

UNITED STATES SPORTS ACADEMY

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HAGERSTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

This ARTICULATION AGREEMENT is made this 15th day of August two thousand and sixteen between:

HAGERSTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE (hereinafter called **HCC**) whose legal address is 11400 Robinwood Drive, Hagerstown, MD 21742-6514, United States of America, and the **UNITED STATES SPORTS ACADEMY** (hereinafter called **USSA**), a not-for-profit university organized under the laws of the State of Alabama in the United States of America and whose legal address is One Academy Drive; Daphne, AL 36526; United States of America.

WHEREAS:

1.00 **HCC** is a recognized postsecondary institution engaged in the educational preparation of students for careers in sport-related professions and offering an accredited Associate's Degree, and;

2.00 **HCC** is also engaged in the administration of sport education programs in the disciplines of sports and related fields such as sports management, physical education, and the like in the promotion of its stated mission, and;

3.00 **HCC** is engaged in various ancillary and support curricula in the many disciplines.

4.00 **USSA** is a special mission institution of higher learning accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097; Telephone number 404-679-4501) to award the Master of Sports Science degree (Level III) the Doctor of Education degree (Level V) and the Bachelor of Sports Science degree (Level II).

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that this ARTICULATION AGREEMENT between **HCC** and **USSA** shall be established for the promotion of sport education in the respective institutions through a cooperative program in curriculum.

ELEMENTS OF COOPERATION STIPULATED

USSA is willing to provide the following education services and otherwise use its good offices to support the mission of **HCC** in the following ways:

1.0 *USSA* shall admit, with junior standing and the opportunity to complete the bachelor's degree in four semesters of online coursework with *USSA*, qualified students graduating from *HCC* into its Bachelor of Sports Science Degree Program. This degree program offers majors in Sports Coaching, Sports Management, Sports Strength and Conditioning, and Sports Studies. Qualified students will have been awarded an AA, AS, or AAS degree by *HCC* and graduate with a G.P.A. of 2.0 or higher.

1.1 Qualified students will also have at least 60 transferable (non-remedial) college semester hours; at least 30 of those hours must be General Education Core (GEC) classes as listed below:

- *English (minimum 6 semester hours)
- *Humanities and Fine Arts (minimum 6 semester hours)
- *Natural Science (minimum 6 semester hours)
- *Social and Behavioral Sciences (minimum 6 semester hours)
- *Math (minimum 3 semester hours)
- *Computer Science (minimum 3 semester hours)

1.2 Students deficient in the GEC but who have earned an Associate's degree will be admitted as "Conditional Students" and must complete the GEC requirements prior to the mentorship experience (the culminating experience).

2.00 The application fee will be waived for any student graduating with an AA, AS or AAS degree from *HCC* into the Academy's BSS Program.

3.00 Students on financial aid who do not start the course in the first two weeks following registration will be dropped from *USSA*'s programs and the federal funds returned to the government.

4.00 *USSA* shall be pleased to invite qualified faculty from *HCC* to become members of *USSA*'s National Faculty with permission of the administration of *HCC*. National Faculty members have the opportunity to go on international assignment to deliver short-term seminars. *HCC* Faculty are also invited to submit articles to *USSA* publications such as The Sports Journal (a referred journal) and The Sports Supplement. The Sports Journal has a readership of over 1.5 million

5.00 *USSA* will work with *HCC* in any and all programs in the development of sports related curricula, which are mutually acceptable to both institutions.

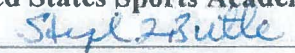
6.00 Faculty and staff personnel of *USSA* and *HCC* will work together cooperatively and collaboratively to address issues relative to students covered by this agreement.

CONCLUSION

Each party to this ARTICULATION AGREEMENT shall seek the implementation of the various services detailed herein within the calendar year of execution and shall designate a campus coordinator to facilitate the efforts of their respective organizations for the implementation of the provisions of this ARTICULATION AGREEMENT.

This ARTICULATION AGREEMENT between the parties hereto is executed on the date first mentioned above by:

For: **Hagerstown Community College**
By: 
Articulation Officer

United States Sports Academy
By: 
Stephen L. Butler, Ed.D.
Chief Academic Officer

By: 
Articulation Officer