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**Memorandum of Agreement
Cooperative Admission Program Between
Nicholls State University and Fletcher Technical Community College**

Nicholls State University (Nicholls) and Fletcher Technical Community College (Fletcher), in order to establish a cooperative arrangement which offers access to all students who desire to pursue a college education, agree to provide seamless admission to Fletcher for applicants who are not eligible for immediate admission to Nicholls and to Nicholls for those students from Fletcher who are eligible for admission as a transfer student.

Applicants to Nicholls who are not eligible for immediate admission will be admitted to Fletcher without completing additional application forms and without paying additional application fees.

For its part, Nicholls will:

- a) With the permission of the participant, provide Fletcher with all application materials for the participant.
- b) Encourage program participants to pursue their educational goals and to transfer to Nicholls upon completing their educational goals at Fletcher and upon attaining eligibility as a transfer student. To be admitted under transfer status to Nicholls, a student must have accumulated at least 12 hours of college credit with a 2.0 grade point average, must not need more than one developmental course, and must be academically eligible to return to Fletcher.
- c) Waive the admission application fee for those Fletcher students who return to Nicholls. Those applicants who are denied admission to Nicholls for a given semester and attend Fletcher that same semester will not be required to pay an additional application fee upon returning to Nicholls provided there is no break in enrollment.
- d) Provide admission counselors and advisors to program participants. Counselors and advisors will be available through phone and on-line consultation, as well as through on-site appointments.

For its part, Fletcher will:

- a) Process admission applications provided by Nicholls.
- b) Waive the admission application fee.
- c) Encourage program participants to pursue their educational goals and to transfer to Nicholls upon completing their educational goals at Fletcher and upon attaining eligibility as a transfer student. To be admitted under transfer status to Nicholls, a student must have accumulated at least 12 hours of college credit with a 2.0 grade point average, must not need more than one developmental course, and must be academically eligible to return to Fletcher.
- d) Provide admission counselors and advisors to program participants. Counselors and advisors will be available through phone and on-site appointments. Counselors and advisors at Fletcher will not be available through on-line consultations at this time. However, counselors and advisors may be contacted by email.

Students of Fletcher who declare their intent to pursue a degree at Nicholls will be:

- a) **Required to complete the "Intent to Participate" form (see attachment). The "Intent to Participate" form establishes the student's desire to pursue a degree program at Nicholls.**
- b) **Pre-admitted to Nicholls. Formal admission must occur within five years of the completion and signing of the "Intent to Participate" form and is predicated upon the accumulation of at least 12 hours of college credit with a 2.0 grade point average, the need for no more than one developmental course, and the academic eligibility to return to Fletcher.**
- c) **Admitted to Nicholls using the catalog of record coinciding with the date of declaration of a major on the "Intent to Participate" form. University policy allows a student seven years to graduate under the catalog of record, even though the student has made a change in curriculum or has had a break in college attendance.**

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For its part, Fletcher will:

- a) Provide Nicholls with all application materials, transcripts, and grades for the participant, including the "Intent to Participate" form. The participant's signature on the "Intent to Participate" form allows the release of the participant's application materials, transcripts, and grades between institutions throughout the term of the signed agreement.
- b) With permission of the participant, provide Nicholls with the participant's transcript each semester to facilitate the recording of student data at Nicholls and allow for appropriate advising.
- c) Encourage program participants to pursue their educational goals and to transfer to Nicholls upon completing their educational goals at Fletcher and attaining eligibility as a transfer student.
- d) Provide admission counselors and advisors to program participants. Counselors and advisors will be available through phone and on-site appointments. Counselors and advisors at Fletcher will not be available through on-line consultations at this time. However, counselors and advisors may be contacted by email.
- e) Meet periodically with Nicholls representatives to assess program effectiveness.
- f) Form a committee to meet yearly with Nicholls representatives to review catalog changes.

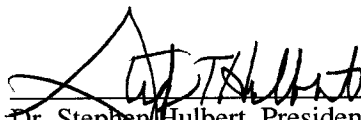
For its part, Nicholls will:

- a) Process admission applications provided by Fletcher.
- b) Provide admission counselors and advisors to program participants. Counselors and advisors will be available through phone and on-line consultation, as well as through on-site appointments.
- c) Maintain records and track program participants.
- d) Meet periodically with Fletcher representatives to assess program effectiveness.
- e) Form a committee to meet yearly with Fletcher representatives to review catalog changes.

Miscellaneous points:

1. Nicholls State University and Fletcher Technical Community College enter into this agreement in a joint effort to provide post-secondary educational opportunities for all Louisiana students and to facilitate transferability between two and four year institutions.
2. This agreement is effective upon signing. Either party may terminate the agreement through a written notice of intent. Should the agreement be discontinued, students who declared their intent to participate will be allowed to complete the enrollment and transfer process in accordance with the agreement in place at the time.
3. Both parties will periodically assess the program for effectiveness and impact and share the outcome of that assessment for planning purposes.
4. Changes to this agreement may be made at any time, with the express agreement of the chief academic officers of each campus.

For Nicholls State University




Dr. Stephen Hulbert, President

11/10/08

Date

For Fletcher Technical Community College



F. Travis Lavigne, Jr., Chancellor

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Date