

Century College
and Metropolitan State University
First College
Cooperative Agreement Regarding
Competence Based Education Program

This agreement has been entered into by Century College and Metropolitan State University (First College) for the benefit of students and prospective students at the two institutions. The purpose of the agreement is to insure programs of high academic quality, to encourage student achievement, to facilitate the transfer of course credits and to provide a smooth transition from one related degree program to the other.

Joint Admission

Students may be jointly admitted to both institutions. With joint admissions, students:

1. are guaranteed a place in Metropolitan State University's First College, upon transfer from The Century College CBE Program;
2. can concurrently enroll in courses at both institutions;
3. can apply appropriate lower division credits, including those awarded through Competence Based Education, with a grade of better than "D" (or the equivalent), toward Metropolitan State University degree requirements;
4. will have access to program advisors at both institutions; and
5. will have any other rights and privileges of students at both institutions and will be sent mailings from both institutions.

Program Articulation

1. For graduation, students will need to complete a total of 124 semester credits including at least 40 upper division semester credits. A minimum of 30 semester credits must be completed while at Metropolitan State University.
2. The courses required for the CBE Program at Century College and their relationship to Metro State requirements are listed in Attachment A.
3. Students with an Associate of Arts degree from a MnSCU institution or students who have completed the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum do not have to complete any additional general education requirements at Metropolitan State University.
4. Community college courses will be accepted toward meeting Metropolitan State University general education requirements consistent with Attachment A. Attachment A also includes recommendations for general education curriculum at the community college.

Other Cooperative Agreements

1. Faculty at both institutions will cooperate in scheduling course offerings in a convenient, flexible manner. The resources of both institutions, including faculty and space, will be used in a manner that enhances the educational opportunities available to students.
2. When appropriate, each institution will offer jointly sponsored courses -- courses taught by faculty from one institution but listed in the schedules of both institutions.
3. Unless otherwise arranged, any tuition, fees, and state appropriation will be paid to the institution from which the student takes a course.
4. Both institutions will work together to develop registration and financial aid procedures to facilitate concurrent enrollment of students.
5. At the end of each semester, each institution will forward to the other institution copies of transcripts from students in this program.
6. Both institutions will inform potential students about this program through their catalogs and a program brochure to be jointly developed.

Duration of Agreement

This agreement becomes effective upon the date it is signed and remains in effect until terminated by either party. It may be terminated or amended for succeeding academic years by either institution on or before June 30 of each year.

Persons Responsible/Evaluation

The dean of the First College at Metropolitan State University and the CBE Director at Century College will be responsible for implementing this articulation agreement. Each institution will conduct an outcomes assessment, and the persons responsible will meet regularly to review the agreements.

Metropolitan State University

Century College

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President

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President

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Dean

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Metropolitan State University First College
and Century College
Program Articulation Agreement
CBE Program

The following includes specific requirements for admission into a program and outlines the requirements for Metropolitan State University's First College and indicates the Century College courses that can be used to meet: 1) program prerequisites, 2) general education and liberal studies requirements, and 3) major or program requirements.

Century College Courses

Admissions Requirements

Reading, Writing and Math Placement tests required after seven credits are completed

General Education/Liberal Studies Requirements

General Education requirements including Minnesota Transfer Curriculum requirements

Program Requirements

Metropolitan State University Courses

Reading, Writing and Math Assessment

Students complete 40 credits in the categories listed below. Credits previously completed in these categories at Century Community College will count toward the 40 credit total

Communications

Two writing courses.
One oral/visual communications course required.

Math

Students must demonstrate college algebra proficiency by completing a course at or above the level of College Algebra or by placing above College Algebra on the Mathematics assessment test.

Arts and Sciences

One Natural or Physical Science course required.
Two courses in Social/Behavior Science required (2 different disciplines)
Two courses in Humanities required (2 different disciplines)

Electives

Additional general education credits as needed to total 40 semester credits

Cultural and Global Awareness

At least one course in cultural diversity in the United States and one additional course in global awareness. These courses may also be used to meet other general education, liberal studies and/or major requirements

Liberal Studies Requirements

Eight upper division semester credits (junior-senior level 300-400 courses) in any of the categories previously listed under General Educaiton

Total -- 48 credits

Program Requirements

All credits taken toward the AA, AAS, or AS degrees accepted. CBE credits accepted at Century College will be accepted at Metropolitan State University

First College Courses: Perspectives:
Educational Philosophy and Planning - 4 cr.
Capstone Course (final program integrative course) - 4 cr.

Total of 32-48 semester credits in focus area or areas depending on student's educational goals. Additional elective courses based on student's interests and goals to total 124 semester credits needed for graduation.