MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

Building on the North Carolina Comprehensive Articulation Agreement (CAA), the Program will allow currently enrolled SCC students a direct-entry pathway to WCU available upon graduation from SCC. Students in the Program who satisfy the following conditions are guaranteed admission to Western Carolina University as outlined in the agreement (i.e., assures admission to the university but not to a specific program of study; some programs have their own programmatic application processes and/or admission criteria):

- Be a currently enrolled student at SCC in a degree-seeking capacity;
- Submit WCU application for admission and records by WCU deadlines;
- Submit application fee or waiver and fulfill all commitment actions steps;
- Be in good standing at SCC and other institutions attended;
- Demonstrate good citizenship and conduct;
- Earn and maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 at SCC and a minimum GPA of 2.20 in their most recent term; and
- Earn an Associate's Degree from SCC in a college transfer program or in an applied program for which an articulation agreement exists.
- Enroll at WCU within one academic year (within the next two regular terms (fall/spring semesters) of completion of the Associate's Degree).

While enrolled at SCC, students will identify their interest in the Program by completing a brief, online form provided by the WCU Transfer Counselor. There is no Program participation fee (Program participants must complete an application for admission and submit the nonrefundable application fee. Go to <u>applicationfeewaiver.wcu.edu</u> for details about application fee waiver policies and procedures).

- Disseminating information about the Program to members of the WCU campus community;
- Providing representatives assigned to administer the Program; and
- Disseminating information about the Program to candidates for admission who are not offered admission directly to WCU about the possibility to participate in the Program as a student at SCC.

IV. NOTICE

The Parties designate the following individual(s) to administer and oversee the Program on behalf of his or her Party.

- A. For SCC: Coordinator, University Transfer Advising Center
- B. For WCU: <u>Director, Undergraduate Admissions</u>

V. TERM AND TERMINATION

The term of this MOU shall be for a period of two (2) years beginning on the date that it is fully executed by all parties ("Term"). The MOU may be renewed for additional two (2) year terms upon the mutual written consent of the Parties.

Either Party may, for any reason, terminate this MOU with sixty (60) days prior written notice to the other Party. If the MOU is terminated, SCC students who had submitted a transfer application prior to the termination date will still be eligible to participate in the Prago 0 0 50 00 12.5.0BT 2.

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or representation as to any matter. Neither Party shall be bound by the acts or conduct of the other Party. Neither Party, nor any other person performing services on behalf of such Party pursuant to this MOU, shall have any right or claim against the other party for Social Security benefits, workers' compensation benefits, disability benefits, unemployment insurance benefits, health insurance benefits, paid time off, or any other employee benefit.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have ex	ecuted this MOU as of the last written date	below.
Southwestern Community College Don Tomas, President	 Date	
Western Carolina University Kelli R. Brown, Chancellor	 Date	