ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Between The District Board of Trustees of Valencia College, Florida and Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University

WHEREAS, this agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") dated August 1, 2011 establishes a Transfer Program (hereinafter referred to as the "Program") in which an undergraduate student will attain an Associate's degree from The District Board of Trustees of Valencia College, Florida (hereinafter referred to as "Valencia") and then transfer to a Bachelor's degree program at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University Board of Trustees (hereinafter referred to as "FAMU") (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Parties"). After completing the academic requirements of the two participating institutions, the students will have earned an Associate's degree from Valencia and a Bachelor's degree from FAMU.

§ 1. Program of Study

- §1.1 Participating students shall complete the following at Valencia:
 - An Associate's degree

FAMU will evaluate and transcript credit for courses completed at Valencia in which the student has earned a grade of "C" or better. No credit will be recognized for coursework with a grade less than "C."

- §1.2 All courses designated within the general education component of the Valencia degree will fully transfer to the general education component and/or the general elective component of FAMU's Bachelor degree programs. The student's entire degree will be accepted towards the general education component and/or general elective component of FAMU Bachelor degree program. Any additional FAMU general education requirements will be identified and evaluated in advance to establish whether the new requirements can be fulfilled by Valencia courses.
- §1.3 Participating students will be required to complete at FAMU, a program of study, which equals approximately the number of hours required in the junior and senior years of the degree program being sought. Students who successfully complete the aforementioned Valencia Associates degree program will need to complete -FAMU credit hours of additional coursework in order to satisfy all the degree requirements associated with FAMU's Bachelor degree program.
- §1.4 The total Program shall satisfy all requirements for the degrees sought at Valencia and FAMU.

§2. Admission

- §2.1 Valencia is an open-admissions institution that assesses the holders of a high school diploma (or equivalent) wishing to enter the Program and places them into courses on the basis of their academic background and demonstrated experience in specific courses.
- §2.2 In order to be admitted to FAMU in a program of study a student must:
 - complete one of the programs of study
 - submit application materials for evaluation at FAMU
 - meet the requirements for admission to FAMU and the applicable program and be accepted at FAMU, and
 - attain the same minimum overall Grade Point Average as all other transfers to the FAMU degree programs,.

§3. Program Management and Reporting

- §3.1 So as to assure the admission and academic success of participating students, FAMU and Valencia agree to develop, maintain, and improve, as necessary, a Program management and reporting system.
- §3.2 Each institution will:
 - Publicize the Agreement and Program among its students and faculty.
 - Coordinate activities, monitor student progress, and evaluate and improve the Program as necessary.
 - List the Program in the appropriate publications and Web sites of the institution.
 - Exchange regularly updated copies of their general catalogs and any other publications, which may be helpful in advising students.
 - Provide timely information about significant changes in the Program and programs of study that relate to the preparation of participating students.
 - Provide any other information that may be helpful with monitoring and supporting the academic success of participating Program students.

§3.3 Valencia will:

- Provide the opportunity for FAMU to participate in Valencia's annual College Night.
- Provide FAMU admission requirement information to all prospective Valencia-FAMU transfer students.

• Provide the opportunity for FAMUstaff to make a 10 -minute presentation at a Dean of Students staff meeting on each Valencia campus once per year.

§3.4 FAMU will:

- A key obligation of FAMU under this Agreement is to provide matriculation data to Valencia. Within ninety (90) days of the execution of this Agreement, FAMU shall provide to Valencia's Assistant Vice President of Curriculum and Articulation the most recent FAMU report detailing the number of Valencia students that matriculate at FAMU and the program areas in which these students matriculate. FAMU shall provide Valencia's Assistant Vice President of Curriculum and Articulation with updated reports as they become available.
- Offer scholarships to eligible Valencia graduates determined by Cumulative Grade Point Average:

CUMULATIVE GPA	ANNUAL AWARD
2.50 – 2.74	\$1,500
2.75 – 3.00	\$2,000
3.01 – 3.49	\$3,000
3.50 – 3.99 or PTK	\$4,000
4.0	\$5,000

§3.5 Each institution will assess the Program annually in collaboration with participating faculty, advisors, and students to improve the Program as needed. A report of the assessment and recommendations for improvement will be provided to the Interim Vice President of Student Affairs at FAMU and the Assistant Vice President of Curriculum and Articulation at Valencia.

§4. Term/Termination/Modification

- §4.1 The effective date of this Agreement shall be August 1, 2011 and shall continue for a period of four (4) years through July 30, 2015 in accordance with the provisions stated above. This Agreement may be extended or renewed upon written agreement of the Parties.
- §4.2 This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon written notice to the other party given at least thirty (30) days in advance of the Termination date. However, it is understood and agreed that any student participating in the Valencia degree programs identified in section 1 specifically tracked for admission to FAMU or already admitted to FAMU due to this Agreement will be allowed to complete the Program, notwithstanding the termination provisions above, so long as the student remains in good academic standing and is making measured progress towards completion of a degree program. A student who satisfies these requirements will continue to receive the full benefit of any

scholarship(s) awarded pursuant to § 3.4 of this Agreement, notwithstanding the termination of the Agreement, provided that the scholarship(s) was awarded prior to the date of the written notice of termination required by this section.

§4.3 This Agreement is subject to change or modification by mutual written consent between the Parties hereto. It is understood and agreed, however, that this Agreement may be modified unilaterally by FAMU as may be necessary to bring it within the purview of and in accord with the directives of the President of FAMU, and the policies and regulations of FAMU. However, it is understood and agreed that no such modifications shall negate the participation of any student participating in the Valencia degree programs identified in section 1 of this Agreement specifically tracked for admission to FAMU or already admitted to FAMU so long as the student remains in good academic standing and is making measured progress towards completion of a degree program.

This Agreement is subject to change by legislative action and action of State University or College governing bodies or external accrediting agencies.

This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding and agreement of the parties in connection with the subject matter hereof and supersedes any and all prior and contemporaneous agreements between the parties whether written or oral.

In Witness Whereof, the parties have caused this Articulation Agreement to be signed as follows:

AGREED:

THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF VALENCIA COLLEGE, FLORIDA

By:

Dr. Sanford C./Shugart

President

FLORIDA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By:

Dr. James H. Ammons

President

Date

Approved as to form.

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FAMU Attorney 5 1 Date