National American University and Cowley College and Career and Technical Education Center agree to recognize and formalize a collaborative degree completion program on the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement.

National American University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, and is authorized to offer baccalaureate degree programs on an academic quarter system.

Cowley College and Career and Technical Education Center is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and is authorized to offer associate degree programs on an academic semester system.

Both institutions periodically review their academic programs and courses, student support services, and learning resources.

To allow students to transfer credits earned at Cowley College and Career and Technical Education Center to National American University with a minimum of delay and disruption in their educational process, the parties agree as follows:

1. Articulation. National American University will admit graduates of Cowley College and Career and Technical Education Center's associate degree programs into the Bachelor of Science degree programs listed in its undergraduate catalog, subject to university policies and procedures. Available programs include the following:

   • The Bachelor of Science in Management program is designed for individuals with degrees, diplomas, or certificates in specialty areas, such as merchandising, dental hygiene, electronics, medical assisting, drafting, welding, or other vocational areas. A minimum of 27 credit hours in one specialty area is required to complete this program. Combined with business and general education courses, this degree prepares graduates for advancement in management areas associated with their specialty field.

   • The Bachelor of Science in Information Technology program is designed to provide the flexibility to integrate specialized technology and skills into a customized information technology program. It is intended for individuals with degrees, diplomas, certificates or certifications in specialty areas, such as information technology, computer science, programming, networks, computer-aided design and database, and other related areas. A minimum of 27 credit hours in one specialty area is required to complete this program. This degree prepares graduates for advancement in management or technical areas associated with their specialty field.

In each of these programs, students have the option to: (1) transfer credit from the source of the specialty training, or (2) create a specialty area using approved National American University courses.

Students who have earned an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree from a regionally accredited community college are eligible for transfer of at least 60 semester credits (90 quarter credits) into the National American University Bachelor of Science in Management and Bachelor of Science in Information Technology programs. Additional credits may be accepted on a course by course basis.

Students who have earned an Associate of Arts (AA) degree from a regionally accredited community college are eligible for transfer of 42 semester credits (63 quarter credits) into National American University's Bachelor of Science degree programs. Thirty-six (36) of these semester credits must be successfully completed in general education, including Composition II and College Algebra. Additional credits may be accepted on a course by course basis.
The university's residency requirements for the major and emphasis cores of the Bachelor of Science degree programs are listed on the Bachelor of Science program status sheets. The final 54 credits must be taken in residence at National American University. Non-traditional credit does not apply to the residency requirement.

2. **Block Transfer Policy.** (a) National American University’s block transfer policy (General Education Equivalency) applies to all bachelor’s degree programs with the exception of the following: Nursing and the Management program offered in Kansas. All transfer course work must be college level (1000-level or above).

(b) Block transfer does not apply to students attending Minnesota or Texas campuses. If students were eligible for block transfer on enrollment, a subsequent change of degree program request will initiate the reevaluation of eligibility for block transfer in the new degree program.

(c) Students who have earned a bachelor’s or associate degree, regardless of the type, with the equivalent of at least 50 quarter credit hours of general education courses, meet the requirements for National American University’s general education core area available for block transfer.

(d) Students who have earned an Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS), Associate of Applied Science (AAS), Associate of General Studies degree or a technical Bachelor of Applied Science degree from an accredited institution may be eligible for block transfer in the university’s Bachelor of Science in Management and Bachelor of Science in Information Technology degree programs if sufficient transfer credits are available.

3. **Term.** The term of this agreement shall commence on the effective date indicated on the first page. This agreement may be terminated by either party’s providing to the other party at least ninety (90) days’ written notice of its intent to terminate.

4. **Continuing Duties.** Upon termination of this agreement, National American University will continue to perform the duties and responsibilities set forth above for any student who has commenced a Bachelor of Science degree program but not completed it at the termination date.

5. **Amendment.** This agreement may be amended by a written document signed by both parties.

Signed in duplicate on the date(s) set forth below.

Date: 12/7/12

**NATIONAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY**

By: [Signature]

Dr. Ronald Shape
Chief Executive Officer

By: [Signature]

Dr. Samuel D. Kerr
Provost

Date: 12/13/12

**COWLEY COLLEGE AND CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION CENTER**

By: [Signature]

Pat McAtee, President

By: [Signature]

Slade Griffiths, Vice President of Academic Affairs

Each institution should retain one signed original.

Return one signed original to National American University’s Associate Provost.