AGREEMENT BETWEEN HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND

SAINT PETER'S UNIVERSITY
FOR IMPLEMENTING A DUAL ADMISSIONS PROGRAM
FOR STUDENTS SEEKING A B.A. OR B.S. DEGREE
IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE (BA)
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (BA)
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (BA)
ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES (BS) AND ACCOUNTANCY (BS)

This dual admissions program agreement ("Agreement") is entered into as of the date of the last signing party below ("Effective Date") by and between Hudson County Community College ("HCCC") and Saint Peter's University ("SPU").

HCCC and SPU desire to implement a program, as set forth below, that will afford qualifying HCCC students, who otherwise meet SPU's admissions requirements, to be seamlessly admitted with full junior status into the corresponding program at SPU (either full-time day, full-time evening or part-time evening, with an opportunity to complete a bachelor's degree in one of the following programs within the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Education or School of Business Administration (1) Criminal Justice; (2) Business Administration, (3) Elementary Education, (4) Environmental Studies, (5) Accountancy or within the School of Professional and Continuing Studies: (1) Criminal Justice; (2) Business Administration; (3) Elementary Education; or (4) Accountancy. (each a "Qualifying Program" and, collectively, the "Qualifying Programs").

The parties hereby agree as follows:

- 1. Any HCCC student who earns an A.A. or A.S. degree in a Qualifying Program and otherwise meets SPU's respective admissions requirements to the program, will: (i) be admitted to SPU's corresponding Qualifying Program, (ii) be granted full junior status, and (iii) will be conferred a B.A. or B.S., as appropriate, upon completion of the degree requirements for the Qualifying Program and fulfilling the University's requirements for conferring of degree.
- 2. Any HCCC student enrolled in a Qualifying Program may apply for entry into this dual admissions program with SPU ("Program") at any time prior to the beginning of the semester in which the student graduates from HCCC.
- 3. Any HCCC student enrolled in the Program will be held to the same academic standard as any other SPU student upon enrollment at SPU.
- 4. To be eligible for the Program, HCCC students must be in good academic standing and working successfully towards graduation. Admission requirements at SPU include in general: a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 or better. Additional admission criteria are as

- follows: (1) completed application; (2) receipt of official college transcript(s) from all colleges/universities attended; (3) personal statement; (4) letter of recommendation; (5) good disciplinary record. Students may also need to meet specific Qualifying Program requirements.
- 5. Should HCCC candidates not meet the above criteria or fail to make successful progress toward graduation, SPU will commit to reviewing students for general admission as per general A.A. and A.S. degree completion transfer agreements in place.
- 6. In assessing each student's records, full faith and credit will be granted to each institution's academic transcript, at least to the extent of such courses set forth in any attachment to this Agreement or as otherwise agreed to as between the parties. Students presenting additional transcripts and coursework to meet SPU Bachelor program curriculum requirements will be evaluated at the point of admission for additional credit to meet introductory and/or upper level coursework.
- 7. SPU admission and financial aid representatives will coordinate with its HCCC counterparts to advise any student enrolled in the Program. Students participating in the Program will be eligible for any current scholarship/grant program associated with transferring to SPU. HCCC students will be considered for HCCC Foundation Scholarship in addition to any SPU merit money awarded.
- 8. HCCC Office of Admission will publish an application for admission to the Program subject to SPU's prior written review and approval (the "Application").
- 9. An HCCC student will submit the Application to a transfer counselor at HCCC who will forward it to the SPU Office of Admissions for immediate consideration.
- 10. SPU will waive the Application fee for any HCCC student who applies to the Program.
- 11. Upon SPU's acceptance of the HCCC student's Application, SPU will issue an acceptance letter welcoming students and outlining the parameters and guarantees of the Program, including but not limited to student's obligations to remain eligible for the Program.
- 12. HCCC will maintain records for its students enrolled in the Program and will provide SPU, at no cost to SPU, with copies of student transcripts on or about February 1st for students intending to enroll in the fall term of that year, and by October 1st for students intending to enroll in the spring term of the following year.
- 13. HCCC will send a final official student transcript to the SPU Dean of Undergraduate Admissions following completion of HCCC A.A. or A.S. program. Transcripts will be received at SPU within 30 days of the start of the enrolling term.
- 14. HCCC will provide SPU graduation lists of Winter, Spring and Summer graduates, or potential graduates for said terms no later than December 1st, April 1st and August 1st

- (respectively). SPU will use graduation lists for marketing and communication with graduating students and will honor "opt out" requests of students, ceasing further communication.
- 15. On at least an annual basis, SPU will provide HCCC, at no cost to HCCC, aggregate, anonymized data on retention and graduation rates for students enrolled in the Program.
- 16. Subject to the time limits set forth in paragraph 17, immediately below, SPU will not change its graduation requirements for a B.A. or B.S., as appropriate, in the Qualifying Programs for any HCCC student who participates in the Program.
- 17. An HCCC graduate enrolled in the Program matriculating at SPU within four years of the student's first enrollment in an HCCC course covered by this Agreement will fall under the SPU undergraduate degree requirements in force at the time of such initial enrollment at HCCC. HCCC graduates enrolled in the Program who matriculate at SPU more than four years after such initial enrollment must fulfill the SPU undergraduate degree requirements in force at the time of such matriculation.
- 18. SPU will grant students the equivalent of junior status (typically minimum 60 credits) and additional credits will be evaluated for application degree completion at the point of admission.
- 19. HCCC and SPU will each, at their sole expense, promote and publicize the Program in appropriate publications and at appropriate forums. The respective Marketing Offices, or those offices charged with managing enrollment and admission material, will coordinate message and share materials for final approval prior to release.
- 20. HCCC will designate articulation liaisons who will each have a direct relationship with the cognate program, department chairperson or College Dean at SPU.
- 21. Each HCCC student enrolled in the Program will be assigned an advisor from both SPU and HCCC. The advisor's role will be to guide the student through academic course offerings and requirements as well as to keep the student informed through the application, admission and enrollment processes.
- 22. The designated SPU advisor will take residence (minimum 10 hours/week) in an appropriately located office so as to provide counseling (within the regulations of FERPA) and advising to prospective Program students. HCCC will provide an email address, telephone support and other relative services to meet HCCC Program student needs. SPU will provide office supplies including computer, and printer to run the office.
- 23. The parties will notify each other of any curricular changes in any of the Qualifying Program.
- 24. The Agreement shall continue for an initial period of three (3) years from the Effective Date April 1, 2015 and shall thereafter renew automatically for additional one (1) year periods

(each a "Renewal Period") unless either party gives written notice of its intention not to renew to the other party at least 120 days prior to the expiration of the Initial Period or of the then-current Renewal Period.

25. This Agreement represents the entire agreement between parties with respect to the Program and each has caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized representatives. All negotiations, oral agreements, and understandings are merged herein and any modification in the terms must be made in writing and signed by all parties.

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