PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE
BELLEVILLE, IL

AND

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY CARBONDALE
CARBONDALE, IL

In an effort to provide a continued, articulated higher education baccalaureate degree program that will build on community college and university learning experiences, and also eliminate duplication of instruction, this agreement is entered into this 1st day of August, 2018 (Effective Date) by and between Southwestern Illinois College and the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University on behalf of Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

I. TERM AND TERMINATION

A. Term. This Agreement shall commence as of the Effective Date (or if no Effective Date is indicated upon the date the Agreement is fully executed by the Parties) and shall remain in effect for a period of five (5) years thereafter. The Parties may renew or extend this Agreement only by written instrument signed by the authorized representatives of each Party.

B. Termination. This Agreement may be terminated by either Party, with or without cause, upon 60 days advance written notice. The Parties agree that no additional students shall be accepted into the program after a Party’s receipt of any written notice of termination. No qualified student then-enrolled in the program shall be deprived the opportunity to complete the program requirements solely due to termination.

II. TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS

A. All graduates of Southwestern Illinois College with an Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree and meeting SIU Carbondale admission requirements will be considered for admission into SIU Carbondale’s Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in Economics (ECON) in the College of Liberal Arts based upon the Department’s enrollment criteria and space availability.
B. A Southwestern Illinois College graduate receiving an A.A. degree and following the degree plan attached to this agreement, will be considered for admission to SIU Carbondale’s Economics (ECON) program if the following are met:

1. The student has earned a minimum of 60 semester hours transferable to SIU Carbondale
2. The student has earned an overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or above (4.0 scale) for his or her collegiate work as calculated by SIU Carbondale’s grading regulations
3. Confirmation by the SIU Carbondale College of Liberal Arts that the student has satisfactorily completed the following courses as part of the A.A. degree at Southwestern Illinois College:

- ENG 101: Rhetoric and Composition I
- ENG 102: Rhetoric and Composition II
- SPCH 151: Fundamentals of Public Speaking
- ECON 201: Principles of Economics I (Macro)
- ECON 202: Principles of Economics II (Micro)
- BUS 205: Economic & Business Statistics
- IAI Humanities Elective
- IAI Humanities or Fine Arts Elective
- IAI Fine Arts Elective
- IAI Life Science Elective
- IAI Physical Science
- Human Well-Being Elective
- Foreign Language 101
- Foreign Language 102
- IAI Behavioral Sciences Elective
- IAI Humanities/Social Science/Behavioral Science Elective
- Electives

C. Southwestern Illinois College students transferring to the Economics (ECON) baccalaureate degree program at SIU Carbondale who have not completed all of his or her Associate in Arts degree requirements at Southwestern Illinois College will have their related coursework evaluated on a course-by-course basis by the appropriate SIU Carbondale department.

D. Students will be required to complete a minimum of 42 senior institution hours at the 300-400 course level, with the last 30 such senior institution hours being at SIU Carbondale for residency purposes. Those students enrolled in an approved
program delivered by SIU Carbondale Extended Campus will have completed the residency requirement for the University upon completion of all courses required by the program. All students will be required to complete at least 120 hours with an overall GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale to receive a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics (ECON). Coursework may include University Core Curriculum as well as Economics (ECON) major courses.

III. COURSE DELIVERY

A. Delivery of courses and programs will be based on mutual agreement between the parties (as specified in the SIU Carbondale program) provided there is a minimum class enrollment in each course adequate to meet expenses. Courses with inadequate enrollment may be subject to cancellation, which said cancellation shall be at the sole and absolute discretion of SIU Carbondale. SIU Carbondale shall notify Southwestern Illinois College of any cancellation due to inadequate enrollment.

B. SIU Carbondale will perform registration and advisement counseling as needed to support the courses offered. SIU Carbondale will designate an individual(s) as a concurrent enrollment liaison to work in conjunction with Southwestern Illinois College and students as needed. Advisement about program requirements will be provided by the academic college offering the courses/programs.

C. SIU Carbondale will obtain all permission and approvals necessary to teach these courses in the State of Illinois.

D. SIU Carbondale reserves the right to approve and edit all news releases, advertising and other public announcements and information pieces relating to the performance of this Agreement.

E. This agreement permits students to enroll concurrently at SIU Carbondale and Southwestern Illinois College to complete the degree.

IV. SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE DUTIES: SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FOLLOWING OBLIGATIONS AND CONDITIONS:

A. Subject to federal and state guidelines, Southwestern Illinois College will be considered the home institution for the purpose of processing Financial Aid until such time that the student either graduates or severs ties with Southwestern Illinois College.
B. Designate in writing a person or persons as point of contact between Southwestern Illinois College and SIU Carbondale on all matters relating to the courses delivered.

C. Reserve the right to approve and edit all news releases, advertising and other public announcements and information pieces relating to the performance of this Agreement.

D. Permit students to enroll concurrently at SIU Carbondale and Southwestern Illinois College to complete a degree.

V. PROGRAM ARTICULATION COMMUNICATION

A. An SIU Carbondale College of Liberal Arts, Economics (ECON) representative will communicate periodically with Southwestern Illinois College personnel in the Economics program for general advisement and degree planning purposes.

B. Upon successful completion of all degree requirements, and following all policies and regulations stated in the program and SIU Carbondale guidelines, Southwestern Illinois College students will be eligible to receive the Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics (ECON), College of Liberal Arts, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

C. Should changes occur in course or program content, the institution making the change agrees to notify the other institution in writing so that this agreement can be re-evaluated. Notice of changes shall be given at least 45 days prior to the beginning of the semester when the change is implemented.

D. The Parties acknowledge and agree that the terms of this Agreement will result in the disclosure of personally identifiable information from education records protected from disclosure and re-disclosure by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and its implementing regulations ("FERPA"). Accordingly the Parties agree that any exchange or disclosure between the Parties of personally identifiable information from education records shall be in accordance with FERPA.

E. Indemnification:
   1. To the extent permitted by law and not inconsistent with the doctrine of sovereign immunity, SIU Carbondale shall indemnify and hold harmless Southwestern Illinois College, its agents and employees, from any claims,
demands, or causes of action arising out of the negligent acts or omissions of SIU Carbondale, its agents or employees, in the performance of SIU Carbondale’s obligations under this Agreement.

2. To the extent permitted by law, Southwestern Illinois College shall indemnify and hold harmless SIU Carbondale, its agents and employees, from any claims, demands, or causes of action arising out of negligent acts or omissions of the College, its agents or employees, in the performance of the College’s obligations under this Agreement.

F. Reasonable efforts will be made to resolve problems with student(s) through discussions with the student’s program instructor, supervisor, and SIU Carbondale’s faculty members; however SIU Carbondale reserves the right to remove any student from enrollment at SIU Carbondale upon SIU Carbondale’s determination that the student is unable or unwilling to fulfill the requirements of SIU Carbondale’s educational program and mission, including but not limited to the rules and regulations of Southern Illinois University Carbondale, the policies of the Board of Trustees of SIU Carbondale, and the SIU Carbondale Student Conduct Code. SIU Carbondale shall also have the right to withdraw any student from its education degree program in accordance with its academic requirements, including but not limited to unsatisfactory academic performance and/or social misconduct.

G. Neither party will discriminate against any applicant or student in the nomination, selection, or training because of religion, race, sex, sexual orientation, creed, handicap, national origin, or age.

H. Notices should be mailed to the following addresses by first class mail in order to fulfill any notice or revision of requirements under this Agreement:

For SIU Carbondale: Scott Gilbert, Director of Undergrad Studies
Economics Department
Faner Hall 4145
Southern Illinois University
P: 618-453-5095
Email: gilberts@siu.edu

For Southwestern Illinois College: Amanda Starkey, Transfer Coordinator
Southwestern Illinois College
2500 Carlyle Ave
Belleville, IL 62221
Phone: 618-222-5437
Email: Amanda.Starkey@swic.edu
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement by their duly authorized, respective officers, and by doing so, hereby affirm that the Agreement is enforceable on behalf of and against each party as of the date written herein.

SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE

[Signature]
Dr. Janet Fontenot, Dean of Business Division
Southwestern Illinois College

[Signature]
Clay Baitman, Vice President for Instruction
Southwestern Illinois College

[Signature]
Dr. Georgia Costello, President
Southwestern Illinois College

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

[Signature]
Meera Komaraju, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs for Carlo Montemagno, Chancellor
Southern Illinois University Carbondale

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APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM

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An AA from an accredited Illinois community college satisfies the University Core Curriculum (UCC) requirements.

**College of Liberal Arts Requirements**

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Note: Students must complete one Human Relations and one non-Western culture course. See Southwestern Illinois College Catalog for options.

Total semester hrs completed w/ AA degree: 64

Total semester hrs completed w/ BA degree: 56

Total semester hrs to degree: 120