



AGREEMENT
FOR AN ACADEMIC PARTNERSHIP
between
THE HONORS TRANSFER COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA
and
LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY



PURPOSE

The purpose of this agreement is to strengthen the academic ties between the Participating Community College in HTCC and Loyola Marymount University in order to develop greater curricular continuity between the two institutions; to encourage more well-prepared students to transfer from Participating Community Colleges in HTCC to Loyola Marymount University; and to alleviate the concerns of students about course transferability as they prepare to enroll at Loyola Marymount.

COMMITMENTS

Loyola Marymount University agrees to

1. Grant priority consideration for admission to Loyola Marymount University for those students who meet Loyola Marymount University requirements for transfer, apply to Loyola Marymount University prior to the duly established deadline, and achieve a minimum cumulative grade-point average of 3.25 in a minimum of 30 transferable semester units. Students should be aware that certain majors might be impacted, making admissions into these programs more competitive and limiting the number of students that can be accepted for a given semester.
2. Cooperate in an ongoing manner with the Honors Programs at participating HTCC community colleges to provide their students, on a reasonable basis, with beneficial services such as campus tours of Loyola Marymount University, information workshops, financial aid, scholarship information, transfer counseling, pre-admission advising, and invitations to cultural events.
3. Provide institutional research on the success of Honors Program students in order to facilitate program evaluation.
4. Give admitted students a preliminary evaluation of their transfer credit and their financial aid package within two weeks of admission.
5. Require no deposit or other fees before the transfer credit and financial aid information is available.

Each Participating HTCC Community College agrees to

1. Provide students in its own honors program with information about the requirements for transfer to Loyola Marymount University, so that those students can consider the advantages of selecting classes with the objective of transfer in mind.
2. Provide Loyola Marymount University with the names of those students who have given permission for their information to be shared and who are expected to complete the Honors Program at the Participating Community College so that Loyola Marymount University can contact them and extend to them priority consideration for admission to Loyola Marymount University.
3. Explore, on an ongoing basis, ways that the honors program at the participating community college and Loyola Marymount University can cooperate to the mutual benefit of both programs.

The Honors Transfer Council of California agrees to

1. Require the Chair of Transfer Relations to be continually available in order to facilitate communication among Loyola Marymount University, the HTCC, and HTCC member colleges.
2. Require the Chair of Transfer Relations to annually review the lines of communication and accuracy of the contact information of all parties to this agreement.
3. Require the Chair of Transfer Relations to work with Loyola Marymount University toward the goal of articulating course patterns that would enable HTCC students to fulfill LMU's breadth requirements to the greatest extent possible before transfer.

Signed:

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Date: _____