



## **Concordia University Irvine Transfer Agreement with Honors Transfer Council of California**

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this agreement is to maintain collaboration between Concordia University Irvine (CUI) and members of the Honors Transfer Council of California (HTCC) in order to facilitate the smooth transition, according to standards consistent with the transfer policy of CUI, of exceptional students from member community colleges to CUI for completion of students' bachelor's degrees.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

This agreement includes all member colleges of the HTCC.

### **GOALS**

- Encourage exceptional HTCC honors students to enroll at Concordia University Irvine.
- Assist transfer students in the transition from HTCC honors programs to academic degree programs at Concordia University Irvine.
- Promote student academic preparation and transfer planning.
- Support and promote the value and benefits of community college transfer.
- Expedite baccalaureate degree completion by HTCC honors students.

## **COMMITMENT BY CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY IRVINE**

As part of this agreement, Concordia University Irvine will:

1. Offer campus visits.
2. Consider a transfer applicant's completion of an honors program at an HTCC-member community college to be evidence of enhanced rigor in academic preparation for transfer.
3. Offer Academic Merit Scholarships to students entering CUI with a cumulative college GPA of 2.9 or higher.
4. Offer on-campus housing.
5. With the announcement of admission, provide a preliminary evaluation of transferable credit and progress toward satisfying CUI's general education requirement.
6. Provide orientation for newly enrolled transfer students.
7. Designate admissions liaison to HTCC and member colleges. The initial liaison will be Raschel Greenberg, Articulation Consultant.
8. Maintain a web page with major articulation agreements for regional HTCC colleges.
9. Accept certification of IGETC, CSU, or an A.A. or A.S. degree which meets the CSU General Education Breadth Requirements in partial fulfillment of the CUI General Education requirements with the exception of the Enduring Questions & Ideas (Q&I) Core and Theology course requirements.
10. Offer HTCC students the opportunity to petition to join the CUI Honors Program and arrange for interested HTCC students to meet with the CUI Honors Program Director.

## **COMMITMENT BY PARTICIPATING HTCC COLLEGES**

As part of this agreement, participating HTCC community colleges will:

1. Provide an organized structure for development and offering of honors courses. Such a program will be represented in each member college's governance structure and will be directed or coordinated by a member of the college's instructional faculty.
2. Identify an honors/scholar counselor from each member college to serve as primary liaison between CUI and student members of HTCC honors programs.

3. Work with the Office of Admissions at CUI to ensure the completeness of each applicant's admission file.
4. Encourage periodic review of the transfer curriculum to ensure that it is feasible for its honors students to transfer to CUI. HTCC member colleges will ensure that their eligible honors graduates have (a) fulfilled their college requirements with a GPA of 2.3 or above, and (b) completed the honors program with at least 15 units of an honors curriculum involving intensive writing and critical thinking.
5. Provide students in its own honors program with information about CUI's requirements, so that those students can consider the advantages of selecting classes with the objective of successful transfer through this partnership.

#### **COMMITMENT BY THE HONORS TRANSFER COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA**

1. Require the Chair of Transfer Relations to be continually available in order to facilitate communication among CUI, 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 maintain a landing page for CUI on the HTCC's website to enable students to most effectively search opportunities available at the university.
4. Invite CUI representatives to the annual Honors Transfer Fairs and other events as they arise in order to build relationships among CUI representatives and honors students, honors directors, and honors counselors.

AGREED:

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