

Articulation Agreement

Saint Francis University, Shields School of Business and the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown hereby acknowledge their commitment to the training of future business graduates by joining in this Articulation Agreement.

Under this Articulation Agreement, students who successfully complete the 120 credit hours for business curriculum at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown with a 3.0 QPA or above may apply for admission to the Shields School of Business at Saint Francis University graduate business programs.

Details

- a. The Saint Francis University application fee for business-related graduate programs for Pitt-Johnstown business graduates are waived. The three graduate programs covered by this agreement are the Master of business Administration (MBA), Master of Human Resource Management (MHRM), and Master of Arts in Strategic Leadership programs. Only the MBA program is offered in an accelerated format since all graduate programs require a minimum of thirty credits to graduate.
- b. Any Pitt-Johnstown graduate presenting an official transcript with a 3.0 QPA or higher and two submitted recommendations forms or letters will be accepted in either the MBA or MHRM program.
- c. Qualified and admitted Pitt-Johnstown business graduates will have the nine (9) credit basic core waived if they have a C or higher in each of the three courses (Financial Accounting, Statistics, and Macroeconomics).
- d. Qualified and admitted Pitt-Johnstown business graduates who earned a cumulative 3.0 QPA are permitted to enroll in the accelerated 30 credit MBA program as a 4+1 student. This special entrance accelerated pathway would shave off six additional credits (17%) of graduate work needed for the degree.
- e. Pitt-Johnstown students enrolled in the Human Resource Management concentration, or any other business-related program and meeting the specified requirements for admission to the graduate program are qualified for entrance into our SHRM-approved MHRM program. The program admission requirements include the presentation of an official transcript with a 3.0 or higher QPA and two submitted recommendation forms or letters
- f. All Pitt-Johnstown students would receive white-glove concierge service and advising from our Graduate Business Program Office. This service includes individualized academic planning and related academic advising and career planning services if desired, plus an accelerated educational opportunity in the MBA program. Qualified and admitted students would be approved for the 30-credit accelerated MBA program as opposed to the normal 36 credit program. We also will be available for Pitt-Johnstown campus visits to promote the program and meet with potential candidates.

Additional Considerations

No Third-Party Beneficiaries. None of the benefits or obligations of either party under this Articulation Agreement will be applicable or enforceable by any University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown student or other party.

Modifications. This Articulation Agreement may only be modified or amended by a separate written addendum this is signed by both parties and attached to this Agreement.

Assignment. Neither party shall assign, sell, or otherwise transfer this Articulation Agreement with the prior written consent of the other. Any such purported assignment, sale, or transfer shall be void.

Nondiscrimination.

In performing this agreement, the parties agree not to discriminate based on race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, disability, sex, age, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, genetic information, and veteran status.

The Program shall protect the confidentiality of student records as dictated by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and shall release no information absent written consent of the student unless otherwise permitted to do so in accordance with FERPA or required to do so by law or as dictated by the terms of this Agreement.

Term of Agreement

The term of this Agreement shall be five (5) years from the date of execution. This Agreement may not exceed a period of five (5) years.

The Agreement may be terminated for any reason with ninety (90) day's notice. Either party may terminate this Agreement in the event of a substantial breach.

Should this Articulation Agreement be terminated, any University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown student enrolled in the Program at the date of termination shall be permitted to complete the program to which they are admitted or enrolled.

The addresses to which written notice is to be sent are specified below:

For Saint Francis University, Shields School of Business:

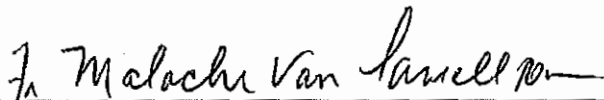
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized representatives of the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date previously indicated.

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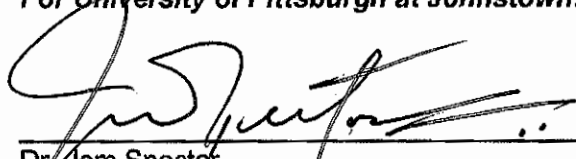


1/30/23

The Very Reverend Malachi Van Tassell, T.O.R., Ph.D.
President, Saint Francis University

Date

For University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown:



4/25/23

Dr. Jem Specter
President, University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown

Date

For the University of Pittsburgh



May 9, 2023

Ann E. Cudd, PhD
Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor

Date