

THE BRIDGE TO HAMPTON UNIVERSITY at VPCC

GUARANTEED ADMISSION AGREEMENT

Virginia Peninsula Community College

AND

Hampton University

Hampton University (HU) and Virginia Peninsula Community College (VPCC) with the establishment of the BRIDGE TO HAMPTON UNIVERSITY program, resolve to adopt a Guaranteed Admission Agreement for students in the Bridge program. Hampton University agrees to provide special opportunities and benefits for VPCC Bridge students to facilitate a smooth transition to the university.

Students who do not meet the terms described in this agreement may apply to Hampton University under the regular transfer admission process and will be considered for admission -- although admission via the normal transfer admission path is not guaranteed.

Dual enrollment students who are enrolled in a transfer associate degree program while enrolled in high school are eligible for admission to Hampton University under the terms of this guaranteed admission agreement. If such students seek admission to Hampton University immediately after high school graduation, these students must apply as new first-year students and will be considered on an equal basis with all other first-year applicants. If such students continue enrollment at VPCC beyond high school graduation, these students will be eligible for admission under this guaranteed agreement after the completion of at least 15 credits.

Credit for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, College Level Examination Program, military training/experience, or other forms of credit for prior learning will be determined based on HU equivalent courses and standards. Specific information is available at the following website: www.hamptonu.edu/admissions/transfer

Bridge to Hampton University Program

The Bridge to Hampton University Program is established exclusively for students from Virginia Peninsula Community College to develop and grow pathways to Hampton University by granting early access to enrollment, support services, and experiences while reducing the time-to-degree for students interested in studying business, engineering, or computer science

The Bridge to Hampton University program is available to VPCC students who:

- (1) Intend to transfer to Hampton University immediately after graduating from VPCC with an associate degree in engineering (chemical or electrical), business, or computer science.
- (2) have earned a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or higher on a four-point

scale as demonstrated on the official VPCC transcript, and

- (3) intend to transfer to Hampton University and declare a major in Electrical or Chemical Engineering, Computer Science, or Business Management

Benefits for Bridge to Hampton University Students

Bridge to Hampton University students who are admitted under this agreement will gain access to the following benefits from Hampton University:

- (1) Hampton University will provide Bridge to Hampton University students with an annual renewable scholarship of \$5000 as long as the student meets the conditions of the scholarship. This opportunity is available in addition to any scholarship or grant funds already offered to the student and is renewable provided that the student meets the conditions for renewal.
- (2) The Transfer Admission Application Fee will be waived.
- (3) Students will be given priority consideration for university transfer housing at Hampton University
- (4) While still enrolled at VPCC, Hampton University will provide Bridge to Hampton University students with early access to HU resources, activities, and facilities including: the University Library, sporting events identified by the Athletic Department and major scholarly events.
- (4) Students will receive administrative assistance with registering for their first semester of courses at Hampton University.
- (5) While still enrolled at VPCC, Hampton University will enroll students in the University 101 online course at no cost. Hampton University will provide Bridge students with information and programming on career exploration, financial literacy, study skills, improved textbook reading, test/exam preparation, and notetaking.

Agreement Conditions

- (1) In order to be eligible for this agreement, students must be accepted into the Bridge to Hampton University program and must be enrolled in an associate degree program in engineering (chemical or electrical), business, or computer science, with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or higher on a four-point scale. Students must submit an official VPCC transcript to the HU Office of Undergraduate Admission
VPCC students will have earned a minimum of 15 credits at VPCC prior to transfer to Hampton University. In addition, students must have earned a grade of "C" or higher in each community college course applicable to their chosen associate degree program.
Students must submit their Letter of Intent prior to application to Hampton University. (Additional information regarding the "Letter of Intent" is available at the following website: www.vpcc.edu/advising/transfer)

Hampton University will guarantee the acceptance of all transferable credits earned from the associate degree programs included in this agreement. VPCC students who complete the transfer associate degree will be guaranteed a minimum of 58 credits and a maximum of 66 credits. At Hampton University, junior standing is defined as 58 earned credits.

Completion of the appropriate degree program will guarantee completion of the Hampton University general education component of the undergraduate curriculum.

VPCC transfer students are strongly encouraged to complete these requirements prior to transferring to HU. The requirements can be met in one of the following ways:

Although we strive to graduate students with no more than 120 earned credits, because of course prerequisites, curricular requirements and/or student changes to major(s), Hampton University cannot guarantee that all students will be able to complete all requirements for graduation within the 120-credit minimum requirement. Hampton University staff members will inform students at the time of enrollment if there are additional course requirements beyond the 120 minimum semester hours needed for graduation. Such courses will be specified in writing at that time.

Reverse Transfer Agreement

An associate degree is an important milestone in a student's education and can also be a significant credential for the student's resume. Hampton University Bridge to Hampton University students who transfer to HU from VPCC without completing all requirements for the associate degree may utilize HU courses as part of the Reverse Transfer Agreement (RTA).

) The Reverse Transfer Agreement applies to Bridge to Hampton University students who are enrolled in an associate degree program included in this agreement who seek to transfer to Hampton University prior to completion of the transfer associate degree. For guaranteed admission to HU under the Reverse Transfer Agreement, VPCC students must be enrolled in a transfer-oriented degree program with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or higher on a four-point scale as demonstrated on the VPCC transcript.

When students transfer to Hampton University prior to completing all degree requirements at VPCC, Hampton University staff will coordinate with VPCC staff to identify HU courses which will also satisfy those outstanding degree requirements at VPCC so that those courses will transfer back to VPCC for conferral of the associate degree. Prior to enrollment at Hampton University each semester, HU staff will coordinate with VPCC to evaluate potential HU courses which will fulfill requirements for the VPCC associate degree.

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VPCC students who do not meet the GAA eligibility requirements listed above are eligible to apply for admission to HU but will not be guaranteed admission under this agreement.

Responsibilities of Hampton University

Hampton University will:

- (1) Guarantee the acceptance of all transferable credits earned from the transfer-oriented associate degree program at VPCC and inform students in writing at the time of enrollment if there are additional course requirements beyond the 120 minimum semester hours needed for graduation. Completion of the transfer-oriented degree program will guarantee completion of the Hampton University general education component of the undergraduate curriculum in Business, Chemical/Electrical Engineering, or Computer Science.
- (2) Disseminate accurate information to VPCC prospective transfer students regarding the conditions of this agreement and the Bridge to Hampton University program.
- (3) Provide Bridge to Hampton University students with information and programming on career exploration, financial literacy, study skills, improved textbook reading, test/exam preparation, and notetaking provided through the University 101 online course.
- (4) Assist students with the admission process, enrollment at Hampton University, and advising. Hampton University will provide students with administrative assistance when registering for the first semester of courses at Hampton University.
- (5) Provide VPCC with specific program planning degree maps to aid with advising and to assist students in their selection of VPCC courses prior to transfer.
- (6) Share feedback and success data with VPCC regarding the performance of Bridge to Hampton University.
- (7) Collaborate with VPCC to promote this agreement among prospective and current VPCC students who qualify.

Responsibilities of VPCC

VPCC will:

- (1) Identify students who are eligible candidates for the Bridge to Hampton University program and connect those students with admission staff at Hampton University. Disseminate accurate information to VPCC transfer students regarding the conditions of this agreement and the Bridge to Hampton University program. Allow Hampton University staff to reserve space for Bridge to Hampton University programs offered on-site at VPCC's campuses. HU will be responsible for program content and delivery. Collaborate with Hampton University to identify potential course equivalents so the student may choose courses which will serve as degree progress at both schools. Assist Hampton University in advising students in the Bridge to Hampton University program and providing updated degree evaluations based on the student's enrollment in the transfer-oriented associate degree program at VPCC each semester for students in the Reverse Transfer Agreement.

Provide advising for students as they prepare for transfer to Hampton University to ensure a smooth transition, ensure students under this agreement complete the Letter of Intent, and contact Hampton University staff as needed for assistance or if any concerns arise

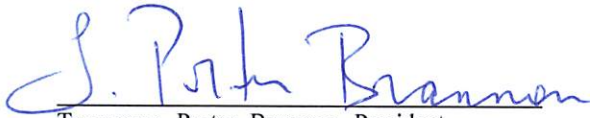
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Review of the Agreement

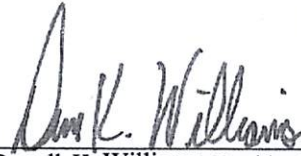
The Chancellor and Provost will be responsible for this agreement at Hampton University. The Vice President for Academic Affairs will be responsible for this agreement at Virginia Peninsula Community College.

Hampton University and VPCC will review this agreement every three years adjusting as deemed appropriate to maintain its integrity and for the improvement of the process. Changes will not adversely affect students already enrolled under the provisions of the existing agreement.

This agreement will remain in effect until terminated by either party upon written notice. Such notice should be given one year in advance of the date of termination; students who entered under the existing agreement may take advantage of these terms for two years after termination becomes effective.



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December 16, 2022
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