MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN
THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY (PSU)
AND PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY
(PENN COLLEGE) CONCERNING TRANSFER
(ADVANCED STANDING) ADMISSION

The purpose of the following agreement is to operationalize priority transfer admission included in the Memorandum of Understanding signed February 15, 1989, between Penn State and Pennsylvania College of Technology:

1. The determination of college/major program requirements for a Penn State baccalaureate or associate degree is the responsibility of the college/department offering that particular degree. The dean's representative of the college/major academic program determines whether the transferred courses from Penn College will satisfy baccalaureate or associate degree requirements.

2. For degree admission consideration to Penn State, the Penn College student will be required to earn at least a 2.0 cumulative grade-point average on a four-point scale, computed in the manner used for Penn State students. If the student has attended more than one regionally accredited institution, the cumulative 2.0 grade-point average will be computed on the grades received in courses earned at all institutions. It is recognized that individual colleges/majors at PSU may have special course and grade-point average requirements.

3. Penn College students will be eligible to be considered for transfer admission to Penn State.

   a. The student who has completed an associate degree at Penn College will be given priority consideration for baccalaureate degree admission to PSU-University Park programs according to "The Pennsylvania State University (PSU) University Park Transfer Admission Guidelines for Pennsylvania College of Technology (Penn College) Associate Degree Graduates Applying for the [specified two year period] Admissions Years." A yearly update will be made to these Guidelines retaining two-year spans.

   b. The student who has not completed an associate degree but has earned a minimum of 60 semester hours may apply for degree admission consideration to Penn State.

   c. Penn College students who request transfer to the University Park Campus prior to completion of the equivalent of two years of study (60 semester hours) will normally be eligible for degree consideration to one of Penn State's Commonwealth Campuses or Behrend College.
4. If specific program enrollment limitations make it difficult or nearly impossible to transfer to PSU in some college/major programs at University Park, as well as Commonwealth Campuses or Behrend College, the Undergraduate Admissions Office of Penn State will provide Penn College with information and admission criteria in as timely a fashion as possible.

5. A set of procedures for reporting progress of transfer students will be developed between Penn College and the University Park Campus (Commonwealth Campuses and Behrend College, if feasible) with the intention of improving the advising of prospective transfer students and providing follow-up information for Penn College regarding success of students transferring to Penn State University Park (Commonwealth Campuses and Behrend College, if feasible). Data will be provided on an aggregate basis.

6. Penn College will provide students with information about the educational opportunities available at Penn State.

7. During the fall and spring of each year, a representative from the University Park Undergraduate Admissions Office and the Division of Undergraduate Studies will meet with Penn College students and faculty/staff (academic advisors) at Pennsylvania College of Technology to provide academic/admission advising.

8. When appropriate, the Undergraduate Admissions Office may provide the Penn College student with an assurance of admission, contingent on the student’s completion of a specified course of study at Penn College with the required grade-point average.

9. This Agreement, the Transfer Admission Guidelines for Pennsylvania College of Technology, and the Course Articulation Guide will be annually reviewed and updated as needed.

For The Pennsylvania State University

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Vice Provost and Dean
Undergraduate Education

Date 10/15/91

For Pennsylvania College of Technology

James E. Middleton
Vice President for Academic Affairs

Date 10/8/91

10/4/91
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

and

THE WILLIAMSPORT AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

(Successor: PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY)

The following represents an understanding between the two institutions as it pertains to the proposed affiliation:

1. The Williamsport Area Community College's (W.A.C.C.) current philosophy, mission and goals (reproduced and attached to this memorandum as Exhibit A) will be continued and enhanced.

2. W.A.C.C.'s current policies, procedures, staffing, legal counsel and contractual obligations will be continued with ongoing and normal review and modification as appropriate.

3. All physical assets of W.A.C.C. will become the property of the Pennsylvania College of Technology, Arts and Sciences (PCTAS) and will be retained within the campuses of the PCTAS.

4. As a Pennsylvania State University (PSU) affiliate College, priority consideration will be given to PCTAS associate degree graduates in admission to the University Park campus subject to normal review of their collegiate work for transfer to Penn State programs as appropriate.

5. PCTAS may lease to PSU available space on a cost recovery basis for purpose of offering courses non-duplicative of PCTAS.

6. Full-time PSU faculty or staff members, their spouses and unmarried dependent children will be eligible for a 75 percent tuition reduction (undergraduate credit courses only) at PCTAS and full-time PCTAS faculty or staff members, their spouses and unmarried dependent children will be eligible for a 75 percent tuition reduction (undergraduate credit courses only) at PSU. Each institution will assume the cost of providing tuition reduction for its own employees at the other institution.

7. PCTAS and PSU acknowledge their initial curricular independence but will work toward subsequent integration of programs of study where practical and feasible as determined by the appropriate internal academic/administrative review bodies.
8. A task force will be appointed to develop program and/or course articulation standards and guidelines between PCTAS and PSU in accordance with the policies of each institution. The primary purpose of such standards and guidelines would be to inform and enable PCTAS associate of arts degree graduates to be eligible for transfer consideration to PSU with maximum transfer of credit for Penn State programs of study. The target date for initial completion of these standards and guidelines would be January 1, 1991.

9. Employees of either institution will not be transferred to the other institution where such transfer shall cause displacement of an existing employee.

10. The employer obligations for full-time teaching faculty, counselors, and librarians, as contained within the 1987-91 Agreement between The Williamsport Area Community College and The Williamsport Area Community College Education Association, will be assigned to and assumed by the successor employer, PCTAS.

11. PSU will provide direct assistance and support in obtaining funding from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for construction of a PCTAS Fine Arts/Campus Center during the next five year period.

12. Applications for external grant funding will continue to be independently pursued by both institutions with joint applications submitted when mutually determined advantageous to both PSU and PCTAS.

This Memorandum of Understanding signed the 15th day of February, 1989.

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

THE WILLIAMSPORT AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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