

**TRANSFER AGREEMENT WITH GUARANTEED ADMISSION
BETWEEN OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY (ODU) AND FUTURE EDUCATORS ACADEMY (FEA)**

In accordance with the Virginia State Policy on Transfer, Germanna Community College (Germanna), Laurel Ridge Community College (Laurel Ridge) and Old Dominion University (ODU) recognize the need for and importance of facilitating the transfer of students from one institution to the other as they pursue their educational goals. Germanna, Laurel Ridge, and ODU enter into this agreement to provide all students an opportunity for guaranteed admission to the University. Students who do not meet these requirements described herein are encouraged to apply and may be considered for admission under the regular admission procedures of the University.

Section 1: Definition of Articulation Agreement

An agreement between a two-year institution (Germanna and Laurel Ridge) and a four-year institution according to which a student is guaranteed admission to the four-year institution by earning a transfer degree and satisfying academic benchmarks and criteria.

Section 2: Requirements for Admission

Old Dominion University agrees to guarantee fall admission to the Darden College of Education and Professional Studies for a Germanna or Laurel Ridge FEA student who fulfills the steps described below:

- A. Applicable Associate Degrees:
Completes an Associate of Arts and Sciences or an Associate of Science in Education.
- B. Minimum GPA Requirement:
Students must present a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale upon application to ODU and upon graduation from Germanna or Laurel Ridge Community College.
- C. Limitations Due to Academic or Disciplinary Record:
ODU reserves the right to deny admission or the benefits of this agreement to students who have been suspended, dismissed, or expelled for academic or non-academic reasons from any college.
- D. Course Requirements:
Students are required to earn no grade lower than a "C" in any course at the VCCS institution to receive credit for the course at ODU.
- E. Minimum Credits to Be Completed at Associate Degree Institution:
Students must meet all requirements to earn a transferable education Associate degree as determined by Germanna or Laurel Ridge Community College, including a minimum of 60 credits.
- F. Maximum Credits Applicable for Transfer:
ODU will guarantee the acceptance of all credits earned from a transfer associate of science degree program, and any additional approved transfer credits, not to exceed 60 credits. If the degree being transferred is an applied associates degree, credits are accepted based on the articulation agreement. (see Addendum A)

G. Testing Requirements:

ODU does not require any standardized test scores for university admittance under the Guaranteed Admissions Agreement; however, testing requirements apply for licensure programs.

H. Admission Application for Enrollment:

Students at Germanna or Laurel Ridge Community College who have formally applied to graduate with an approved transferable associate degree are eligible for guaranteed admission if they meet all criteria. Students must submit the online ODU admission application by the application deadline for the semester they wish to enroll in and request that all previously attended colleges/universities/high schools submit an official transcript to ODU's Office of Admissions. Priority filing deadlines are March 1 for fall transfer admission and October 15 for spring transfer admission.

I. Registration of Intent to Use the Agreement:

A student must register their intent to use this agreement by completing and signing a Guaranteed Admission Agreement *Letter of Intent* form available on the ODU Undergraduate Admissions website after completing a minimum of 15 credits at Germanna or Laurel Ridge but before applying for graduation from the community college.

Students are also encouraged to share their intent to transfer to ODU through the Guaranteed Admission Agreement through the Transfer Virginia portal. This will not replace the *Letter of Intent* required at ODU.

Section 3: Application of Associate Degree in General Education Requirement

- The completion of a Virginia Community College System transferable associate degree waives most ODU general education requirements. ODU general education requirements that are not waived in this manner will be fulfilled through the ODU Darden College of Education and Professional Studies program. Courses will be accepted regardless of delivery method (ie: online, hybrid).
- Any requirements not met by the Applied Associates Degree: See articulation agreement (Addendum A).

Section 4: Application of this Agreement to Students Earning Associate Degree Concurrent with High School

No distinction will be made by ODU regarding college courses applicable to the transfer associate degree that are taken through dual enrollment arrangements with high schools as a part of FEA. Completion of the associate degree through dual enrollment will not preclude the student from eligibility under this agreement.

Section 5: Application of this Agreement to Students Earning Credit for Prior Learning

Credit awarded at a previous institution for AP, IB, and Cambridge International examination scores will be reevaluated by ODU. Credit is not guaranteed for these courses; credit will be granted only if AP, IB, and Cambridge International examination scores meet established criteria.

Section 6: Associate Degree Completion Criteria and Catalog Determination

Germanna and Laurel Ridge Community College students will be assigned to the ODU undergraduate catalog in effect for their first semester at ODU, but they have the option of requesting the undergraduate catalog in effect at the time of their enrollment into the Guaranteed Admission Agreement and may continue with the degree requirements as specified in the catalog for up to five academic years. If the transfer to ODU is not made within five years, then the student will follow the ODU undergraduate catalog in effect at the time of transfer to ODU.

Section 7: Transfer Guide- Student Document

The associated Transfer Guide represents all requirements for admittance under this GAA and the benefits that result. The Transfer Guide will be applied, once development is complete, as the student-facing document for this agreement. Major-specific transfer guides will be developed and featured at the Transfer Virginia portal (<https://www.transfervirginia.org>). Students should check the Transfer Guidance section of those transfer guides to understand whether admission into the university also guarantees admission into their major or program of choice.

Section 8: Party Responsibilities:

ODU agrees to the following:

1. Provide mentorship opportunities to FEA students enrolled at Germanna and Laurel Ridge per this agreement.
2. Provide opportunities for students to tour Darden College of Education and Professional Studies, meet with education faculty and be introduced to the campus during their program at Germanna and Laurel Ridge.
3. Facilitate the transfer process, by providing transition activities for students enrolled at FEA.
4. Waive application fee for FEA students.
5. Coordinate programmatic changes with EDU faculty at Germanna and Laurel Ridge Community College.
6. While ODU does not have any named scholarship designated especially for FEA students, FEA students are considered for all scholarship and other assistance for which they are eligible. FEA students interceded in receiving scholarships or financial aid at ODU must complete the FAFSA form by the application deadline established by ODU, Office of Financial Aid, for need-based aid. FEA students are not required to complete ODU Institutional Scholarship Information Form their first year to be considered for institutional scholarships.
7. Provide tracking data on performance of FEA transfer students at ODU, including credits presented and accepted in transfer, ODU courses attempted and completed, cumulative GPA, major, graduation date from ODU, teacher licensure attainment, and comparisons with students who did not enter ODU under the terms of this agreement. The specific data elements of the report will be determined by Institutional Research staff from FEA and ODU and provided by July 1 of each year.

Future Educators Academy agrees to the following:

1. Advise students regarding courses needed to complete the transfer associate degree.
2. Make available information about ODU and the GAA to prospective students enrolled in FEA.
3. Help students prepare for Praxis exams before transfer to ODU.

FEA students agree to the following:

1. Follow all ODU application processes, procedures, deadlines, and meet GPA requirements.
2. Have declared intent to transfer by completing the Student Letter of Intent form after a minimum of 15 credits toward the transfer associate degree is completed at the community college and before applying for graduation from the community college.

Section 9: Review Clause

ODU and Germanna and Laurel Ridge will review this agreement and the student tracking data every three years to adjust as deemed appropriate to maintain its integrity and value and for improvement of the transfer process. Changes will not be applied retroactively to students already enrolled or registered under the provisions of the existing GAA.

If no changes are necessary, the document will remain in effect until terminated by either party upon written notice to the other party of an intention to terminate. Such notice shall be effective only if given 180 days prior to the intended date of termination. Students who entered under the GAA may take advantage of its terms for two years after termination becomes effective.

The above provisions are mutually agreed to and shall go into effect when signed by the appropriate institutional representatives. They shall remain in force until superseded by official action by a participating institution.

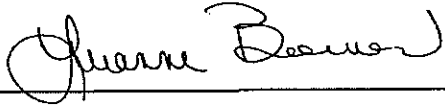


Dean, Old Dominion University

7.1.2025

Date

Darden College of Education and Professional Studies



Luanne Bowman, Chief of Staff & Associate Vice

President of Academic Affairs, Old Dominion University

Old Dominion University

7-2-25

Date



President, Germanna Community College

06/17/25

Date



President, Laurel Ridge Community College

6/20/25

Date

ADDENDUM A

Germanna/Laurel Ridge Community College: Associate of Arts & Science in Education, Future Educators Academy
2024-2027 Old Dominion University: BS in Elementary Education

AAS Transfer Agreement Guide

Complete at Community College					Complete at Old Dominion University		
AAS DEGREE REQUIREMENT		ODU EQUIVALENCY			BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		
VCCS Course	credits	C= Grade C REQ G = Gen ED M = Major REQ	ODU Equivalent Course	Notes	ODU Course	Credits	Notes
ART 101	3	G	Human Creativity		MATH 302	3	MTH 250 if taken at VCCS*
BIO 101	4	C G M	BIOL 121N & 122N		LIBS 110G	3	
CST 100	3	G	COMM 101R		FOUN 301	3	
ECO 150	3	G	ECON 200S		TLED 337	3	ENG 250 if taken at VCCS*
EDU 200	3	C G M	TLED 301		TLED 430W	3	
EDU 204	3	C G M	TLED 326		TLED 426	3	
EDU 207	3	C G M	PSYC 203S		TLED 432	3	
EDU 250	3	C G M	EDUC 2ELE	See note 1 below	TLED 435	3	
ENG 111	3	C G M	ENGL 110C		FOUN 302	3	
ENG 112	3	C G M	ENGL 211C		STEM 433	3	
ENG 246	3	G	ENGL 114L		STEM 434	3	
GEO 220	3	C G M	GEOG 250	See note 2 below	SPED 411	3	CHD 205 if taken at VCCS*
GOL 105	3	C G M	OEAS 111N		TLED 478	3	
GOL 106	3	G	OEAS 112N		TLED 479	3	
HIS 121	3	C G M	HIST 104H		TLED 320	3	CHD 120 + CHD 165 if taken at VCCS*
HIS 122	3	G	Interpreting the Past		TLED 330	3	CHD 145 if taken at VCCS*
MTH 154	3	C G M	MATH 101M	See note 3 below	TLED 483	1	
MTH 245	3	C G M	STAT 130M		TLED 488	12	
PLS 135	3	G	POLS 101S				

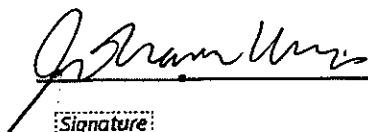
PLS 136	3		POLS 331				
CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: 61				CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 61			

Notes (continued on back):

1. EDU 250 will meet the SPED 400 requirement for the BS at ODU. Student must request substitution with ODU advisor.
2. GEO 220 will meet the GEOG 100S requirement for the BS at ODU. Student must request substitution with ODU advisor.
3. MATH 101M will meet the MATH 102M requirement for the BS at ODU. Student must request substitution with ODU advisor.

Notes (continued):

- Lower-Division General Education waiver and course substitutions are not automatic upon enrollment to ODU, students must notify academic advisor for these to be processed upon verification.
- Course requirements listed in this agreement are based on the 2024-2025 catalogs for each institution but are valid until 2027, unless an updated agreement guide was created and is available on the ODU Transfer Pathways website: <https://odu.edu/transfer/transfer-pathways/vccs>.
- Grade of C or higher is required to receive course credit.
- To participate in this transfer agreement guide please visit Old Dominion University's website to complete the Letter of Intent: <http://www.odu.edu/transfer/vccs>.
- Completion of this transfer agreement guide alone does not guarantee admission to Old Dominion University. All students must meet the requirements set by the Office of Admissions and the Guaranteed Admissions Agreement (GAA). Please visit admissions.odu.edu for more information regarding guaranteed admission to Old Dominion University.
- 120 min. credits required for graduation.

 7/14/2025
 Signature Date

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