

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT COBLESKILL

Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Technology in Agricultural Business

AND

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS

on behalf of

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY

Master of Science in Resource Economics and Management

July 2017

I. General Statement of Purpose

This Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”), dated as of July 1, 2017, by and between the State University of New York at Cobleskill (“SUNY Cobleskill”) and West Virginia University Board of Governors on behalf of West Virginia University (“West Virginia University”), regarding SUNY Cobleskill’s Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Technology in Agricultural Business degree programs and West Virginia University’s Master of Science in Resource Economics and Management graduate degree program.

The purpose is to facilitate the admission of qualified SUNY Cobleskill Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Technology in Agricultural Business degree recipients into West Virginia University’s Master of Science in Resource Economics and Management graduate degree program.

II. Requirements and Terms

- A. Students must earn a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above at the time of application to the graduate program, and maintain an overall GPA of 3.0 or above at the time of completion and graduation from the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Technology in Agricultural Business degree programs at SUNY Cobleskill.
- B. Students must receive a minimum grade of “C” or better on all required courses in the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Technology in Agricultural Business degree programs at SUNY Cobleskill, resulting in a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- C. Students must complete the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Technology in Agricultural Business degree program at SUNY Cobleskill.
- D. Students must meet the academic requirements for admission including specific coursework as outlined on the attached guide sheets.
- E. Students must complete the admissions application for West Virginia University’s Master of Science in Resource Economics and Management graduate degree program.

- F. Students must provide West Virginia University with a final transcript listing degree posted and cumulative GPA for the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Technology in Agricultural Business degree program.
- G. The Division of Resource Economics and Management in the Davis College of West Virginia University will hold up to two slots per year for the admission of qualified students from SUNY Cobleskill under the terms of this MOU.
- H. Although students admitted to West Virginia University's master's program through this MOU will be eligible to be considered for financial support, including graduate assistantships and tuition waivers, there is no commitment to providing such support for these students.

III. Benefits and Advantages

- A. Admission to West Virginia University's Master of Science in Resource Economics and Management degree program which prepares students for professional careers related to natural resource, environmental, agricultural, energy agribusiness and rural development economics.
- B. To attract qualified students to both institutions who wish to pursue a Master of Science in Resource Economics and Management degree.

IV. Review and Revision of this MOU

This MOU will be reviewed every two years in June, starting with the year of inception. Should either party desire to terminate this agreement, notification will be given to the other party, in writing, no less than six months prior to the proposed date of termination. Students enrolled in the MS program at the time of termination will be permitted to complete their degree program at West Virginia University.

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To be eligible to apply for admission to the WVU M.S. in Resource Economics and Management degree program under this agreement, a student from SUNY at Cobleskill must complete the following courses as part of their Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Technology in Agricultural Business degree program (with a GPA of 3 or higher):

- AGBU 104 Intro Ag Econ (AGBU Major Requirement)
- AGBU 342 Intermediate Ag Economics (AGBU Major Upper Level Elective)
- MATH 125 Statistics (Liberal Arts Elective and/or MATH requirement)
- ECON 123 (Micro-Economics) or ECON 124 (Macro-Economics) (Liberal Arts Elective)
- MATH 231 Calculus
- ECON 425 Intro Econometrics or equivalent (recommended).

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SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2	
ENGL 101 Composition I	3	AGBU 107 Ag Business Operations	4
MATH 111 College Algebra (or higher)	3	ACCT 101 Financial Accounting	3
AGBU 104 Intro. to Agribusiness and Ag Economics	4	Liberal Arts and Sciences	6
Technical Elective	3	Lab Science	3
FFCS 101 Foundations for College Success	1		
TOTAL CREDITS	14	TOTAL CREDITS	16
SEMESTER 3		SEMESTER 4	
AGBU 241 Ag Production Management	4	AGBU 242 Ag Business Financial Management	4
Liberal Arts and Sciences – ECON 123 Micro-Economics or 124 Macro-Economics	9	AGBU 300/400 Electives	6
Technical Elective	3	Liberal Arts and Sciences MATH 125 - Statistics	3
		Lab Science	3
TOTAL CREDITS	16	TOTAL CREDITS	16
SEMESTER 5		SEMESTER 6	
AGBU 300/400 Electives AGBU 342 Intermediate Ag Economics	6	AGBU 300/400 Electives	6
Technical Elective	3	ENGL 102 Composition II	3
Liberal Arts and Sciences	3	MATH 231 – Calculus I	3
Liberal Arts and Sciences 300/400 level	3	Liberal Arts and Sciences 300/400 level	3
TOTAL CREDITS	15	TOTAL CREDITS	15
SEMESTER 7		SEMESTER 8	
AGBU 300/400 Electives	3	AGBU 300/400 Electives	6
Technical Elective 300/400 level	3	Liberal Arts and Sciences 300/400 level	6
Liberal Arts and Sciences	5	General Elective	1
Liberal Arts and Sciences 300/400 level	3	Anything from PHED	1
TOTAL CREDITS	14	TOTAL CREDITS	14

SUNY Cobleskill Course Sequence (120 Total Credits)

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	4	AGBU 242 Ag Business Financial Management	4
Liberal Arts and Sciences ECON 123 Micro-Economics or 124 Macro-Economics	6	AGBU 300/400 Electives	3
Technical Electives	6	Liberal Arts and Sciences – MATH 125 Statistics	6
Anything from PHED	1	General Elective	3
TOTAL CREDITS	17	TOTAL CREDITS	16
SEMESTER 5		SEMESTER 6	
AGBU 300/400 Electives – AGBU 342 Intermediate Ag Economics	8	AGBU 300/400 Electives	6
Liberal Arts and Sciences - MATH 231 Calculus I	6	AGBU Internship Orientation Ag Bus	1
		Technical Electives	6
		Liberal Arts and Sciences 300/400 level –	3
TOTAL CREDITS	14	TOTAL CREDITS	16
SEMESTER 7		SEMESTER 8	
AGBU 450 Internship in Ag Business	12	AGBU 300/400 Electives	7
		Technical Elective	2
		Technical Elective 300/400 level	3
		Liberal Arts and Sciences 300/400 level	3
TOTAL CREDITS	12	TOTAL CREDITS	15

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