

**DIPLOMA-TO-DEGREE EXCEPTIONAL TRANSFER AGREEMENT [COMMUNITY  
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT] BETWEEN**

**Algoma University** (hereinafter 'AU')  
Sault Ste. Marie, ON  
and  
**Confederation College** (hereinafter 'CC')  
Thunder Bay, ON

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**1.0 General Provisions:**

- I. This articulation agreement sets forth guidelines for the partnership that will exist between AU and CC. This agreement describes the standard transfer credit pathways for one-year Ontario College Certificate programs, two-year Ontario College Diploma Programs and three-year Ontario College Advanced Diploma Programs;
- II. The goal of this agreement is to provide maximum opportunity for students to achieve the benefits of combining a college diploma and a university degree;
- III. The fundamental means embodied in this agreement is the recognition of prior learning and a credit transfer system in the province of Ontario that optimizes pathways and minimizes unnecessary duplication of students' learning and barriers to student mobility;
- IV. The agreement shall be continuous from year to year; however, either party may terminate the agreement if notice in writing is given at least six months prior to the date on which the termination becomes effective. Students enrolled at the time of notice of termination will be given the opportunity to complete their degree studies based on the terms of the agreement when they commenced their studies;
- V. AU and CC will assign members to an Advisory Council to actively monitor the implementation of the pathway, using co-developed evaluation methodology and tools.

**1.1 Block Transfer Credit Agreement Specifications:**

- i. CC diploma and certificate program graduates must meet AU admission requirements defined as the successful completion of a two or three-year diploma program or a

one-year certificate program with a minimum overall average of B (3.00 GPA) to be eligible for block transfer credit recognition. The following CC diploma program will be considered as part of the exceptional transfer credit framework:

- **Aboriginal Community Advocacy Program [ACA – two-year]**

(Appendix A summarizes credit recognition based on the transfer agreement between AU and CC)

- ii. Successful applicants from the aforementioned two-year diploma program with a minimum overall average of 3.00 GPA (B) or greater will receive recognition as follows:
  - **57 transfer credits towards the three-year Bachelor of Arts in Community Development program [BA3.CDEV];**
  - **60 transfer credits towards the four-year Honours Bachelor of Arts in Community Economic and Social Development program [BA4.CESD];**
  - **45 transfer credits toward the three-year Bachelor of Arts in Community Economic and Social Development program [BA3.CESD]**
- iii. CC diploma graduates from the aforementioned program with a 2.50 – 2.99 GPA (C+) will receive transfer recognition for a maximum of 15 credits towards the Bachelor of Arts in Community Development and Community Economic and Social Development degree programs; students with a 2.49 GPA or less (C-/C) grade will be eligible for admission, but will not receive transfer credit.
- iv. In the case of course code changes, AU and CC agree to update the agreement accordingly.
- v. Each CC graduate admitted to AU via this agreement will receive an individualized diploma to degree completion chart outlining the number of transfer credits received and the courses required for completion of the designated degree program.

## 1.2 Institutional Commitment

Algoma University and Confederation College agree to implement a wrap-around support model for this exceptional agreement. The agreement is designed to facilitate the seamless transfer of students, and in particular Indigenous learners. The wrap-around support model involves active participation by both institutions at all stages of the student experience. AU and CC agree to assign a Working Group with representation from both institutions for this pathway agreement to explicitly identify which wrap-around supports will be provided in accordance with the model below. The success of this agreement will be monitored by the Working Group by examining student success and support provision using the wrap-around framework. In addition, the parties agree to the following:

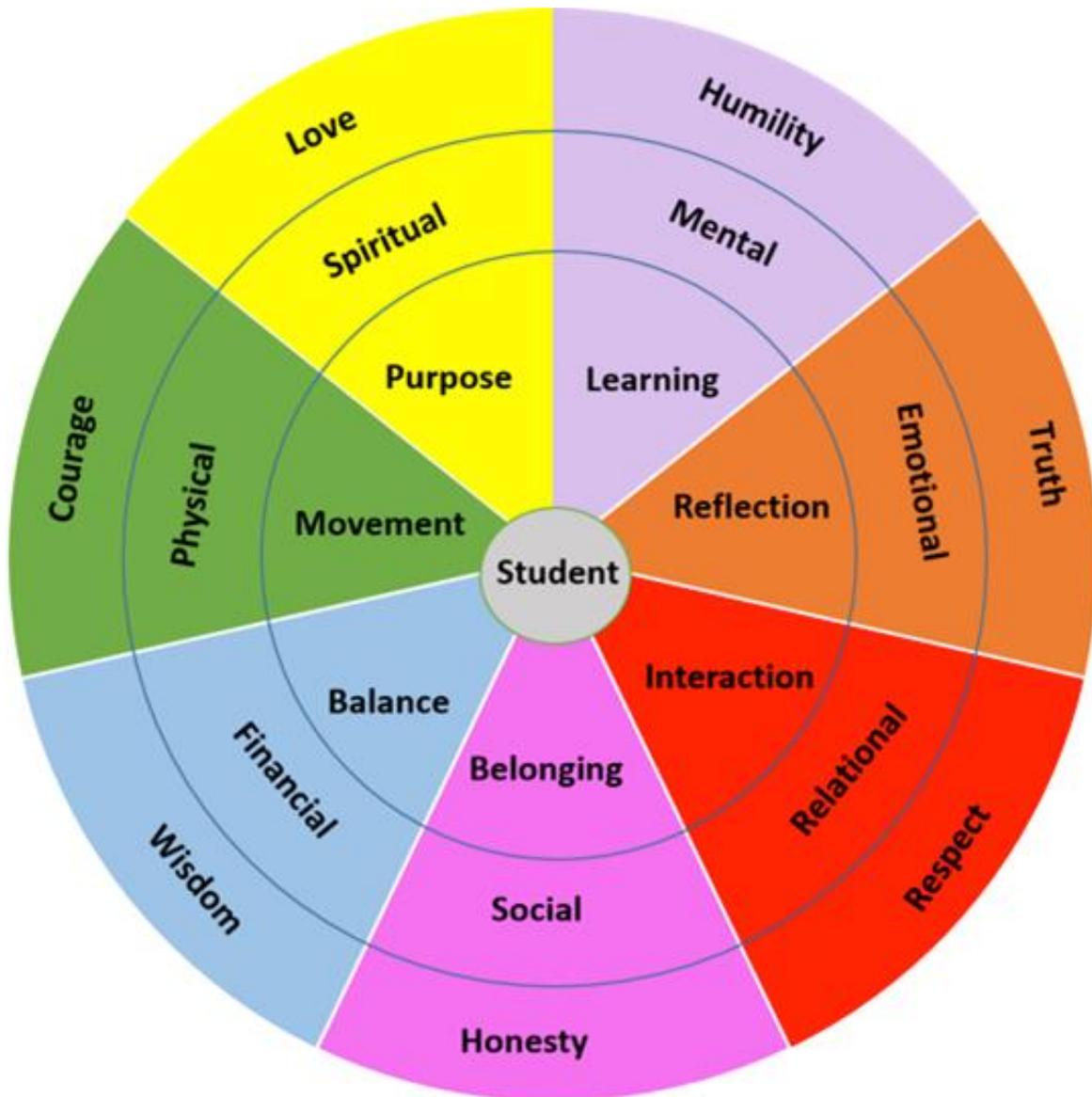
AU will:

- Collaborate with CC to provide information to students in their first year of study at CC regarding the transfer pathway.
- Encourage pathway preparation by providing information to advisors at CC on college courses that will maximize transfer credit for this pathway.
- Assign an Anishinaabe Student Success Advisor to work with CC students while they are in the CC diploma program.
- Ensure applicants from CC receive priority entry to the university through a joint admissions process.
- Waive the requirements for a completed transfer application and the transfer application fee.
- Collaborate with CC to connect students and faculty to university resources while in the CC diploma program (faculty, library, learning resources, housing, etc.).
- Provide AU pathway scholarships to eligible students.

CC will:

- Collaborate with AU to provide information to students in their first year of study at CC regarding the transfer pathway.
- Encourage pathway preparation by providing opportunity for advisors and faculty at CC to learn about college courses that will maximize transfer credit for this pathway.
- Assign an Advisor to serve as the primary liaison for CC students interested in the AU pathway while they are in the CC diploma program.
- Collaborate with AU to connect students and faculty to university resources while in the CC diploma program (faculty, library, learning resources, housing, etc.)

Both parties agree to work collaboratively to build a strong inter-institutional working relationship to facilitate seamless transfer using a wrap-around support model that puts the student at the centre.



## Signing Authority

The parties have each assigned an individual to be responsible for the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the Diploma-to-Degree Transfer Agreement:

For Algoma University (AU),  
Asima Vezina  
President and Vice Chancellor  
1520 Queen Street East  
Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A 2G4  
Canada

For Confederation College (CC),  
Kathleen Lynch  
President and CEO  
1450 Nakina Drive  
Thunder Bay, ON P7C 4W1  
Canada

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have executed this Transfer Agreement by our duly authorized officers,  
Signature of authorized representatives of AU and CC:

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Asima Vezina, President and Vice Chancellor, AU

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Date

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Kathleen Lynch, President and CEO, CC

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Date

## Appendix A

### Confederation College – Algoma University Diploma-to-Degree Exceptional Transfer Agreement

For maximum transfer credit, a minimum final GPA average of 3.00 (B) is required for the exceptional agreement. Students who complete the Aboriginal Community Advocacy program (two-year) at CC will receive course recognition as follows towards the Bachelor of Arts in Community Development [BA3.CDEV]:

Bachelor of Arts in Community Development (BA3.CDEV)
Course Recognition
ANIS 1006
ANIS 1007
CESD 1006
CESD 2607
CESD 3456
CESD 3906
CESD 3907
COSC 1701
HUMA 9100 [6 credits]
HUMA 9200 [6 credits]
SOSC 9100 [6 credits]
SOSC 9200 [9 credits]
SWRK 9200 [6 credits]
<b>57 credits</b>

*\*all courses have a weight of three (3) credits unless otherwise noted*

For maximum transfer credit, a minimum final GPA average of 3.00 (B) is required for the exceptional agreement. Students who complete the Aboriginal Community Advocacy program (two-year) at CC will receive course recognition as follows towards the Honours Bachelor of Arts in Community Economic and Social Development [BA4.CESD]:

Bachelor of Arts in Community Economic and Social Development [BA4.CESD]
Course Recognition
CESD 1006
CESD 3017
COSC 1701
GEOG 1027
POLI 1007
SOCI 1016
SWRK 1006
HUMA 9100 [6 credits]
HUMA 9200 [9 credits]
SOSC 9100 [9 credits]
SOSC 9200 [15 credits]
<b>60 credits</b>

***\*all courses have a weight of three (3) credits unless otherwise noted***

For maximum transfer credit, a minimum final GPA average of 3.00 (B) is required for the exceptional agreement. Students who complete the Aboriginal Community Advocacy program (two-year) at CC will receive course recognition as follows towards the general Bachelor of Arts in Community Economic and Social Development [BA3.CESD]:

Bachelor of Arts in Community Economic and Social Development [BA3.CESD]
Course Recognition
CESD 1006
COSC 1701
GEOG 1027
POLI 1007
SOCI 1016
SWRK 1006
SWRK 2127
HUMA 9100 [6 credits]
HUMA 9200 [6 credits]
SOSC 9100 [6 credits]
SOSC 9200 [6 credits]
<b>45 credits</b>

***\*all courses have a weight of three (3) credits unless otherwise noted***

## Appendix B

### Confederation College – Algoma University Diploma-to-Degree BLOCK & EXCEPTIONAL Transfer Agreement COURSE LIST

ANIS 1006 Anishinaabe Peoples and our Homelands I  
ANIS 1007 Anishinaabe Peoples and our Homelands II  
CESD 1006 Introduction to Community Economic and Social Development I  
CESD 2607 Community Engagement and Strategic Planning  
CESD 3017 Directed Studies CESD Practicum  
CESD 3456 Community Advocacy and Social Justice  
CESD 3906 Community Economic and Social Development: Selected Topics I  
CESD 3907 Community Economic and Social Development: Selected Topics II  
COSC 1701 Computer Applications I  
GEOG 1027 Introduction to the Physical Environment  
POLI 1007 Political Science II: World Politics  
SOC 1016 Understanding Society I: Principles and Processes  
SWRK 1006 Introduction to Social Welfare in the North  
SWRK 2127 Introduction to Social Work Research  
HUMA 9100 Humanities, first-year non-equivalent [6 credits]  
HUMA 9200 Humanities, second-year non-equivalent [6 credits]  
HUMA 9200 Humanities, second-year non-equivalent [9 credits]  
SOSC 9100 Social Science, first-year non-equivalent [9 credits]  
SOSC 9100 Social Science, first-year non-equivalent [6 credits]  
SOSC 9200 Social Science, second-year non-equivalent [6 credits]  
SOSC 9200 Social Science, second-year non-equivalent [9 credits]  
SOSC 9200 Social Science, second-year non-equivalent [15 credits]  
SWRK 9200 Social Work, second-year non-equivalent [6 credits]

***\*all courses have a weight of three (3) credits unless otherwise noted***