

Cooperative Agreements

Articulation Agreements

An officially approved agreement between an NC State college or department and either a 2 year or 4 year institution that establishes course transfer equivalencies outside of the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement.

Articulation Agreements may also specify a course taking plan, that when followed by the student will result in a seamless transfer of credits for the student to their program of study at NC State or another institution. Example: Two years of coursework at X College or University and two years at the NC State (2+2), or three years at NC State and one year at XX University (3+1).

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

General Academic Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – A general academic MOU is a positive statement of interest between NC State University, which may include a college or multiple colleges, to explore partnership activities with another university. An MOU does not express a binding commitment to any specific activity, but rather a serious intention to explore identified interests. MOU's are not encouraged unless there is clear intent to implement an actual project of exchange and/or other academic activities in the near future, where the execution of the MOU will foster that action. An MOU that contemplates the prospect of student and faculty teaching exchange must be supported by the college(s) interested in exploring this activity. The MOU will identify the NC State representative(s) who will take the lead to promote future activities between the two institutions.

General Research Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – A general research MOU is a positive statement of interest between the NC State University, led by either the Office for Research, Outreach and Extension and/or an NC State college, to explore research activities with another university. An MOU does not express a binding commitment to any specific activity, but rather a serious intention to explore identified interests. MOU's are not encouraged unless there is clear intent to implement an actual research project in the near future, where the execution of the MOU will foster that action. The Office for Research, Outreach and Extension or the college(s) requesting the research MOU will identify the NC State faculty leader or representative(s) who will take the lead to promote future activities between the two institutions.

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Partnership Agreement – This Memorandum of Agreement is to be used as a document outlining the cooperative terms of two entities to work in partnership on certain listed projects, or as a general partnership. The agreed responsibilities of the partners and the benefits of each party will be listed. As a part of the agreement there is usually a list of binding terms that makes the partnership a cohesive unit and often there is an obligation of funds attached to certain terms in the agreement.