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## **TERMS & CONDITIONS** The University of West Alabama Community College Connect Scholarship Program

Terms and conditions between the University of West Alabama (UWA) and transfer students of partner community colleges (hereinafter referred to as “Participant”) who wish to enter the Community College Connect Scholarship Program.

### I. General Terms of Agreement

- a. This agreement allows Participants, who successfully complete the verification process, to participate in the Community College Connect Scholarship Program (hereinafter referred to as “Community College Connect”) for online degrees offered by UWA. Community College Connect is available only for online degree programs. Community College Connect pricing is only applicable to courses required for the Participant’s degree program. It is not applicable to on-campus programs or courses and it is not applicable to on-campus courses that may be required to complete an online degree program.
- b. Participants must complete the participant verification form in order to apply for Community College Connect. The Participant’s transcript from the partner community college must prove completion of all general education requirements if seeking a bachelor’s degree and must indicate a degree was earned to pursue any degree other than a bachelor’s degree. The community college of attendance must be a partner community college of UWA’s Community College Connect Scholarship Program.
- c. Participants who enter degree programs that qualify for higher level certificates or for special endorsements or state recognition or board certification or state certification for their respective states should check carefully the requirements of their states.
- d. Participants must apply to UWA for admission and meet all admission requirements before applying for Community College Connect.

### II. UWA Community College Connect Scholarship Pricing

- a. UWA agrees to grant Participants a partial “scholarship” in the form of an adjusted per credit hour amount. The adjusted per credit hour amount will be determined each academic year. UWA reserves the right to adjust tuition, fees and the Community College Connect scholarship amount at the start of each academic year.
- b. Textbooks, technology fees and course supplies or fees are not included in the Community College Connect pricing.
- c. Community College Connect pricing is only applicable to courses required for the Participant’s degree program. It is not applicable to on-campus programs or courses and it is not applicable to on-campus courses that may be required to complete an online degree program.
- d. Community College Connect pricing applies to a class one time. It will not be re-applied to the same course if the Participant re-takes or fails the course for any reason. If a participant withdrawals from a course(s) for any reason or fails a course(s), the “scholarship” will be revoked upon the withdrawal which may result in an account balance.
- e. Participants in Community College Connect must meet the following criteria in order to stay or convert to the program:
  - i. Must be pursuing an online degree.
  - ii. If applicable, must maintain the GPA requirements for their degree program.
  - iii. Cannot have “holds” on their student account or owe any balances.
  - iv. Must be in good standing with the University.
  - v. Must provide a completed verification form. The Participant’s transcript from the partner community college must prove completion of all general education requirements if seeking a bachelor’s degree and must indicate a degree was earned to pursue any degree other than a bachelor’s degree. The community college of attendance must be a partner community college of the UWA Community College Connect Scholarship Program to be eligible.

- vi. Community College Connect pricing applies to a class one time. It will not be re-applied to the same course if the Participant re-takes or fails the course for any reason. If a participant withdrawals from a course(s) for any reason or fails a course(s) the “scholarship” will be revoked upon the withdrawal which may result in an account balance.
- vii. Must abide by all policies & procedures and requirements set by the university, colleges and academic programs.

### III. Length of Time to Complete a Program

Once a Community College Connect Participant begins a program, the Participant will have 24 months to complete degree requirements under the Community College Connect pricing arrangement. In the case where a Community College Connect Participant pursues a bachelor’s or doctoral degree, the Participant will have 48 months to complete degree requirements under the Community College Connect Scholarship Program.

### IV. Payment and Billing

- a. UWA will bill each Participant net of the scholarship amount.
- b. Participants are eligible to apply for federal financial assistance through the UWA Financial Aid Office. (Note that certain Veteran benefits cannot be combined with the Community College Connect Scholarship Program. UWA’s Registrar’s office can determine which VA benefits can be used in combination with the scholarship.)
- c. If a Participant withdraws from a class, UWA will follow normal withdrawal refund policies. Community College Connect pricing applies to a class one time. It will not be re-applied to the same course if the Participant re-takes or fails the course for any reason. If a participant withdrawals from a course(s) for any reason the “scholarship” will be revoked upon the withdrawal which may result in an account balance.
- d. The Community College Connect Scholarship Program cannot be combined with any other Connect scholarship programs or Tuition Remission provided by UWA.
- e. Participants must be registered for their course(s) by the Connect Deadline each term to be eligible for the scholarship.

### V. Admission and Registration for Community College Connect Participants

- i. For eligibility verification, the Participant will provide a completed verification form. The Participant’s transcript from the partner community college must prove completion of all general education requirements if seeking a bachelor’s degree and must indicate a degree was earned to pursue any degree other than a bachelor’s degree for the UWA Community College Connect Scholarship Program. UWA reserves the right to obtain additional verification at any point and for any reason in order for the Participant to join or remain in the Community College Connect Scholarship Program.
- ii. Participants will apply to UWA using the standard online application.
- iii. In order to ensure sufficient time for scholarship processing, Participants agree to register for classes by published dates that are unique to Community College Connect. These dates are different from those that are not enrolled in Community College Connect. Community College Connect deadlines are published on the UWA website.
- iv. The Participant must include their transcripts from the partner community college which shows completion of all general education requirements and/or indicate that a degree was awarded.

### VI. Agreement Termination

UWA reserves the right to change, amend, modify, suspend, continue or terminate all or any part of the acknowledgement either in an individual case or in general, at any time without notice or reason.