

Transfer Back – A Credential Partnership

between

Eastern Illinois University (EIU)

Charleston, IL

and

Lake Land College (LLC)

Mattoon, IL

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Objective: Develop a pathway to award a post-secondary credential pathway for EIU stop outs. Once students earn the new credential, EIU and LLC will encourage them to enroll in an EIU online degree or another EIU program.

EIU and LLC agree to:

1. Identify a limited population of academically qualified EIU students who have not earned an undergraduate degree
 - a. Not currently enrolled and has not been enrolled for at least the last 2 semesters
 - b. Have not earned an associate degree
 - c. At-least 45 earned hours of undergraduate work
 - d. At-least a 2.0 cumulative GPA
 - e. "Good Standing" relative to student standards
 - f. EIU will identify pool of stop-out prospects
2. Create or identify transfer-back pathway credential for EIU stop-outs
 - a. LLC commits to facilitate completion using existing programs and will explore the possibility of a new targeted degree for transfer back students in the future
3. Commit to provide a pathway for participating learners to earn academic credit through an assessment of prior learning (PLA)
 - a. Transfer back program could have a 3-credit hour online culminating/capstone experience or internship or other applied learning experience at LLC
4. Transfer back should generally map to the 37-credit hour IAI GECC, if possible
 - a. LLC commits to being flexible with transfer courses to facilitate
5. Issue EIU official transcript, at the request of the student, for transfer at no cost to the student for the LLC transfer
 - a. Must be student initiated by completion of an online form opting into the program, with notification to parties at EIU and Lake Land
6. Upon completion of the new credential with Lake Land, EIU will commit to working with students with outstanding balances who wish to engage in an online degree completion program, including the potential for waiving accrued interest on the outstanding balance

7. Commit to collaborative marketing to the target population and share all current contact information
 - a. Joint press release and social media
 - b. LLC agrees to encourage and assist marketing EIU's degree completion program to the credential completers in this program for students in LLC's district
 - i. LLC issues an official transcript free of charge if a student requests admission to the EIU degree completion program
 - c. EIU will provide LLC with updated stop-out data annually for future collaborative marketing
8. EIU and LLC agree to exchange transfer student information for the purpose of monitoring and promoting student academic success and degree conferral.

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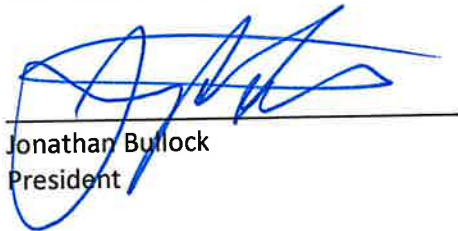


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