



STEM Dual Admission and Concurrent Enrollment Agreement

California State University, Bakersfield (CSUB)
and Bakersfield College (BC)



California State University, Bakersfield and Bakersfield College agree to enter into a Dual Admission Agreement for the mutual benefit of both institutions and their students (see Exhibit A). Dual admission is used here to describe instances in which a matriculating community college student committed to attending CSUB is granted admissions concurrently upon the condition that the student completes all lower division requirements and achieves full eligibility.

CSUB and BC believe existing local rates of college participation and success are less than satisfactory and can be improved through a systematic, focused and collaborative effort. The overall objective of this agreement is to more closely link the efforts of Bakersfield College with California State University, Bakersfield in order to create a seamless process for the academic, personal and professional success of students in our service area(s).

The specific goals of this agreement include the following:

- Increase the transfer rate of Community College students to CSUB.
- Increase the completion rate of Community College students once enrolled at CSUB.
- Increase the college-going rate within the local district through joint promotion of the benefits of this arrangement to potential participants.
- Strengthen and build upon existing articulation efforts between Bakersfield College and CSUB and develop a closer working relationship.

As both institutions desire to facilitate the transfer of students from BC to CSUB in support of the goals identified above, the parties agree to the following:

1. Admission of BC students to CSUB is guaranteed upon their completion of 60 semester/90 quarter credits of general education and major preparation courses with a 2.0 GPA along with the completion of the four CSU General Education basic skill courses with a letter grade of C or better in each course. This includes a guarantee of admission to all undergraduate programs with the exception of those which are formally impacted, e.g., Nursing.
2. Enrollment in the CSUB and BC Dual Admission Program is initiated by a student filing the Dual Admission application form (see Exhibit A) and confirming his/her understanding of the respective obligations of the student/CSUB/BC partnership.
3. Transfer seminars will be conducted at BC by the CSUB STEM Transfer Specialist each term. The purpose of the transfer seminars will be to acquaint students with the Dual Admission Program and to explain the requirements for transfer, including major preparation, general education patterns and the use of existing articulation agreements. In addition, the seminars will emphasize the need for regular academic advising.
4. A CSUB representative will attend periodic community college counselor meetings and Transfer Center Advisory meetings to discuss issues of mutual interest, e.g., updates on transfer policies/practices and academic program updates.
5. Bakersfield College will designate the Transfer Center Director to work with the CSUB STEM Transfer Specialist and students enrolled in this program. Student participants must meet the CSUB STEM Transfer Specialist every term, beginning with the first term of enrollment in the program, for purposes of setting goals to complete university admission requirements, considering available course offerings and meeting requirements of the Dual Admission program.

6. As part of this agreement, students who have been approved to participate will be allowed to enroll at CSUB in one course per term, at no cost, on a space available basis and with the approval of designated personnel. Registration will occur on the last day of priority registration. All prerequisites required to enroll in a CSUB course must be satisfied prior to cross enrollment. To register students will present the course registration form to the CSUB STEM Transfer Specialist.
7. Students granted dual admission to CSUB and BC must have and maintain an overall grade point average of 2.0 or higher throughout the program. The student will be entitled to additional services at the university throughout his/her community college enrollment, e.g., California State University campus photo ID card, library access and opportunity to cross enroll without paying instructional fees on a space-available basis in one course per term for which he/she has met prerequisites and for which he/she is eligible. Access to co-curricular CSUB student programs and events will be available to program participants at the same rate assessed to CSUB students provided they do not require student fees for participation. CSUB agrees to distribute information to dual admission participants regarding co-curricular activities for the academic year as of the start of each term.
8. The CSUB STEM Transfer Specialist and the BC Transfer Center Director will meet to address outstanding programmatic specifications and details that may emerge from this agreement and will jointly offer implementation guidelines as needed.
9. Both parties agree to jointly design and implement a campaign to promote this agreement to potential participants. This effort will include the identification of the population that will be targeted for focused activity each year, and the development of an associated plan designed to enhance the number of BC students transferring to CSUB.
10. A calendar of transfer program activities will be jointly developed for distribution to students.
11. In support of expanding the number of BC students transferring to CSUB and for purposes of facilitating this agreement, BC agrees, each term, to inform all newly enrolled students (who may have an interest in completing a baccalaureate degree in a relevant program) of the existence of the Dual Admission program with CSUB and to provide CSUB with access to student transcripts.
12. Effective the first term dual admission students formally enroll at CSUB, the university agrees to generate information on the status of these students to BC as requested.
13. Both parties agree to the greatest degree that is practical, enrollment and financial aid records of dually-admitted students will be shared, helping to ensure students a seamless transfer and minimal record redundancy. The California State University and the California Community Colleges will pursue jointly technology-based strategies to achieve this goal.
14. Following matriculation of STEM program participants, the California State University, Bakersfield will provide priority registration to students who maintain their grade point average.
15. Both parties agree to develop a process to annually evaluate the effectiveness of this agreement, provisions, costs, processes/procedures, etc. and make modifications as needed to achieve its stated goals. In addition, both parties agree to establish long-term measurable goals related to the number of students transferring from the BC to CSUB. This may include the establishment of benchmarks to monitor the achievement of established goals and the identification of data to be collected and analyzed.
16. Both parties agree that the term of this agreement shall be three years. After three years, this agreement shall be re-evaluated. This agreement shall be modified in writing with the same formality as the original agreement. Either party may withdraw from this agreement upon written notification to the other institution with the understanding that commitments made to students who have signed such an agreement will be honored.

For

California State University, Bakersfield

President (or authorized designee)

Date

For

California State University (CSU) Chancellor's Office

Chancellor (or authorized designee)

Date

For

Bakersfield Community College

President (or authorized designee)

Date

For

Kern Community College District (KCCD)

Chancellor (or authorized designee)

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