An Articulation Agreement Between The Board of Trustees of Illinois State University and Lincoln Christian University

Lincoln Christian University and the Board of Trustees of Illinois State University (ISU) hereby form a cooperative relationship through this articulation agreement to better serve our public constituents, to smooth transfer, and to minimize duplication of instruction. Both institutions recognize that by working together, their collective efforts are stronger than their individual efforts.

The two institutions agree to the following:

- Acceptance into a specific ISU degree program is based on each individual transfer student meeting the
 conditions and considerations listed for that program. Specifically, students successfully completing the
 recommended coursework in the Elementary Education degree program at Lincoln Christian University,
 prescribed in the Transfer Guide attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit A, will be admitted to the
 Bachelor of Science degree in the Elementary Education program at ISU, subject to available capacity in the
 degree program.
- 2 Students who apply for the Elementary Education program at ISU must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 (if student has attended multiple schools, the transfer GPA must be a 3.0 of all institutions attended) and apply between the dates of August 1 and January 15 for summer/fall admission and between April 1 and August 1 for spring admission to the major.
- 3. The courses listed in the attached Transfer Guide that prescribes Lincoln Christian University courses have been reviewed and accepted for transfer to ISU as part of the B.S. in Elementary Education program. Students must meet all ISU graduation requirements, including General Education, as a condition of receiving the ISU B.S. degree.
- 4. This agreement does not guarantee admission for students seeking readmission or reinstatement to Illinois State University.
- 5. Relationships between Lincoln Christian University and ISU faculty and administration are in the spirit of cooperation and provide the basis of this agreement.
- 6. Representatives of both institutions agree to meet on a regular basis to assess curricular changes and other conditions that may affect the nature of the agreement.
- 7. This agreement does not preclude either institution from making curriculum changes, as it may solely deem appropriate, in which case appropriate notice will be given to the operative academic personnel at the cooperating institution.
- 8. Appropriate publications and promotional materials regarding this agreement will be made available by Lincoln Christian University to all Lincoln Christian University students who express interest in the program.
- 9. Either ISU or Lincoln Christian University may terminate this agreement by giving one year's advance notice to the cooperating institution's president or academic vice president. All students admitted to ISU or enrolled at ISU at the time of such termination becomes effective shall be permitted the opportunity to complete their degree or program upon such terms and conditions as were in effect at the time the student was admitted.
- 10. This agreement is effective with the 2021-2022 academic year and is subject to renewal biennially for a total period not to exceed 10 years as mutually agreed upon by both parties.

- 11. It is understood and agreed that neither party to this Agreement shall be legally liable for any negligent or wrongful acts, either of commission or omission, of the other, unless such liability is imposed by law and this Agreement shall not be construed as seeking to either enlarge or diminish any obligation or duty owed by one party against the other or against third parties.
- 12. Both parties agree to comply with all applicable federal and state nondiscrimination, equal opportunity and affirmative action laws, orders and regulations. Neither party shall engage in unlawful discrimination or harassment against any person because of race, color, ancestry, national origin, religion, pregnancy, sexual orientation, order of protection, gender identity and expression, age, marital status, disability, genetic information, unfavorable military discharge, status as a veteran, or sex (including sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking).
- 13. The relationship of each party to the other under this Agreement shall be that of independent contractor, and no employment partnership or joint venture relationship shall be created by the entry into or performance of this Agreement by the parties.
- 14. Both parties affirm that, to the best of its knowledge, there exists no actual or potential conflict between such party's family, business, or financial interests and its obligations under this Agreement; and, in the event of change in either its private interests or obligations under this Agreement, and such party will raise to the other any questions regarding possible conflict of interest which may arise as a result of such change.
- 15. This Agreement may not be assigned by either party without the prior written consent of the other party. Such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Agreement, attachments, and incorporated references shall constitute the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the content of said Agreement. This Agreement may not be amended by either party unless such amendment is mutually acceptable to both parties and is reduced to writing and signed by both parties.
- 16. The failure of either party to enforce such provision hereof shall not be construed as a waiver of such party's right to enforce such provisions in the future. In the event that any provision of this Agreement shall be held to be void, voidable or otherwise unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Illinois, without regard to the conflicts of laws. Any dispute arising hereunder shall be brought only in the appropriate courts located in Illinois. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, including by facsimile signature, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute a single instrument.
- 17. Any notice required hereunder shall be deemed given when delivered in person or three (3) days after being sent by first class mall to the following addresses, which may be changed by notice provided pursuant to this agreement:

For ISU:

Kelli Appel

Director of Enrollment and Transition Services College of Education, Illinois State University Campus Box 5300, DeGarmo 506

Normal, IL 61790-5300

For Lincoln Christian University:

Dr. Peter Verkruyse **Interim Vice President of Academics Lincoln Christian University** 100 Campus View Drive Lincoln, IL 62656

In WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement of the date first written above.

The Board of Trustees of Illinois State University

Lincoln Christian University

Dr. Aondover Tarhyle, Provost

Date

Dr. Silas McCormick, President

Date

8-25-21

Reviewed and Approved as to legal form Office of General Counsel

Recommended Elementary Transfer Guide Lincoln Christian University to Illinois State University (Exhibit A)

Linco	oln Christian University Courses (ISU course equivalents)
	BI 111 Intro to the Bible (H5 901) (Any IAI Fine Arts or Humanities)
	ED 238 Child Growth (TCH 210)
_	ED 223 Children's Literature (ENG 170)
	ED 237 Survey of the Exceptional Child (SED 101)
	HI 141 American History (S2 900)
_	IDL 212 Film as Literature- (HF 908) (Any IAI Fine Arts)
	LA 101 Writing Studies I (ENG 101)
_	LA 113 Introduction to Speech (COM 110)
	LA 102 Writing Studies II (ENG 145)
	MA 152 Numeric Reasoning II (MAT 152)
_	SC 157 Chemistry and Society (CHE 102)
_	SC 241 Weather and Climate (P1 905)
	SS 223 World Geography (GEO 135)
	SS 261 Principles of Economics (ECO 105)
	SS 263 Citizens and Government (POL 106)
Illino	is State University Courses
	Any IAI Fine Arts or Humanities
	ART 204 Visual Art in Elem OR DAN Dance in Elem OR MUS 277 Music in Elem OR THE 281 Theatre in Ele
_	BSC 101 Fundamental Concepts in Biology
	EAF 228 Social Foundations OR EAF 231 Philosophy of Education OR EAF 235 Historical Foundations
_	KNR 222 Physical Education for Elementary Classroom (P: 30+ earned hours)
_	MAT 119 College Algebra OR Test Out of Requirement
_	MAT 130 Dimensions of Numerical Reasoning
	MAT 201 Teaching Mathematics in Elementary (P: C or better in MAT 130 and 152, 60+ hrs.)
_	STT 399A50 Student Teaching in Elementary School (full semester 12 credit hours; con.reg TCH 391)
_	TCH 204 Elementary Education: Practices & Issues (P: TCH 210; con.reg. in TCH 205 and 208)
_	TCH 205 Elementary Education Clinical I (P: TCH 210; con.reg. in TCH 204 and TCH 208)
_	TCH 208 Literacy I: Reading & Language Arts (P: TCH 210; cone.reg. in TCH 204 and 205)
_	TCH 209 Literacy II: Reading & Language Arts in Elementary (P: TCH 208 taken within 7 years)
_	TCH 247 Science Inquiry in Elementary Schools (P: TCH 210)
_	TCH 248 Foundations for English Learners OR TCH 318 Strategies for Teaching English Learners
	TCH 257 Science Methods (P: TCH 208 and 209 w/in 7 years; con.reg. TCH 258, TCH 260 and TCH 264)
	TCH 258 Social Studies Methods (P: TCH 208 and 209 w/in 7 years; con.reg TCH 257, 260 and TCH 264)
	TCH 260 Elementary Education Clinical II (P: cone.reg TCH 257, TCH and TCH 264)
	TCH 264 Language Arts Instructional Strategies (P: TCH 208 and 209 w/in 7 years)
_	TCH 391 Teaching for Equity in Elementary Classroom: Assessment (P: cone.reg in STT 399A50)
_	Endorsement/Elective track course #1:
	Endorsement/Elective track course #2
	Endorsement/Elective Track course #3