

DATE: March 1, 2017

TO: Jen Booth, University Registrar; James Lanpher, Provost

FROM: Bryan Beyer

RE: Articulation agreement with Vox Bivium, Travelers Rest, SC

## PURPOSE:

The purpose of this agreement is to define the cooperating relationship between Vox Bivium (VB) and Columbia International University (CIU) as it relates to students transferring into CIU after completion of the one-year program at VB. The key responsibilities of each institution are enumerated below to enable VB students to be awarded institutional credit when transferring to CIU.

## COMPATABILITY OF INSTITUTIONAL MISSIONS:

CIU and VB are independent legal organizations, each governed by its own board of directors. The two institutions will maintain the integrity of their separate programs. At CIU, the educational unit that will implement this agreement is the College of Arts and Sciences.

The mission of CIU is to educate people from a biblical worldview to impact the nations with the message of Christ. This mission is encapsulated in the motto, "To know Him and to make Him known." VB ("Voice at the Crossroads") is a new institution established in the spirit of Impact 360 (GA) and Torchbearers International. Their faculty identify with the core values of CIU and thus VB displays a kindred spirit with CIU.

## VB Agrees to:

VB agrees to promote CIU to students by having CIU brochures available, allowing a CIU recruiter to visit campus at least once a year, and by inviting CIU faculty to guest lecture/teach on occasion. VB will also provide a transcript for students who apply to CIU as their next step in the educational journey.

## CIU Agrees to:

CIU agrees to grant alumni of VB (i.e. those who complete the full year) 20 semester hours credit in accordance with our policy of awarding up to 2/3 credit for credit earned at non-accredited institutions. As part of the 20 hours VB students transfer in, CIU will count these students as having met the requirement for the following courses:

- BIB 1114 Old Testament Survey: Torah and History (3)
- BIB 1120 New Testament Survey (3)
- COM 2110 Public Speaking (3)
- ICS 1210 Discovering the Mission of God (3)
- MSD 1110 Encountering Spiritual Formation (3)

VB graduates may also attempt a CLEP exam for part of first-year English (ENG 1110, ENG 1111) or pass a proficiency exam on BIB 1115 Old Testament Survey: Poetry and Prophecy and/or THE 3301 Theology 1: God, Christ, Spirit to earn further credit. Any such exams must be completed within one calendar year of matriculation to CIU.

CIU and VB will review this policy every five years.

Josh Pederson, Founder

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