GUARANTEED ADMISSION AGREEMENT
Blue Ridge Community College
and
Bridgewater College

The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate transfer of qualified Blue Ridge Community College students to Bridgewater College. Bridgewater College will guarantee admission (Guaranteed Admission Agreement) to Blue Ridge Community College students who:

1. Complete all requirements of the Associate in Arts and Sciences (AA&S) Degree Program in the College Transfer Program.
2. Have an overall grade point average of at least 2.5 in all college work attempted at Blue Ridge Community College and elsewhere.
3. Complete a Bridgewater College application form following the completion of at least 45 credits at Blue Ridge Community College (and elsewhere).
4. Apply for graduation from Blue Ridge Community College. For guaranteed admission, a student must have graduated from Blue Ridge Community College within two years of matriculation at Bridgewater.
5. Complete and sign a Letter of Intent form at least one semester prior to projected Bridgewater enrollment.

General Guidelines

1. By working with a Blue Ridge Community College counselor and the Transfer Coordinator at Bridgewater College and selecting appropriate elective courses (including science and mathematics), a Blue Ridge Community College student in the AA&S College Transfer Program will satisfy most of the general education requirements at Bridgewater.
2. Although they may be part of the Associate Degree earned at Blue Ridge Community College, Bridgewater College will not transfer credit for grades less than C.
3. Although a student with at least 60 transferable credits will be awarded junior status, Bridgewater College cannot guarantee that the student will be able to graduate in 2 years. In the process of meeting the various degree requirements, students may be required to take more than the 123 credits (including transfer credits) that are required for the Baccalaureate Degree at Bridgewater. In addition to total credits, they must be the “right” credits.

4. Students who plan to transfer to Bridgewater College should work with a Blue Ridge Community College counselor and the Transfer Coordinator at Bridgewater to select available Blue Ridge courses for the proposed major at Bridgewater. This is especially important in programs that are highly structured—e.g., Business Administration, Education, Science, Mathematics and Athletic Training. By taking courses at Blue Ridge Community College for the proposed major at Bridgewater College, students will probably satisfy fewer of the general education requirements at Bridgewater. This will lead to more of a “blending” of courses at Bridgewater, which is ideal.

5. Although most of the majors at Bridgewater College do not have limitations on enrollment, acceptance to Bridgewater through the Guaranteed Admission Agreement cannot be interpreted as acceptance into a specific major.

6. Blue Ridge Community College students admitted to Bridgewater under the Guaranteed Admission Agreement will be eligible to receive financial aid from Bridgewater. Please contact the Bridgewater College Financial Aid Office for more information.

7. Bridgewater College will waive the application fee for students in the Guaranteed Admission Agreement Program.

8. Students will arrange for official transcripts of high school and all college work to be sent to the Transfer Coordinator in the Admissions Office at Bridgewater College. These materials should be received by March 1st for summer/fall enrollment and by November 1st for interterm/spring enrollment (followed by a final Blue Ridge Community College transcript indicating awarding of the AA&S degree).
The Guaranteed Admission Agreement will remain in effect until terminated by either party in writing to the other party. Such termination will be effective only if given one academic year prior to termination. The Guaranteed Admission Agreement may be revised periodically by mutual agreement.

The above conditions are mutually agreeable and will go into effect when signed by the institutional representatives as indicated.

Approved:

James Perkins, President
Blue Ridge Community College
6/27/05
Date

Phillip C. Stone, President
Bridgewater College
06/27/05
Date