## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING Between PALM BEACH STATE COLLEGE And HEALTH CAREER INSTITUTE FIRE SCIENCE

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to facilitate the transfer of students who complete Fire Science courses at Health Care Institute in West Palm Beach, Florida (HCI) into the Fire Science Technology AS degree from Palm Beach State College (PBSC).

HCI and PBSC agree to the following terms and conditions to facilitate the transfer of HCI students into PBSC's Fire Science Technology AS program:

- A. In order to be accepted into the PBSC Fire Science Technology AS, students must show proof of certification as a Florida firefighter or fire inspector before being accepted into any of the technical core or elective classes that make up this curriculum.
- B. Students who complete the following HCI courses will be granted the equivalent twenty one (21) required course credit in the PBSC Fire Science Technology AS:

HCI Fire Science Courses	Palm Beach State College Fire Science Technology AS 2195		
FFP 1505 Fire Prevention Practices FFP 1540 Private Fire Protection Systems I FFP 2120 Building Construction For The Fire Service FFP 1510 Fire Codes & Standards FFP 2521 Construction Documents & Plans Review FFP 2720 Company Officer FFP 1810 Fire Fighting Tactics & Strategy I	3 3 3 3 3 3	REQUIRED COURSES (30 CREDITS) FFP 1505 Fire Prevention FFP 1540 Private Fire Protection Systems FFP 2120 Building Construction Fire Protection FFP 2510 Related Fire Codes and Standards FFP 2521 Blueprint Reading and Plans Examination FFP 2720 Company Officer & Leadership FFP 2810 Firefighting Strategy and Tactics 1 TOTAL 2	3 3

C. Up to twelve (12) credits of the following HCI courses will apply toward the elective credits of the PBSC Fire Science Technology AS:

HCI Fire Science Courses		Palm Beach State College Fire Science Technology AS 2195			
			ELECTIVES	G (12 Credits)	
FFP 1301	Fire Hydraulics	3	FFP 1301	Fire Hydraulics	3
FFP 1302	Fire Apparatus & Equipment	3	FFP 1302	Fire Apparatus and Equipment	3
FFP 1824	1-200 Basic ICS (1.5 credits)	1.5	FFP 1824	Basic Incident Management System I-200	1
FFP 1825	1-300 Intermediate ICS (1.5 credits)	1.5	FFP 1825	Intermediate Incident Management Syst I-300	em I
FFP 1832	Emergency Response To Terrorism Basic Concepts	1	FFP 1832	Emergency Response to Terrorism	1
FFP 2111	Fire Chemistry	3	FFP 2111	Fire Chemistry	3
FFP 2401	Hazardous Materials I (For Emergency Operations)	3	FFP 2401	Hazardous Materials for Emergency Operations	3
FFP 2402	Hazardous Materials II	3	FFP 2402	Hazardous Materials for Emergency Operations 2	3
FFP 2423	Hazardous Materials III	3	FFP 2423C	Hazardous Materials 3	2
FFP 2541	Private Fire Protection Systems II	3	FFP 2541	Private Fire Protection Systems 2	3
FFP 2604	Fire Investigation & Arson	3	FFP 2604	Fire Investigation and Arson Detection	3
FFP 2610	Fire Investigation Origin & Cause	3	FFP 2610	Fire Investigation: Origin & Cause	3
FFP 2630	Latent Investigation	3	FFP 2630	Latent Investigations	3

FFP 2706 Public Information Officer	3	FFP 2706	Public Information Officer	3
FFP 1740 Fire Service Course Delivery	3	FFP 2740	Fire Service Course Delivery	3
FFP 2741 Fire Service Course Design	3	FFP 2741	Fire Service Course Design	3
FFP 2780 Fire Department Administration	3	FFP 2780	FIRE SERVICE ADMINISTRATION	3
FFP 2811 Fire Fighting Tactics & Strategy II	3	FFP 2811	Firefighting Strategy and Tactics 2	3

- D. Students must otherwise meet all other applicable PBSC transfer admission requirements and academic standards, as applied by PBSC in its academic discretion, including but not limited to those set forth in the PBSC Catalog. Changes in PBSC transfer requirements which may be implemented at PBSC's sole discretion, if any, will be communicated to HCI three months in advance of implementation, depending on the circumstances and what is feasible.
- E. PBSC may accept in transfer a maximum of 45 credit hours that meet the Fire Science Technology AS degree requirements. The rest of the program credits must be completed at Palm Beach State College.
- F. To be admitted to, and graduate from, PBSC, HCI students will be subject to all PBSC and any other applicable Florida regulations, policies and transfer admission and graduation requirements and standards, which include but are not limited to the following:
  - Credits will be held in escrow for the student until the required 25 % of the Fire Science Technology AS program credits have been completed at PBSC.
  - Timely and complete submission of an application for admission to PBSC at <a href="http://palmbeachstate.edu/x3604.xml">http://palmbeachstate.edu/x3604.xml</a> and an application to graduate online through the Pantherweb System (<a href="http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/PantherWeb.xml">http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/PantherWeb.xml</a>) by the deadline listed in the PBSC Academic Calendar.
- G. PBSC will, through PBSC student services, the Fire Science Technology AS Program Chair, and undergraduate advisors for the Fire Science Technology AS degree, counsel and advise HCI students concerning PBSC's transfer admission process.
- H. PBSC will also provide financial aid counseling to transferring HCI students. HCI students will be eligible to apply for scholarship funding available to all other PBSC students.
- I. Changes to this MOU by either institution can be incorporated only by a written amendment, as agreed to and signed by authorized representatives of both parties.
- J. This MOU is effective as of January 2012 and shall remain in effect for each successive academic year unless otherwise terminated by either institution.
- K. This MOU may be terminated without cause by either party upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party.
- L. If this MOU is terminated by either party, it will not affect students who have already been accepted and enrolled into the Fire Science Technology AS degree program.
- M. No party shall, except with prior written consent of the other party on each occasion, make any press or media announcements concerning this MOU, or use the name, logos, or trademarks of the other party, or any version, abbreviation, or representation of them, in any advertising or other form of publicity or fund raising, without the permission of the party whose name logo or trademark is sought to be used. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the

- parties may make factual statements during the term of this MOU to the general effect that this MOU exists, that it is between the parties, and that its purpose is to facilitate the transfer of HCI students into PBSC Fire Science Technology AS degree program.
- N. This Memorandum of Understanding between Palm Beach State College and Health Career Institute in West Palm Beach, Florida was accepted and approved by the participating entities on this Section day of Jeanny, 2012.

## **SIGNATURES**

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