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From: Jim Darden, President
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To: All N. C. Community College Hort. Dept. Chairs
All Participating NCSU Articulation Agreement Presidents

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B. Cornwell
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Subject: N. C. State/Community College Articulation Agreement

I am happy to announce that the agreement articulating transfer of course credits between eighteen North Carolina community college Horticulture departments and North Carolina State University has been completed. All five N. C. State signatures are on the document, and all eighteen community college presidents have signed as well. My president, Dr. William C. Aiken, has forwarded the document to Dr. John Cornwell and Dr. Bryce Lane at N. C. State. We assume that it will be a working agreement during the fall semester.

Enclosed please find a copy of the agreement, along with a copy of the list of signatories. I enjoyed visiting many of your campuses and discussing the agreement with your Presidents. The overwhelming consensus of the Presidents was that this is a tremendous step forward for our colleges and horticulture students. Several of the Presidents expressed a concern that there might be a SACS problem with those instructors who do not have a master's degree in Horticulture, or 18 hours in Horticulture or a closely aligned field.

I discussed the credentialing situation with Dr. Donald Reichard, President of Johnston Community College, who made some very comforting comments on this issue. He indicated that he a member of the governing body at SACS, has over 20 years of experience with SACS, and is "an expert" of issues such as this. His opinion is that we will NOT have a SACS problem. I have asked him to issue a statement on the matter, which I will include in this packet for you. If further questions remain on credentialing, Dr. Reichard seemed very knowledgeable and willing to discuss this matter authoritatively. I suggest that you handle this matter through your self-study committee, and if questions arise contact Dr. Reichard.

I am delighted that the agreement is now in place. Please feel free to contact me with any feedback or questions that might arise.

**MEMO**

TO: Jim Darden, Instructor
Horticulture Program
Sampson Community College

FROM: Donald L. Reichard *DLR*
President

DATE: August 6, 2001

RE: Faculty Credentials
Horticulture Program

I am glad to comment on the issue of faculty credentials for the Horticulture Program. Given the understanding that the new articulation agreement with North Carolina State University enables several of the horticulture classes to transfer, the *SACS Criteria* (1998, page 42) states:

Each full-time and part-time faculty member teaching credit courses in professional occupational and technical areas that are components of associate degree programs not usually resulting in college transfer, or in the continuation of students in senior institutions, must possess appropriate academic preparation or academic preparation coupled with work experience. The minimum academic degree for faculty teaching in professional, occupational and technical areas must be at the same level at which the faculty member is teaching. The typical combination is a baccalaureate degree with appropriate work experience.

It is clear to me, too, the Horticulture Program that we offer in our system is not designed for transfer to senior institutions nor do a substantial number of students transfer to senior institutions. The above requirement is the one that applies. Even though several of the courses in the Horticulture Program may transfer does not trigger a requirement that faculty credentials exceed those stated above.

In my tenure as a commissioner, I have read many visiting teams reports and what I have stated here has been the norm.

If some future visiting teams to our institutions that offer horticulture take exception, the colleges will have to fight that on a case-by-case basis.

Thank you.

AN ARTICULATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN
Department of Horticultural Science, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences,
North Carolina State University

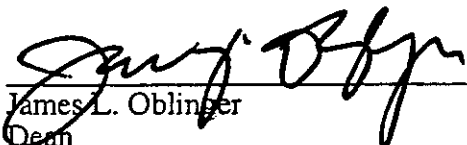
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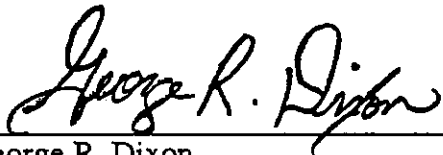
Horticulture Programs at 18 NC Community Colleges
(Listed Below)

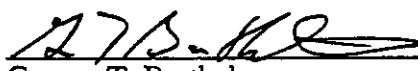
This articulation agreement between the Department of Horticultural Science at North Carolina State University and the Horticulture programs at the NC Community Colleges listed below was developed in recognition of the need to provide educational opportunities for citizens of North Carolina, to develop human resources for and in conjunction with the horticulture industries, and to continue to improve working relationships between post-secondary institutions within the state of North Carolina. This articulation agreement consists of course equivalencies which facilitate the transfer of students enrolled in horticulture programs at the above listed community colleges and the Agricultural Institute and baccalaureate-degree programs in the Department of Horticultural Science at North Carolina State University. This agreement only addresses course work in horticulture and does not change the general education requirements for transfer admission to NC State University as set by the Department of Admissions.

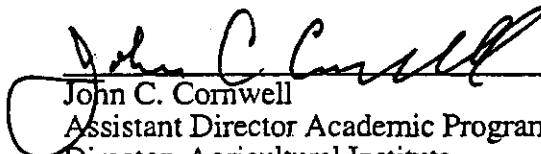
This agreement may be revised when mutually acceptable and as necessary pending curricular changes at the respective institutions.

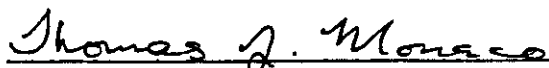
Signed:


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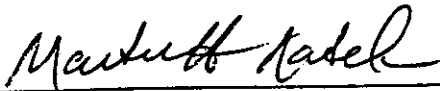
If a student wishes to transfer into NC State University from a horticulture program at a NC Community College he/she will need to have a minimum contingent of General Education courses such as, 6 hours of college english, 3 hours of pre-calculus, a 4 hour biology with a lab, and other social science and humanities courses for a minimum of 15 hours of general education courses.

The following chart represents a one for one transfer of the identified community college horticulture core course and the acceptable NC State Horticultural Science course at the listed undergraduate level.

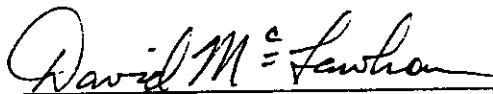
<u>Community College Core</u>	<u>NC State 4-year Hort.</u>	<u>NC State 2-yr. Hort.</u>
HOR 162 (3) Applied Plant Science	HS 201 (3) Principles of Hort.	HS 015 (3) Plant Growth & Dev.
HOR 160 (3) Plant Materials I	HS Dept. Elective (3) Gen. Hort. Dept elective	HS 011 (3) Plant Identification
HOR 168 (3) Plant Propagation	HS Dept. Elec. (3) Gen. Hort. Dept. Elective	HS 021 (3) Plant Propagation
HOR 164 (3) Hort. Pest Mgt.	Plant Protection Elect.(3)	PP 055 (3) Diseases of Orn. & Turf

Any additional Horticulture course work taken at the Community College will be evaluated by the Undergraduate Program Coordinator in Horticultural Science at NC State on a case by case basis for determination of transfer potential. To receive a BS degree in Horticultural Science from NC State University, transfer students must complete more than half of their Horticulture course requirements at NC State.

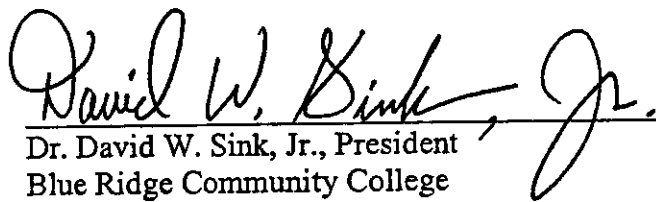
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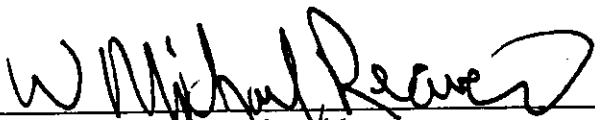
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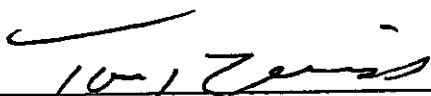
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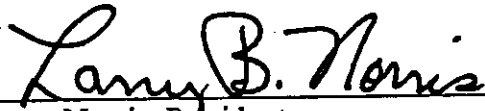


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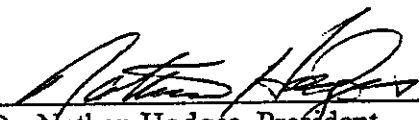
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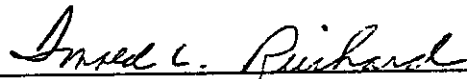
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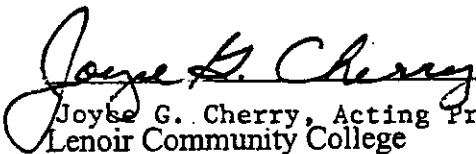
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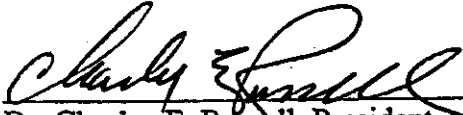


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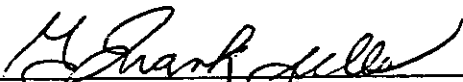
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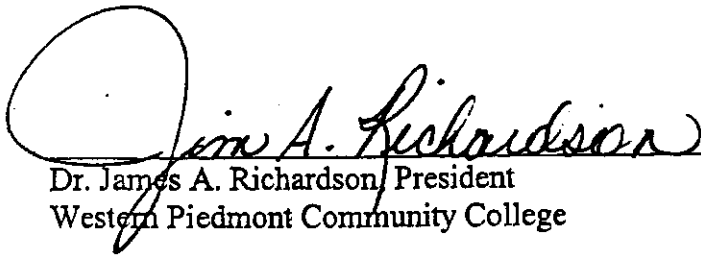
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