

# Articulation Agreement

Between

**Yakima Valley College**

Associate of Applied Science/Transfer in Criminal Justice



And

**Heritage University**

Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice



June 1, 2024

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### **Article I – Agreement on Principle**

Heritage University (hereafter HU) and Yakima Valley College (hereafter YVC) agree that students who begin their studies at YVC and transfer to HU to earn a bachelor's degree should experience a smooth transition that minimizes loss of credit and duplication of coursework. HU and YVC enter into this agreement as cooperating, equal partners who shall maintain the integrity of their separate programs.

### **Article II – Agreement of Program Specifics**

Admission to a HU undergraduate Criminal Justice program is ensured to students who complete the AAS-T. YVC graduates within or under this agreement receive equal consideration with others seeking admission or financial aid.

- Courses that Transfer: specific courses that will transfer are listed on the attached Transfer Guide (YVC Program Worksheet) – Appendix A.
- Based on the courses that are determined to transfer, below is the maximum number of YVC credits that will transfer to HU to fulfill specific requirements (or electives) in the Criminal Justice program:
  - Criminal Justice: Total 90-93 credits from YVC
- The Transfer Guide will be updated regularly to reflect new and discontinued classes.
- Students who are completing the YVC associate's degree are encouraged to select the YVC humanities and social science courses that also fulfill HU's Core Curriculum

If applicable: YVC students do not need to complete the entire associate's degree to benefit from this agreement. However, students are strongly encouraged to complete the degree at YVC.

### **Article III – Agreement on Communication**

HU and YVC agree to cooperate in communication with each other and with their common and respective publics concerning the established relationship between the two institutions. Faculty and staff at both institutions will share the information in this agreement with interested and qualified students and both institutions will provide counseling and advising to current and prospective students.

*YVC students are strongly encouraged to contact both YVC advisors and HU Criminal Justice advisors as early as possible to put together a customized program plan for courses at both YVC and HU.*

### **Article IV – Maintenance and Review Procedures**

HU and YVC agree to identify at least one individual (HU Criminal Justice Department Chair and YVC Criminal Justice Department Chair) at each institution to evaluate the continuing effectiveness of this agreement, to facilitate changes to and development of the program, and to advise students in exceptional situations.

- If there are any proposed changes to the courses or curriculum connected to this agreement during the effective dates, the institution proposing said changes must notify the other institution prior to sending items through their respective curriculum committees.
- Proposed changes would facilitate an agreement reopener.

### **Effective Dates**

**This agreement is effective as of June 1, 2024 until June □, 2027.**

Early in the third year, the agreement will be reviewed for revisions and renewal. If not renewed, students who designated this program agreement before its termination will have three additional years to be admitted under the terms of this agreement. This agreement is eligible for renewal in 2027.

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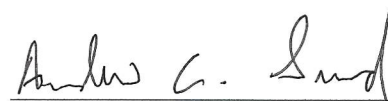
**Heritage University – BA/Criminal Justice**

YVC and HU agree to the terms of this agreement, which will be in effect  
from June 1, 2024 to June □, 20□


## Yakima Valley College


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