

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between
Tacoma Community College (TCC) and
University of Washington Tacoma's Milgard School of Business (MSB)

The purpose of this agreement is to provide an educational pathway for graduates of Tacoma Community College Bachelor of Applied Science degrees into the Master of Science in Business Analytics (MSBA) in the Milgard School of Business at the University of Washington Tacoma.

TCC Degrees Eligible for entry into the Master of Science in Business Analytics in the Milgard School of Business

Bachelor of Applied Science Community Health

Bachelor of Applied Science Health Information Management

Bachelor of Applied Science Applied Management

Bachelor of Applied Science Information Technology

UW Tacoma Degrees Available to TCC BAS degree holders

Master of Science in Business Analytics

Admission Requirements

Qualified student applicants must meet the minimum requirements of admission to the Master of Science in Business Analytics and will be evaluated individually by the Milgard School of Business. The minimum requirements are:

- Submission of an online application
- Personal Statement
- Resume
- Transcripts
- Prerequisite self-review
- Contact information for two references
- Video interview recording

Milgard School of Business Responsibilities

Under this agreement the MSBA program will:

- Provide prospective students access to advisors for assistance in preparing the application
- Display the TCC logo, degree program information and link on appropriate websites
- Conduct a graduate program information session once per quarter for TCC students
- Attend at least one career fair at TCC per academic year
- Provide informational documents for distribution to potential students
- Conduct other communication efforts to prospective students as agreed upon between the institutions
- Provide priority application review by October 1 and reserve three seats per year for TCC BAS students
- Provide a GMAT/GRE waiver

- Create recommended prerequisite courses for each TCC degree
- Provide a 25% discount on prerequisite courses through the Center for Business Analytics at the Milgard School of Business

Tacoma Community College Agreement Responsibilities

In reciprocation Tacoma Community College's BAS program will:

- Communicate to junior and senior BAS students the pathway to the MSBA. The communication would include verbal, written and/or electronic notification to potential students in a timely manner. The communication would include, but is not limited to:
 - Posting flyers marketing the pathway
 - Providing information in advising sessions, classroom presentations, etc.
 - Highlighting the UW Tacoma logo and degree program information and link on appropriate websites
 - Advertising quarterly Information Sessions
 - Conduct other communication efforts to prospective students as agreed upon between the institutions.

Term; Annual Review; Termination

The term of this Agreement shall be for five years, effective on the date last signed by all parties (the "Effective Date"1). The parties agree to review this Agreement and the Program yearly at a time mutually convenient for the Parties but aiming for approximately the anniversary of the Effective Date. Each party has the right to make changes to its curricula and enrollment standards to maintain its academic integrity and meet accreditation standards. Such changes must be communicated in writing between respective administrators as they occur. Any change will be recorded as an addendum.

Either party may terminate this Agreement for convenience by giving written notice to the other party's designated representative at least 60 days prior to the commencement of a new academic year. This Agreement can be terminated at any time by mutual written Agreement. Upon notification of termination both institutions will work together to fully support students already in the process of transfer under this Agreement not to exceed one year.

Indemnification and Insurance

TCC hereby agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold MSB harmless from and against any and all claims, demands, actions, damages, losses, liabilities, costs, and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred as a result of any litigation or appeal (collectively, "Damage arising from: (1) TCC's or its agents', employees', contractors', or licensees' negligence or intentional acts, and (2) TCC's breach of any term of this Agreement.

MSB hereby agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold TCC harmless from and against any and all Damages arising from: (1) MSB's or its agents', employees', negligence or intentional acts while performing its obligations under this Agreement, and (2) MSB's breach of any term of this Agreement.

In the event of concurrent negligence of TCC or MSB, or their agents, or employees, on the one hand, and that of TCC or MSB, or their agents, or employees 1 on the other hand, TCC's and MSB's obligation to indemnify each other shall be limited to the extent of TCC's or MSB's negligence, including TCC's or MSB's proportional share of costs, attorney's fees and expenses incurred in connection with any claim, action or proceeding brought with respect to such Damage.

The Parties agree to provide each other proof of insurance upon request.

Entire Agreement; Modifications


This Agreement contains the entire Agreement of the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. This Agreement may be modified or amended only by mutual written Agreement signed by the authorized representative of each Party.

Independence of Parties

The Parties are independent contractors. Nothing contained in this Agreement will constitute either Party serving as the agent, partner, or legal representative of the other Party for any purpose, or constitute the Parties as partners or joint ventures. Neither Party has any right, power, or authority to create any obligation or responsibility on behalf of the other.

The Parties have signed below to indicate their acceptance of the terms of this Agreement.


Signed,

Haluk Demirkan 

Name (print and sign)
Director of MSBA, Milgard School of Business, UW Tacoma

Position, MSB
10/15/2020

Date

Altaf Merchant 

Name (print and sign)
Interim Dean, Milgard School of Business, UW Tacoma

Position, MSB
10/15/2020

Date

Krista Fox 

Name (print and sign)
Dean of Health, Business & Prof Svcs, TCC

10/5/2020

Date

Marissa Schlesinger 

Name (print and sign)
Provost & Vice-President for Academic
Affairs

Position, TCC
10/15/2020

Date