



## Memorandum of Understanding

### I. Introduction

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Colorado Technical University (CTU) and the Defense Acquisition University (DAU) is designed to facilitate the award of Prior Learning Assessment ("PLA") credit to applicants who seek admission to CTU, and who have successfully completed certain courses offered by DAU. This MOU supersedes any prior agreement between the two parties.

By entering into this understanding, the parties agree that:

- The courses offered by DAU listed in Exhibit A (the "Approved Courses") have been evaluated under the Prior Learning Assessment ("PLA") process of CTU and determined to be eligible for the award of CTU credit as described in Exhibit A; and
- The Approved Courses have been deemed applicable to specific degree programs at CTU; however, the specific grant of PLA credit, and the manner in which such credit may be applied, will depend on the relevance of each of the Approved Courses to an individual applicant's program of study, as determined by CTU in its sole discretion.

### II. Terms

The award of PLA credit for the Approved Courses will be subject to the following conditions:

1. Only Approved Courses in which a student has completed a DAU certificate -will be accepted for PLA credit.
2. CTU's application fee will be waived for all students seeking PLA credits for Approved Courses.
3. Determination of course requirements for PLA credits for Approved Courses, including required introductory, prerequisite and related courses, is the sole prerogative of CTU.
4. CTU may at its sole discretion limit the number of PLA credits that a student may use, either in general or with regard to specific CTU programs.
5. Notwithstanding the recommendations of the ACE College Credit Recognition Service respecting the credits that may be ascribed to any of the Approved Courses, CTU retains the absolute right to determine the number of credits to be ascribed to any Approved Course, as set forth in Exhibit A.

6. All course credit, distribution and graduation requirements are at the sole and exclusive discretion of CTU.
7. DAU courses that are not listed in Exhibit A will not be considered for PLA credit. DAU may at any time submit courses for CTU's consideration, and CTU may, at its sole discretion, determine such to be an Approved Course to be included in Exhibit A.

### **III. The Role of CTU**

1. Provide DAU with informational and support materials to share with interested students.
2. Provide academic advising services to students who will be requesting a Prior Learning Assessment for Approved Courses completed through DAU. These services will be provided by telephone, email, and/or onsite at an CTU campus.
3. Respond directly to students who elect to apply for admission to a degree program at the University but who do not meet admission requirements.
4. Promptly notify DAU of any material changes in program or course requirements which may affect Prior Learning Assessment of any of the Approved Courses. Notwithstanding the foregoing, CTU may at any time make any changes in its curriculum as it deems appropriate and necessary.

### **IV. The Role of DAU**

1. Post information about CTU courses at the DAU Ticker and place CTU course brochures and other literature in strategic locations at DAU campuses so students can find out about degree programs offered by CTU. Contact students enrolled in the Approved Courses who have indicated an interest in the University's degree programs.
2. Assist CTU in the distribution of PLA materials to current and former students.
3. Certify and document on the student transcript that the student has received credit pursuant to a PLA for the Approved Courses for which credit is granted.
4. Promptly notify CTU of any material changes in the curriculum, syllabus or content of any Approved Course prior to offering any such Approved Course for CTU Prior Learning Assessment.
5. DAU posts course changes and new courses at the DAU iCatalog. If CTU has any questions on changes, request they contact our Program Director for Equivalency at 703-805-4090.

## **V. Additional Terms**

1. Any prepared statements by either CTU or DAU that reference a relationship between the organizations must be approved in writing by each party prior to any publication or distribution in any medium.
2. Prior Learning Assessment literature will be updated by CTU as required and at least annually.
3. Either party to this MOU may terminate the arrangement specified herein without cause upon ten (10) days' written notification.
4. CTU may immediately suspend the arrangement specified herein if any regulatory agency advises CTU that the arrangement may violate any applicable law, regulation, standard or policy, and may immediately terminate the arrangement if any such agency determines that such a violation exists.
5. Upon giving or receiving notice of any such termination, CTU will promptly cease to accept the Approved Courses for PLA, and each party will be responsible for amending any publications or websites as needed and for disposing of any brochures or related materials at their own locations.
6. CTU or DAU may use the other party's name or logo in published materials (e.g. Web site and catalog) to reference this agreement or contact information/links to the other party. Content and text of all promotional information must be provided by each party prior to the release.
7. No agreements concerning the transfer or exchange of any assets of either party is intended or implied by this memorandum. CTU and DAU are separate and independent institutions of higher education and by this agreement will continue to operate as separate institutions. The administrators of CTU and DAU are authorized to sign, prepare and implement plans of action and procedures necessary to affect this agreement.
8. As this strategic partnership evolves and specific opportunities for additional partnering and collaboration are identified on our programs, this Memorandum of Understanding will be updated with addenda that will reflect bilateral or multilateral agreements as appropriate.

Defense Acquisition University (DAU)

Colorado Tech University (CTU)

By James S. McMichael

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Title Vice President

Title COO

Date 3-20, 2012

Date 3-12, 2012



PMT 401 or other equivalent courses	SE 600
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<b>Defense Acquisition University (DAU)</b>	<b>Colorado Technical University</b>
SPRDE -PSE Level II or SPRDE-SE Levels III or ACQ401 – Senior Acquisition Course	This course is applicable to use towards SE630.

<b>Defense Acquisition University (DAU)</b>	<b>Colorado Technical University</b>
SPRDE -PSE Level II & III or SPRDE-SE Levels II & III or ACQ201A – Intermediate Systems Acquisition, Part A ACQ201B – Intermediate Systems Acquisition, Part B ACQ370 – Acquisition Law or equivalent courses	SE 630  Student must have completed all three courses to be applicable to receive credit for SE630.

**DAU to CTU Master of Science in Information Technology**

<b>Defense Acquisition University (DAU)</b>	<b>Colorado Technical University</b>
Information Technology Level I	DAWIA certification. Student must have completed all courses necessary to IT Level I to be applicable to receive credit for CS653 and PM600.

<b>Defense Acquisition University (DAU)</b>	<b>Colorado Technical University</b>
Information Technology Level II & III	DAWIA certification. Student must have completed all courses necessary

	to IT Level II to be applicable to receive credit for CS653, IT644 and PM600.
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**DAU to CTU Master of Science in Management - Project Management**

<b>Defense Acquisition University (DAU)</b>	<b>Colorado Technical University</b>
Program Management (PgM) Level I or II	DAWIA certification. Student must have completed all courses necessary to PgM Level II to be applicable to receive credit for PM600, PM610, PM620, & PM630 (16 credits)
Program Management Level III	16 credits above plus INTD 670 (20 transfer credits)

**DAU to CTU Master of Science - Accounting**

<b>Defense Acquisition University (DAU)</b>	<b>Colorado Technical University</b>
Auditing Level I	DAWIA certification. Student must have completed all courses necessary to Auditing Level I to be applicable to receive 16 credits

**DAU to CTU Master of Business Administration - Logistics/Supply Chain Management**

<b>Defense Acquisition University (DAU)</b>	<b>Colorado Technical University</b>
Life Cycle Logistics Level I or Production, Quality & Manufacturing Level I	DAWIA certification. Student must have completed all courses necessary to Life Cycle Logistics, & Production, Quality, & Manufacturing Level I to be applicable to receive 12 credits
Life Cycle Logistics Level II & III or Production, Quality & Manufacturing Level II& III	12 credits above plus INTD 670 (16 transfer credits)

**DAU to CTU Master of Business Administration - Finance**

<b>Defense Acquisition University (DAU)</b> Business Financial Management Level II & III	<b>Colorado Technical University</b> DAWIA certification. Student must have completed all courses necessary to Business Financial Management Level II & III to be applicable to receive 12 credits
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