2015-2016 CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT POLICY

What is a consortium agreement?

A consortium agreement is a contract between the student, Ohio University, and the Host Institution (Partnership Campus). The agreement permits the Ohio University Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships to process financial aid based on the combined registered hours at both colleges for each term of the academic year.

Before you get started…

**You must be enrolled in at least one Ohio University course in order to receive financial aid for dual enrollment at Ohio University and another college.**

**If you have financial aid awarded to you by your partnership college, you need to request a cancellation of your award offer and any pending aid so that Ohio University may award you as you pursue the Online Bachelor Completion Program or RN to BSN Degree Program. You are not permitted to obtain federal financial aid from both institutions.**

**By completing the Host (Partner) Institution section of this agreement, the Host (Partner) Institution agrees NOT to process any federal financial aid for you as a guest student. If this agreement is violated, your federal financial aid awards may be revoked by one or both institutions. It is your responsibility to ensure that you are only receiving federal aid from Ohio University.**

**You will most likely be required to pay the Host (Partner) Institution prior to financial aid being refunded to you at Ohio University. If you do not pay for the class listed on the agreement and you are cancelled out of your class due to non-payment, the consortium agreement is voided and if you wish to still receive aid via dual-enrollment, you must re-register and submit a new consortium agreement form. Textbook vouchers are not issued to Ohio University students – all books must be paid for out-of-pocket and prior to the start of classes.**

**If all sections are not submitted with appropriate certification and signatures, your consortium agreement will be incomplete, which will delay the processing of your financial aid award. If your consortium agreement form is received after the deadline for the semester, your financial aid may be delayed.**

Quick Start:

1) READ THE ENTIRE POLICY – You will need to sign and fax this policy back to the office before any consortium agreement will be processed. This form will expire on 4/30/2016. Fax to: 740-593-4140.

2) Print out eLearning OHIO Consortium Agreement form - [http://www.ohio.edu/ecampus/cost/finaid.htm](http://www.ohio.edu/ecampus/cost/finaid.htm)  
   [http://www.outreach.ohio.edu/bsn/financialaid.htm](http://www.outreach.ohio.edu/bsn/financialaid.htm)

3) Complete/sign the form and list the individual classes for your term at each institution on page three.

Fax the consortium agreement form as well as a copy of your registration or fee invoice for the partnership college course(s) to your assigned Ohio University Academic Advisor.

**Non-Nursing students fax form to 740-593-2901 / BS 6417 (Customer Service) students fax form to 740-593-9310**

**Nursing Students fax form to 740-593-0286**

If you have any questions regarding this policy or submitting the consortium agreement form, please email your question(s) to financial.aid.elearn@ohio.edu. The Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships wishes you success in your study under this consortium agreement.
Post-Completion Requirement:

**At the end of the term, you must provide the Office of Undergraduate Admissions at Ohio University (120 Chubb Hall, Athens, OH 45701) with an official academic transcript upon completion of the consortium agreement term.**

**The official academic transcript must be postmarked within 14 days after your term ends or your aid could be reduced to reflect only Ohio University enrollment, and a hold will be placed on your record which will delay the disbursement of your financial aid for the next term.**

**This could cause a balance due back to the University on your student account which would prevent registration, as well as deny access to grades for completed classes until full payment is remitted.**

**Important Notice to Students:**

By signing the consortium agreement policy you are responsible for the following conditions:

* You must notify both institutions if you drop or withdraw from any or all of your courses. Your financial aid award is based on your enrollment, which will be verified and monitored throughout each term as well as after the term has ended. If you adjust your enrollment from the original course schedule provided and approved by your academic advisor, your financial aid may be adjusted which could cause you to have a balance due at one or both institutions.

* The Office of the Bursar at Ohio University will not disburse your financial aid to your community college, so you must pay for your tuition at the community college out of pocket. You will be able to reimburse yourself once the excess aid refund is sent to you. In addition, Ohio University does not provide textbook vouchers, so once you receive the excess aid refund, you can reimburse yourself for the cost of your textbooks as well as your tuition paid to your community college.

* If you have received student loans previously, you may need to request an in-school deferment from your loan servicer as you begin your degree program at Ohio University. To keep current loans deferred, you must enroll in a minimum of six or more credit hours at Ohio University, or via dual enrolled hours at Ohio University and your community college.

* In-School Loan Deferral Request Forms are processed by the Registrar’s Office (Fax # 740-593-0216). If you are dual enrolled via the consortium agreement, you will need to send an e-mail to the Registrar’s Office at the attention of Karen Perez to request the confirmation of your enrollment (perez@ohio.edu).

I have read, understood, and agree to all terms and conditions in this policy for the 2015-2016 aid year. I understand that if I do not comply with these terms and conditions that aid disbursed to me due to consortium agreement processing could be revoked and a balance could be due back to the university.

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Student’s Signature                                          Date

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Printed Name                                               OHIO ID