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National University
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Attn: Michael Latham, Registrar

National University

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Chair of ASSIST Board
820 University Tower
Irvine, CA 92612-1005

Dear Ms Linda Michalowski:

National University began its service of providing degree programs and educational opportunities to the community of adult learners just over 30 years ago. Today, National University is the second largest private university in California. The University has over 100,000 alumni, and presently, an FTE of approximately 17,000 students. About 30 per cent of the FTE count is undergraduate students, and many of these students transfer to the University from the California Community Colleges system, and the University of California and California State University systems.

National University understands the importance of establishing and maintaining a professional and collegial relationship with other institutions. The University is continually striving to build on its articulation agreements with the 109 California Community Colleges. In a recent campaign to strengthen its bond and connection, the University obtained 78 partial articulation agreements with CCC's.

In an effort to improve on efficiency and the delivery of services, National University acquired an Enterprise Resource Plan (PeopleSoft suite) to better meet the academic and administrative challenges of the present and future. The University is currently building the academic and administrative structures and modules in PeopleSoft.

To help us achieve our goal of providing the best possible service to our student body and prospective students, it is our desire and request to purchase the ASSIST Articulation Data Extraction files. We obtained a copy of the data specifications and we are very interested in acquiring the following files: CSU Transferable Community College Courses, IGETC Applicable Community College Courses, CSU-GE/Breadth Certification Applicable CSU and Community College Courses, Curriculum data extracts for CSU and UC courses referenced in ASSIST articulation agreements, CAN Qualifications from ASSIST for CSU or CCC's. We would upload these files in the PeopleSoft Academic Advising module and automate the articulated transfer course equivalencies to National University courses. We are confident that this will provide consistency of articulated rules, build history and rapport with other institutions, and give accurate and immediate data responses.

Thank you for a favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

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