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Dear Ms Heffernan,

I am writing on behalf of the Australian Catholic University (ACU National), one of 38 Australian Government funded universities in Australia. It is my pleasure as the Director of International, to introduce ACU National and its programs.

ACU National offers a wide range of programs to over 13,000 local and international students. Programs of study include Arts, Business, Education, Environmental Science, Exercise Science, Hotel Management, Information Systems, Music, Nursing, Psychology, Social Science, Justice Studies, Youth Studies, Social Work, Theology, and Visual Arts & Design. The University awards meet the requirements of the Australian Qualifications Framework and are recognised world-wide.

ACU National has six campuses in the major centres of Brisbane, Canberra, Sydney (2) and Melbourne as well as in Ballarat in rural Victoria. It is open to students and staff regardless of their beliefs and backgrounds and is committed to excellence in research, teaching and learning in an international context. Students from 60 different countries study at ACU National which, because of its small, attractive and well resourced campuses, is recognised for its close working relationship between students and teachers.

ACU National recognises qualifications of many colleges and educational providers throughout the world at diploma level. It accepts such diplomas as entry qualifications with advanced standing into its undergraduate programs.

The University has recently engaged the services Dr Joe Relich of Relcan Educational Consultants to advise on the feasibility of program articulations, specifically with the Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology in Ontario (ACAATO) as they are highly regarded here in Australia. Dr Relich has provided considerable insight into the colleges e.g., the delivery of programs and the quality of graduates. He has worked closely with several faculty members and the ACU National International Office in determining the congruence of undergraduate programs with those college programs that are mandated by the Ontario Ministry of Education. While this work is on-going, the Faculty of Business has now recognised the merit and quality of Advanced Diplomas in Business granted through the ACAATO group of colleges.

The purpose of this letter is to advise you that ACU National will accept the completion of an Advanced Diploma in Business from Fleming College as a qualifying entry point into the third year of a related three year undergraduate degree at ACU National.

Please find attached a list of programs and the related ACU National degrees into which they will articulate. This arrangement is valid for three years (3) from the date of this notification and will be reviewed at the end of this period. It is also possible that over time, programs from faculties other than business will be deemed to meet the requirements for articulation. Should this be the case, I will ensure that an update will be provided by the ACU National International Office.

ACU National does not seek a formal agreement for these articulations and simply wishes to inform your college that students with appropriate qualifications would be welcome to apply for further studies. We would be pleased if you could inform your students of this additional pathway and I enclose some further information for you to review. Additional information about ACU National is available on our website (<http://www.acu.edu.au/>) as well. Publication of this information for general consumption by students, staff and any other interested party is entirely a matter for the College to determine as per its general practices and requirements.

Relcan Educational Consultants (jrelich@iprimus.com.au) as well as KOM Consultants (skelly@komconsultants.com) who are based in Hamilton, Ontario represent the interests of ACU National in Ontario and Canada. Any further information related to this articulation arrangement may be referred to either party as appropriate or directly to Elissa Newall (e.newall@patrick.acu.edu.au) at ACU National.

I hope that you will be able to endorse this arrangement and recommend ACU National to your graduates. We look forward to a close working relationship and to possibly welcoming Fleming College graduates to one of our Australian campuses.

Yours sincerely,

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Director, International

cc:
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President

ACU National Articulation Schedule Fleming College

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The following articulation schedules outline the level of credit that will be awarded towards ACU National's Bachelor of Business (Schedule 1) and Bachelor of Information Systems (Schedule 2) courses for holders of Fleming College Three-Year Advanced Diplomas as specified in Schedules 1 & 2.

Schedule 1: Bachelor of Business Articulation				
Fleming College Advanced Diploma	Specialisation	ACU Course	Major	ACU credit points
Three-year Advanced Diploma Business Administration	Accounting	Bachelor of Business	Accounting	160 cp
	Human Resource Management	Bachelor of Business	Human Resource Management	160 cp
	Human Resources	Bachelor of Business	Human Resource Management	160 cp
	Information Systems	Bachelor of Business	Information Systems	160 cp
	Marketing	Bachelor of Business	Marketing	160 cp
	Finance	Bachelor of Business	Financial Services	160 cp
	Financial Planning	Bachelor of Business	Financial Services	160 cp
	International Business	Bachelor of Business	International Business	160 cp
	General or Unspecified	Case-by-case assessment of compatibility with ACU majors		160 cp
Three-year Advanced Diploma Accounting		Bachelor of Business	Accounting	160 cp
Three-year Advanced Diploma Information Systems – Business Administration		Bachelor of Business	Information Systems	160 cp

Schedule 2: Bachelor of information Systems Articulation		
Fleming College Advanced Diploma	ACU Course	ACU credit points
Three-year Advanced Diploma Business Computer Systems	Bachelor of Information Systems	160 cp
Three-year Advanced Diploma Computer Engineering Technology	Bachelor of Information Systems	160 cp
Three-year Advanced Diploma Computer Engineering Technology (Computing Science)	Bachelor of Information Systems	160 cp
Three-year Advanced Diploma Computer Engineering Technology (Software Developer)	Bachelor of Information Systems	160 cp
Three-year Advanced Diploma Computer Programming & Analysis	Bachelor of Information Systems	160 cp
Three-year Advanced Diploma Computer Programmer/Analyst	Bachelor of Information Systems	160 cp
Three-year Advanced Diploma Computer Systems Technology	Bachelor of Information Systems	160 cp
Three-year Advanced Diploma Computer Systems (Networking)	Bachelor of Information Systems	160 cp
Three-year Advanced Diploma Computer Science Technology	Bachelor of Information Systems	160 cp
Three-year Advanced Diploma Computer Systems & Network Technology	Bachelor of Information Systems	160 cp
Three-year Advanced Diploma Computer Network Professional	Bachelor of Information Systems	160 cp

Please note that 240 credit points are required to satisfy course completion requirements for ACU National's Bachelor of Business and Bachelor of Information Systems degrees which are usually undertaken full-time over three years. The above credit levels therefore represent two-thirds or two years (160 cps) of its normal Bachelor degree programs.

Credit applications for partially completed courses and for other Fleming College courses will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

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