

## **Baylor Bound Agreement**

### **A Memorandum of Understanding Between Baylor University and Midland College**

Baylor University and Midland College are committed to expanding educational opportunities for the people of Texas. The citizens of Texas already benefit greatly from the presence of both Baylor University and Midland College. While Baylor University has received transfer students from Midland College for years, both institutions desire to strengthen their ties by establishing a transfer agreement for the benefit of students and the state of Texas. The program is intended to serve Midland College students who, upon meeting the criteria below, will transfer to Baylor University toward the goal of completing their undergraduate degree.

In order to ease the process of transferring students and to foster academic relationships between the two institutions, Midland College ("Midland") and Baylor University ("Baylor") agree to the following "Baylor Bound Agreement":

1. Students may declare their intent to transfer to Baylor by submitting the *Baylor Bound* application. They may submit the application prior to enrollment at MIDLAND or while enrolled as a full-time student at Midland. Admission to the program will be determined by Baylor's Office of Admission Services.
2. Baylor will provide appropriate transfer equivalency guides (Major Academic Planners-- MAPs) to identify courses that may transfer to Baylor from Midland. These MAPs will be accessible from the Baylor and Midland websites.
3. Students must be enrolled in an approved AA or AS academic program leading to an approved Baylor BBA, BA, BSW, or BS degree and refer to Baylor's Major Academic Planner when planning coursework.\*
4. Students should plan to transfer to Baylor at a point that maximizes the courses available at Midland for transfer to Baylor and that will enable them to graduate from Baylor in a total of four years. In many but not all cases, this means that students will transfer to Baylor after having completed an AA or AS degree at Midland. Regardless, students need to be sure to follow the appropriate Major Academic Planner.
5. A student's formal application for admission to Baylor will be activated when the student has completed the Baylor application for admission. Baylor's official admissions decision will be made after all appropriate documents have been received and reviewed by Baylor.\*
6. Baylor will make available to Baylor Bound students information about scholarships for transfer students.
7. Baylor will provide Baylor Bound students expanded opportunities to learn more about Baylor through special mailings and scheduled visits with Baylor representatives.
8. Students will be made aware of the opportunity for the reverse transfer of credits back to Midland for an AA or AS degree if they complete a Baylor transcript request for each semester they are enrolled at Baylor.

- 9. Midland students can utilize the Baylor Library System through the interlibrary Loan Agreement (<http://www.baylor.edu/lib/ils/>)
- 10. Consistent with FERPA regulations, officials from Midland and Baylor will collaborate to share disaggregated statistical information about students, including participants still enrolled at Midland, participants who have enrolled at Baylor, and participants who graduate from Baylor.

This agreement shall become effective January 25, 2016 and shall remain in effect until terminated in writing by either party.

\*Please note the following:

- To view Midland MAPs for the approved academic programs and degrees, refer to [www.baylor.edu/advising/bbmaps](http://www.baylor.edu/advising/bbmaps). Any coursework not listed on a MAP that a student takes at Midland will be evaluated for equivalent transfer credits by the Admission Services Office. Such courses will not necessarily count toward degree requirements.
- For current admission requirements and transfer credit policies, visit the Admission Services website (<http://www.baylor.edu/admissions/>). Certain majors, colleges/schools and departments may also require a higher GPA and/or portfolio/recital/audition-based admission.

**BAYLOR UNIVERSITY**

**MIDLAND COLLEGE**

Signed by:  Signed by:   
 Kenneth Winston Starr, President and Chancellor Steve Thomas, President

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ January 25, 2016 \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ January 25, 2016 \_\_\_\_\_