



Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education Reach Higher: DirectComplete Partnership Commitment Agreement

REACH HIGHER: DIRECTCOMPLETE PARTNERS AGREE TO:

- Partner with the State Regents and the institution to promote the program to employees, clients, and members and to scholarship individuals to pursue a degree approved by your business/organization.
- The business/organization dedicates an upfront **scholarship of \$1,000 per student** to fund semester tuition, fees, and books for 6 credit hours each semester for 3 semesters per year.
- If an employee's employment status changes during the program, employers' should follow their existing policies and procedures for education benefits.
- Explore paid internship opportunities with the higher education institution.

WITH A PARTNER'S COMMITMENT, THE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES AGREE TO:

- Partner with the businesses/organizations and the State Regents to support students in pursuing an associate or bachelor's degree identified by the business or organization as important to their industry and economic growth.
- Provide a dedicated navigator/coordinator; provide coaching/mentoring/proactive advising;; participate in professional development; Provide financial assistance as available at the institution to cover unmet financial need (i.e. tuition, fees, or books) .
- Provide financial assistance as available at the institution to cover unmet financial need (i.e. tuition, fees, or books) after the partner scholarship is applied.
- Explore paid internship opportunities with the partner.
- Promote the business/organization as a partner on the program website.

THE STATE REGENTS AGREE TO:

- Partner with the institution and businesses/organizations to support students in pursuing a degree identified by the business or organization as an acceptable course of study.
- Provide outreach and recruitment information to employers and institutions.
- Provide dedicated Degree Completion staff at the State office to assist institutions in providing coaching/mentoring/proactive advising to program participants.

- Provide professional development and training for campus Navigators at no cost or minimal cost to the institution.
- Collect data and provide reporting on the program to stakeholders.
- Promote the business/organization as a partner on the program website.

EFFECT, DURATION, MODIFICATION, REVIEW AND TERMINATION

This agreement will become effective upon execution by both parties and will remain in effect until terminated by either party upon 60 days prior written notice of the party’s intention to terminate. This agreement may only be modified upon mutual written agreement of both parties. This agreement and a list of programs eligible for the partner’s support will be reviewed annually from its effective date.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES OF PARTIES

The individuals whose signatures appear below attest to having the right, power, and authority to enter into this agreement on behalf of each entity.

For the Reach Higher: DirectComplete Partner

Name

Title

Name

Title

Date: _____

Date: _____

For the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Date: _____

Glen D. Johnson, Chancellor - OSRHE