## **Consortium Agreements**

A consortium agreement is a written agreement between two schools. The agreement allows students to take courses at another institution and have those courses count toward the degree or certificate at the home institution.

The **home** institution is the school from which the student is seeking a degree. In most instances, the student receives financial aid from the home institution.

The **host** institution is the school where the student will be taking classes to transfer back to the home institution. **The classes must be applicable to the student's degree at the home institution to qualify.** 

The consortium agreement allows the financial aid office at the home school to count courses at both institutions when determining a student's enrollment level for the purposes of awarding aid. Consortium agreement courses will be applied toward the semester in which they begin.

Students awarded aid under the consortium agreement are required to submit a copy of their grades from the host institution to the CSM Financial Aid Office. Grades at both institutions will be reviewed to determine compliance with the Satisfactory Academic Policy. Future aid will be placed on hold until all grades are received and eligibility can be determined.

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