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Central New Mexico Community College and the Institute of American Indian Arts Sign Liberal Arts Agreement to Ease Transfer Process



Dr. Susan Murphy (left), CNM's vice president for External Affairs, and Dr. Beth Pitonzo (right), CNM's vice president for Academic Affairs, watch as Dr. Robert Martin, president of IAIA, signs a 2+2 agreement to allow CNM students to seamlessly transfer to the Institute of American Indian Arts for the bachelor of fine arts studio arts program.

Santa Fe, NM – Representatives from both Central New Mexico Community College (CNM) and the Institute of American Indian Arts (IAIA) signed an agreement this week to help ease the transfer process for liberal arts students in New Mexico. The signing marked the fifth “2+2” program agreement between CNM and other higher education institutions and the third between IAIA and other higher education institutions in the state. The agreement will make it easier for students who earn an associate of arts in

fine arts at CNM to transfer into the bachelor of fine arts studio arts program at IAIA.

“This agreement provides a wonderful new opportunity for CNM students to continue their education in the arts,” said Dr. Beth Pitonzo, CNM’s vice president for Academic Affairs.

Dr. Robert Martin (Cherokee), President of IAIA, concurs. “IAIA is pleased to begin a partnership with CNM that will ultimately increase educational opportunities for students in the arts by providing transfer students an additional opportunity to complete their bachelor of fine arts degree. I hope that this agreement facilitates future collaboration between the two institutions that will benefit our respective missions, programs, faculty members and students.”

For more information about the Institute of American Indian Arts, please visit www.iaia.edu.

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