

Articulation Agreement

Between West Virginia Northern Community College and Strayer University

I. PURPOSE

This articulation agreement is designed to coordinate transfer policies, enhance advising, promote the acceptance of the programmatic transfer of courses/credits between Strayer University (SU) and West Virginia Northern Community College (WVNC) and encourage completion of the associate's degree.

II. ELEMENTS OF THE AGREEMENT

A. Admissions Practices

1. SU will accept applications from students who wish to transfer from WVNC into any related baccalaureate degree program at SU. Transferring WVNC applicants must meet the same admissions criteria as other students applying for transfer to SU.
2. WVNC students who graduate with an AA/AS or AAA/AAS degree, are applying to a related degree program at SU, and have a WVNC curriculum GPA of at least 2.0 are guaranteed admission to SU. Once admitted, students are subject to all other policies and procedures, including residency requirement of SU, as outlined in the SU catalog. Students who have questions may consult a counselor and/or advisor at either institution for assistance.
3. WVNC students, who have completed or will complete an AA/AS or AAA/AAS degree by the time they enroll in classes at SU, will be exempted from paying the SU application fee.

B. Acceptance and Application of Credits

1. The maximum number of transfer credits accepted from an institution granting a 2-year degree (AS, AAS, AA, etc.) will be equal to 126 quarter credit hours or 84 semester credit hours. Under this agreement, all courses required to complete the specific related associate's degree program from an articulated school will be articulated into the bachelor's program in their entirety.
2. Students from two-year institutions where we have articulation agreements will have their entire degree program transferred in, including " C- and D" grades, allowing the student to complete their related degree program at Strayer University in about two years of full-time study.
3. Students completing an AA or AS at WVNCC will be considered to have met all lower division general education requirements at Strayer University.
4. If a student does not have the prerequisite for a 300 or 400 level course at SU, the students may be required to take the prerequisite courses to earn upper division credit.
5. SU will evaluate courses/credits earned through Advanced Placement (AP), College-Level Examination Program (CLEP), or other testing programs. SU also will evaluate courses/credits earned at other institutions. Students seeking credit for these courses must provide the university with official transcripts for evaluation.
6. Prior Learning Activity and other life experiences credits already evaluated as part of the associates degree program will be brought in with the degree.

C. Update/Report/Relationship

1. SU and WVNCC agree to review this agreement annually. WVNCC & SU will designate an individual to serve as liaison for the purposes of monitoring this agreement. Each institution will provide updated catalogs to the other immediately upon their availability. Upon request, SU agrees to provide WVNCC reports on enrolled WVNCC transfer students, their majors and academic performance to the extent permitted by law.
2. SU and WVNCC agree to assist each other in promoting this agreement appropriately in their respective promotional materials, events, web sites, reports and through the sharing of mailing lists.
3. All notices to be given shall be delivered in writing as follows:

If to SU:

Lloyd B. Tredwell
National College Relations Manager
Strayer University
Region 2 Corporate Office/Newington
8550 Cinderbed Rd., Ste. 1000
Newington, VA 22122

If to WVNCC:

Dr. Barry Good
Vice President Of Academic
Affairs
West Virginia Northern
Community College
1704 Market St.
Wheeling, WV 26003-3699



D. Amendments and Term of Effect

1. The curriculum in effect at the time a student first enrolls at WVNCC will be honored by SU if the student completes an AA/ AS or AAA/AAS degree and successfully transfers to SU within 7 years of that first enrollment at WVNCC.
2. This agreement may be amended, as necessary, for specific program articulation without affecting the master agreement.
3. This master agreement will remain in effect until terminated by either party on ninety (90) days prior written notice. In the event that this agreement is terminated, the terms of the agreement contained herein will remain in effect for the maximum transitional period of two (2) years to accommodate students already enrolled under the agreement.

Joel O. Nwagbaraocha

Dr. Joel O. Nwagbaraocha
Interim President
Strayer University

Date

7/5/06

M. J. Olshinsky

Dr. Martin J. Olshinsky
President
West Virginia Northern Community College

Date

6-7-06