

Articulation Agreement

between

West Virginia University at Parkersburg

and

West Virginia Northern Community College

I. PURPOSE

West Virginia ranks near last in baccalaureate degree attainment and is experiencing significant shortages in teacher education and the applied sciences. To meet the economic needs of the state and to ensure an educated, prepared workforce, West Virginia University at Parkersburg will provide baccalaureate educational opportunities for students attending community colleges in the Community and Technical College System of West Virginia. The regional, community college pathway to baccalaureate degree programs will further ensure opportunities for non-traditional students who desire to meet local high demand workforce needs for training and education.

II. ELEMENTS OF THE AGREEMENT

Community and Technical College System of West Virginia students who have completed associate degree programs will be eligible to apply for the four baccalaureate programs that meet the advanced training needs of the state in the areas of teacher education and the applied sciences. These baccalaureate degrees include the following:

- a. The Bachelor of Applied Science in Business Administration (BASBA) degree is a workforce baccalaureate designed primarily for Associate in Applied Science degree holders desiring career advancement and/or advance technical training in business-related fields.
- b. The Bachelor of Applied Technology (BAT) degree is a technical workforce baccalaureate designed for Associate in Applied Science or Associate of Science degree holders desiring career advancement in technology-related fields.
- c. The Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education (BA) degree is a professional baccalaureate degree designed primarily for Associate of Arts degree holders who wish to enter the teaching field in elementary education.
- d. The Bachelor of Arts in Multi-disciplinary Studies (BA/MDS) degree is a professional baccalaureate degree designed primarily for Associate of Arts degree holders who wish to construct a degree-program that is comprised of three minors from communications, fine arts, business, chemistry, history, biology, or psychology.

III. ARTICULATIONS WITH WVCTCS COMMUNITY COLLEGES

West Virginia University at Parkersburg agrees to develop articulation agreements with the community colleges in the Community and Technical College System of West Virginia that will:

- a. Identify programs of study for the articulation of academic credit for baccalaureate degree programs;
- b. Develop pathways for transferring students that are seamless between the WVCTCS community college and WVU-P baccalaureate degree programs;
- c. Designate academic coordinators to work with WVCTCS students to ensure smooth coordination and transition;
- d. Ensure that relevant transfer information and current WVU at Parkersburg brochures and/or catalogs are made available;
- e. Provide up-to-date, accurate and timely information about the baccalaureate programs to WVCTCS colleges.
- f. Apply credit for general education taken as part of AA, AS, or AAS degrees toward the general education requirements of the baccalaureate degree.


President


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