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Articulation Agreement
2016 - 2017

A Partnership Between
Wharton County Junior College and
Lamar Consolidated Independent School District

A. Student Eligibility Requirements

a. Students enrolled in public high schools are eligible to enroll in and receive high school credit for courses eligible for articulated credit.
b. Additional award of college credit requires that students meet all general requirements outlined below.

B. Faculty and Staff Qualifications

a. School Districts are responsible for ensuring that a teacher meets the qualifications for Advanced Technical Credit before identifying the course as an articulated course on a student's Academic Achievement Record.
    i. Teachers should have earned a baccalaureate degree, or higher, in a field related to the instructional area. In specific instruction areas and where permitted by secondary certification requirements, a teacher may hold a minimum of an associate degree.
    ii. Teachers should be certified to teach secondary courses in the appropriate instructional area or possess at least an associate degree in a field directly related to the subject area, baccalaureate preferred, and a minimum of three years of related work experience other than teaching and have a deficiency plan for certification.
    iii. Teachers of courses eligible for inclusion in a post-secondary workforce education program that is subject to accreditation by external agencies and/or that prepare students for licensure or certification must comply with the qualifications required by the external agency.

b. Teachers of statewide-articulated courses should meet with college faculty annually to review the TEKS/WECM alignment.
c. Teachers of locally articulated courses must meet with college faculty annually to review the TEKS/WECM alignment.

C. Location and Student Composition of Classes for Articulated Credit

a. High School Credit courses will be taught on the high school campus, unless an instructional contract exists for Wharton County Junior College to teach the course.
b. All School District courses taught through an instructional contract with Wharton County Junior College will be articulated.

D. Student Services

a. Students in articulated courses are encouraged to meet with college faculty before high school graduation to determine their degree plan at Wharton County Junior College.

E. Eligible Courses

a. Articulated credit for all courses in the Technical Course Alignment Manual that are in Wharton County Junior College's inventory will be determined based upon the state requirements for the statewide Advanced Technical Credit (ATC) requirements, including prerequisites. Below is a list of all courses in Wharton County Junior College's inventory that have been designated for ATC credit.

High School PEIMS Course Number	Abbreviation	Course Title	College Course	College Course Number
Business Management and Administration				
13011400	BUSIM1	Business Information Management I (1 credit)	Introduction to Computers	ITSC 1301
Computer Science				
13008800	GRAPHDI	Graphic Design & Illustration (1 credit)	Introduction to Digital Media	IMED 1301
Finance				
13016600	ACCOUNT1	Accounting I (1 credit)	Introduction to Accounting	ACNT 1303
Education and Training / Human Services				
13014300 and 13014400	HUGRDEV and INPREDTR	Human Growth & Development (1 credit) and Instructional Practices in Education & Training (1 credit)	Creative Arts for Early Childhood	CDEC 1358

Information Technology				
13027300	COMPMTN	Computer Maintenance (2 credit)	Personal Computer Hardware	ITSC 1325
13027200	PRINIT	Principles of Information Technology (1 credit)	Introduction to Computers	ITSC 1301
13027500	COMPTECH	Computer Technician (2 credit)	Fundamentals of Networking	ITNW 1325
Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources / Manufacturing				
13032300	WELD	Agricultural Welding (1 credit)	Introduction to Blueprint Reading	WLDG 1413
13002300	AGFDFAB	Agricultural Facilities Design and Fabrication (1 credit)	Introduction to Layout and Fabrication	WLDG 1417
Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security				
13011700	BUSLAW	Business Law (0.5 credit)	Introduction to Paralegal Studies	LGLA 1313
13029600	COURTSP	Court Systems & Practices (1 credit)	Criminal Law & Procedure	LGLA 2313
Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics				
N1303744	DE-PLTW	Digital Electronics (1 credit)	Digital Fundamentals	CETT 1425
N1303742	IED-PLTW	Introduction to Engineering Design (1 credit)	Technical Drafting	DFTG 1405
N1300262	INTRPT	Introduction to Process Technology (1 credit)	Introduction to Process Technology	PTAC 1302
N1300264	SHAE	Petrochemical Safety, Health & Environment (1 credit)	Safety, Health & Environment	PTAC 1408
13037100	PRINTECH	Principles of Technology (1 credit)	Applied Petrochemical Technology	CTEC 1401

Transportation, Distribution and Logistics				
13039700 or 13040400	ADVAUTOT or PRACTDL	Advanced Automotive Technology (2 credits) or Practicum in Transportation Distribution & Logistics (2-3 credits)	Introduction and Theory of Automotive Technology	AUMT 1301

b. All courses listed in the agreement shall be taught to college standards and include all elements listed in the Technical Course Alignment Manual (TCAM) for statewide articulated courses and the Workforce Education Course Manual (WECM).

F. Criteria for Award of College Credit

a. The student must complete any prerequisites required for the articulated course with a grade of 80 or better.
b. The student must successfully complete the articulated course with a grade of 80 or better.
c. The student must have completed the course, or final course, in an articulated course sequence with junior or senior standing.
d. The student must enroll at Wharton County Junior College within 15 months of high school graduation.
e. The student must successfully complete 6 additional, non-development college credit hours in a related subject area.
f. The student must declare a college major that includes the equivalent college course(s) in the degree plan.
g. The college course must be in Wharton County Junior College's Course Inventory for credit to be granted.
h. The student must petition for award of articulated credit by completing the "Request for Articulated Credit" form in the Registrar's Office and submitting an official high school transcript.

G. Transcripting of Credit

a. The School District must use the correct PEIMS course number and abbreviation for students taking enhanced-context courses for statewide articulation.
b. Articulated courses will count as an advanced measure for the Distinguished Achievement Program.
c. Students will not be charged any fee for transcripting the course.

This articulation agreement is developed based on the most current guidelines for high school graduation requirements, but is subject to change depending on Texas legislative actions.

Authorizing Signatures

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