

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

East Tennessee State University

and

Northeast State Community College

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THIS ARTICULATION AGREEMENT (the “Agreement”) is entered into by and between East Tennessee State University (“Transfer School”) and Northeast State Community College (“Institution”) as of the date of the last signature on this Agreement. The parties desire to enter into a contract pursuant to which students of Institution will be eligible for articulated course credits at Transfer School, according to the terms contained in this Agreement.

ACCORDINGLY, in consideration of the promises and mutual covenants contained in this Agreement, and of other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. Description of Articulation Program.

- a. **Purpose.** The purpose of this Agreement is to facilitate the transfer of Institution’s students to Transfer School; to provide specific advisement for Institution’s students who intend to transfer to Transfer School; and, to encourage academic and administrative coordination between the two parties in the following program of study: **Associate of Science in Environmental Health to Bachelor of Science in Environmental Health.**

Attachment A “Program of Study” outlines the equivalent transfer courses at Transfer School for courses taken at Institution. See Attachment A instructions at the end of this document.

Attachment B “Academic Plan” outlines the courses and credits that must be taken and earned at Transfer School in order to meet Transfer School’s graduation requirements for this program of study. See Attachment B instructions at the end of this document.

- b. **Annual review.** This Agreement will be subject to annual review by representatives of each party. Any recommendations for revisions will be made in writing and reviewed by each party’s respective Chief Academic Officer or their designees. The articulation requirements of this Agreement may only be amended in the form of an amendment signed by authorized representatives of the parties and the Chancellor of the Tennessee Board of Regents.
- c. **Program of Study.** Changes by either party to a Program of Study can be incorporated into this Agreement by written amendment, as agreed by both parties.
- d. **Admission requirements.** Students wishing to transfer credits to Transfer School must also meet the admissions requirements of Transfer School, and the parties acknowledge and agree that Transfer School reserves the right to reject any such student’s admission to Transfer School, in accordance with its standard policies and procedures. These students must also provide an official transcript of courses completed. If admitted, the students shall become subject to all of Transfer School’s policies, procedures and rules.
- e. **Non-Exclusivity.** This Agreement is not exclusive, and either party may enter into similar agreements with any other party.
- f. **Promotion.** Both parties agree to use commercially reasonable efforts to promote, publicize and advertise the opportunities contemplated by this Agreement to their faculty, staff, alumni, students and potential students.

- g. **Liaisons.** Each party shall designate a representative to serve as its liaison in all matters arising under this Agreement, and shall furnish in writing the name of each representative to the other party.

2. Term and Termination.

- a. **Term.** This agreement will be for the term of 3 years, from date signed, with a review of the agreement at the end of this time period prior to renewal. This Agreement will be effective from the date of final signature below, (the “Effective Date”), but may be terminated in writing by either party. It is agreed that if terminated, both institutions will honor the terms of the Agreement until the end of the next admissions application and review period.
- b. **Post-Termination.** Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, Institution’s students previously accepted by or admitted to Transfer School shall continue to receive the benefits contemplated by this Agreement until such time such students have completed their coursework or have otherwise withdrawn

3. Miscellaneous.

- a. **Non-Discrimination.** Both parties shall abide by all applicable Federal and State laws pertaining to discrimination and hereby agree and assure that no person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination in the performance of this Agreement or in the employment practices of both parties on the grounds of classifications protected by Federal or State law.
- b. **Binding agreement.** This Agreement shall not be binding upon the parties until it is approved by the president or designee of Transfer School and the Chancellor of the Tennessee Board of Regents.
- c. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee without regard to its conflict of laws provisions.
- d. **Notices.** All notices or other written communications relating to termination, expiration, or any other legal matter relating to this Agreement will be effective when received and must be given in writing by courier or reputable overnight delivery service, or by certified mail, return receipt requested, to either party at the following address (or to such other address as such party may substitute, by providing a written notice.)

For Transfer School:

Address: 206 Burgin Dossett Hall
Johnson City, TN 37614

Attention: Office of the Provost

For Institution

Address: 2425 Highway 75N
Blountville, TN 37617

Attention: Office of Academic Affairs

- e. **Waivers.** The waiver by either party of any provision of this Agreement on any occasion and upon any particular circumstance shall not operate as a waiver of such provision of this Agreement on any other occasion or upon any other circumstance.
- f. **Complete Agreement; Integration.** This Agreement contains the complete understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all other agreements, understandings, communications and promises of any kind, whether oral or written, between the parties with respect to such subject matter.

- g. **Counterparts; Facsimile Signatures.** This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, all of which shall be originals and which together shall constitute a single agreement. For the purpose of interpreting this Agreement, facsimile and PDF signatures shall be considered equivalent to original signatures.
- h. **Independent Contractors.** The parties are independent contractors, and no agency, partnership, franchise, joint venture, or employment relationship is intended or created by this Agreement. Neither party shall make any commitment, or give the impression that it has authority to make any commitment, on behalf of the other party.
- i. **Confidentiality of Records.** All educational records created, disclosed, or maintained pursuant to the terms of this Agreement are confidential and shall be created, disclosed, and maintained pursuant to the provisions of Family Educational Right to Privacy Act, also known as FERPA (20 U.S.C.A. s1232g) and its regulations.
- j. Per SACSCOC Standard 10.8 in the Principles of Accreditation, all transfer credit contemplated in this Agreement has been evaluated by academically qualified faculty of Transfer School to ensure that students receiving credit for courses taken at Institution have achieved the same level of knowledge, skills and experiences as those who have completed coursework at Transfer School.

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In Witness Whereof, the parties have by their duly authorized representatives set their signatures.

Transfer School

Kimberly McCorkle, Provost

Date

Institution

Jeff McCord, President

Date

Approved: Tennessee Board of Regents

Chancellor, Tennessee Board of Regents

Date

ATTACHMENT A
PROGRAM OF STUDY
Associate of Science in Environmental Health

Northeast State Community College			
Year 1			
Semester 1	SCH	Semester 2	SCH
Behavioral/Social Science Elective	3	BIOL 1110 - General Biology I	4
CHEM 1110 - General Chemistry I	4	CHEM 1120 - General Chemistry II	4
EDUC 1030 - College and Lifelong Learning	3	ENGL 1020 - English Comp II	3
ENGL 1010 - English Comp I	3	HIST 2020 - Modern United States History	3
HIST 2010 - Early United States History	3		
COMM 2025 - Fundamentals of Communication	3		
Total	19	Total	14
Year 2			
Semester 1	SCH	Semester 2	SCH
CHEM 2010 - Organic Chemistry	4	Guided Elective	3
Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3	Behavioral/Social Science Elective	3
Literature Elective	3	Humanities/Fine Arts	3
MATH 1910 - Calculus I	4	PHYS 2010 - Non-Calculus Physics I	4
	14		13
		Total	60

Course Equivalency Table

Northeast State Community College Course	SCH	East Tennessee State University Course	SCH
Behavioral/Social Science Elective	6	Behavioral/Social Science Elective	6
CHEM 1110 – General Chemistry I	4	CHEM 1111 – General Chemistry	4
EDUC 1030 – College and Lifelong Learning	3	ETSU 1020 – First Year Experience Course	3
ENGL 1010 – English Composition I	3	ENGL 1010 – Critical Reading and Expository Writing	3
HIST 2010 – Early United States History	3	HIST 2010 – U.S. History I	3
BIOL 1110 – General Biology I	4	BIOL 1111 – General Biology	4
CHEM 1120 – General Chemistry II	4	CHEM 1120 – General Chemistry II	4
ENGL 1020 – English Composition II	3	ENGL 1020 - Critical Thinking and Argumentation	3
HIST 2020 – Modern United States History	3	HIST 2020 – U.S. History II	3
CHEM 2010 – Organic Chemistry	4	CHEM 2010 – Organic Chemistry	4
MATH 1910 – Calculus I	4	MATH 1910 – Calculus I	4
PHYS 2010 – Non-Calculus Physics I	4	PHYS 2010 – General Physics I	4
COMM 2025 – Fundamentals of Communication	3	COMM 2025 – Fundamentals of Communication	3
Literature Elective	3	Literature Elective	3
Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	6	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	6
Elective	3	Elective	3
Total Hours at Northeast State	60	Total Hours Transferred to ETSU	60

ATTACHMENT B
ACADEMIC PLAN
Bachelor of Science in Environmental Health (Environmental Health Practices Concentration)

East Tennessee State University					
Year 3					
Fall	SCH	Spring	SCH	Summer	SCH
ENVH 3010-Human Ecology and Environmental Education	3	Choose 4 Credits from: HSCI 3000-Human Anatomy GEOS 1110-Earth Science: Weather and Climate GEOS 1500- Intro to Geospatial Technologies GEOS 3500- Geographic Information Systems PHYS 2011- General Physics Laboratory I	4	ENVH 4080- Environmental Health Practice	3
ENVH 3700-Solid Waste Management	3	ENVH 3400-Intro to Air Pollution	3		
BSTA 3000-Intro to Biostatistics	3	HSCI 3020-Human Physiology	4		
HSCI 3320-General Microbiology	4	EPID 3080-Principles of Epidemiology	3		
HSCI 3321-General Microbiology Lab		COBH 1020-Intro to Public Health	3		
ENVH 3100-Water Supplies and Wastewater Treatment	3				
	16		17		3
Year 4					
ENVH 4340-Occupational Health	3	ENVH 4000-Public Health Law	3		
ENVH 4357-Toxicology	3	ENVH 4207- Principles of Radiological Health OR ENVH 4100- Shelter Environments	3		
ENVH 3500-Environmental Safety	3	ENVH 4397-Environmental Analysis	4		
ENVH 4387-Biological Analysis in Environmental Health	4	ENVH 4400- Environmental Health Program Planning and Admin	3		
ENVH 4607-Food Sanitation Principles	3	ENVH 4610-Soil Science for Environmental Health	2		
	16		15		
				Total	67

Total Degree Hours:

- Northeast State – 60
- East Tennessee State University – 67
- **TOTAL – 127**