Systemwide Articulation Agreement Between Colleges in The College System of Tennessee For the Period of Summer 2025 through Summer 2027

Articulation of Welding Delivered at the Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology to be Applied Toward The A.A.S. in Industrial Technology – Welding/Metal Fabrication Delivered at Specified Community Colleges in Tennessee

The Tennessee community colleges hereinafter referred to as the "CC(s)" and the Tennessee colleges of applied technology hereinafter referred to as the "TCAT(s)" have entered into a statewide partnership which promotes student transfer and program articulation. The partnership is for the purpose of providing eligible TCAT students the opportunity to receive college credit upon successful completion of a qualified program at a TCAT and/or by earning recognized industry certification(s) as identified in "Appendix A."

Overview

In accordance with the guidelines set forth by the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR), the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC), and the procedures established by the individual CCs, we hereby enter into this Agreement to provide the eligible TCAT students the opportunity to receive college credit upon successful completion of a qualified program at a TCAT and by earning recognized industry certification(s) or meeting other criteria as identified in "Appendix A."

The CCs determine awarded credits based upon the course completion(s), certification(s) earned, or other specified requirements.

1. TCATs will indicate on student transcripts the specific coursework completed and certifications taken and passed (if known).
2. When evaluating student transcripts, the CC will award credit based on criteria identified in "Appendix A."
3. In addition, CCs may award credit based upon evaluation of transcripts on a course-by-course basis.
4. Pre-requisite courses must be considered prior to accepting credit via this agreement.
5. Students must meet the standards and follow the procedures of the individual CC catalog for the year they enrolled in the articulated course/program or follow the current year CC catalog.
6. The awarding of any nontraditional credit (e.g. CLEP, AP credit-by-exam, military services, etc.) may be granted for coursework not identified in "Appendix A."

7. Upon an institution's request this agreement will be reviewed.
8. This agreement will remain in effect until modified or rescinded by the duly authorized signatories, or until the term of the agreement has expired.
9. The CCs and the TCATs shall:
    a. Designate a responsible party to provide oversight of details and disseminate general program information to students.
    b. Determine course(s) to award credit based upon recommendation of content faculty.
    c. Agree to review every three years the certifications/courses and/or Student Learning Outcomes for which college credit will be awarded.
    d. Establish a process to ensure effective coordination between the individual CC(s) and TCAT(s). The Statewide Articulation Committee shall serve as a resource for questions or concerns that may arise and will consist of representatives from both the CC(s) and the TCAT(s) that are faculty or curriculum coordinators for the discipline as appointed by the chief academic officer at the CC and the President at the TCAT.
10. The SACSCOC accredited institution agrees to accept specific course work from a non-SACSCOC accredited institution to be applied toward an award from a SACSCOC accredited institution. That course work may not be accepted by other colleges or universities in transfer, even if it appears on a student transcript. The decision to accept course work in transfer from any institution is made by the receiving institution, and the acceptance of credits or course work is based on the receiving institution's regulations and guidelines.
11. This agreement will commence the semester following the signing thereof.

Appendix A

Awarding of College Credit to Welding graduates of Tennessee Colleges of Technology into the A.A.S. Industrial Technology – Welding/Metal Fabrication

Community College Course Title	Credit Hours	TCAT Course Title
EDUC 1030 – College and Lifelong Learning	3	WEL 1010 – Technology Foundations WEL 1020 – Shop Orientation & Safety
WELD 1060 – General Welding	4	WEL 1030 – Cutting Processes WEL 1040 – Basic Shielded Metal Arc Weld WEL 2030 – Advanced Shielded Metal Arc Welding
WELD 1070 – Applied Welding	4	WEL 1055 – Basic Gas Tungsten Arc Welding WEL 2040 – Advanced Gas Metal Arc Welding
ENST 1350 – Industrial Safety	3	WEL 1020 – Shop Orientation & Safety
WELD 2110 – Inert Gas Arc Welding	3	WEL 2025 – Basic Gas Tungsten Arc Welding WEL 3020 – Advanced Gas Tungsten Arc Pipe Weld
WELD 1210 – Welding Blueprints	3	WEL 2010 – Blue Print Theory WEL 3010 – Blue Print Reading
INTC 1030 – Industrial Concepts	3	WEL 0001 – Worker Characteristic WEL 0002 – Worker Characteristic WEL 0003 – Worker Characteristic
WELD 2120 – Pipe Welding	4	WEL 2030 – Advanced Shielded Metal Arc Welding WEL 3020 – Advanced Gas Tungsten Arc Pipe Weld
Total credit hours available to earn	27	

Designated for the Signature Page

In witness whereof:

Northeast State Community College:

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President Date

Tennessee College Of Applied Technology Morristown:

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President Date

Tennessee Board of Regents:

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Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs Date

Tennessee Board of Regents:

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Chancellor Date