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 Applied Science in Industrial Technology – Welding/Metal Fabrication to Bachelor of Applied Science in Industrial Leadership.

   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 ech 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 effective from August 1, 2025 (the "Effective Date") for three (3) years or until 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:	**For Institution:**
Address: 206 Burgin Dossett Hall Johnson City, TN 37614	Address: 2425 Highway 75N Blountville, TN 37617
Attention: Office of the Provost	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

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Kimberly McCorkle, Provost

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Date

Institution

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Jeff McCord, President

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Date

Approved: Tennessee Board of Regents

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Chancellor, Tennessee Board of Regents

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Date

Attachment A.
Program of Study

Associate of Applied Science in Industrial Technology – Welding/Metal Fabrication

Northeast State Community College

Year 1 Semester 1	SCH	Year 1 Semester 2	SCH
EDUC 1030 – College and Lifelong Learning	3	ENST 1350 – Industrial Safety	3
MATH 1050 – Trigonometric Applications	4	PHYS 1030 – Survey of Physics or PSCI 1010 – Principles of Physical Science	4
WELD 1060 – General Welding	4	WELD 1130 – Fabrication Tools and Processes	3
WELD 1070 – Applied Welding	4	WELD 2110 – Inert Gas Arc Welding	3
ENGL 1010 – English Composition I	3	WELD 1210 – Welding Blueprints	3
Total Year 1 Semester 1	18	Total Year 1 Semester 2	16
Year 2 Semester 1	**SCH**	**Year 2 Semester 2**	**SCH**
Behavioral/Social Science Elective[1]	3	COMM 2025 – Fundamentals of Communication or COMM 2045 – Public Speaking	3
INTC 1010 – Quality and Inspection	3	Humanities Elective[1]	3
INTC 1030 – Industrial Concepts	3	WELD 1410 – Metallurgy and Materials Testing	2
WELD 1010 – Pattern Development	3	WELD 2150 – Properties of Special Materials	2
WELD 2120 – Pipe Welding	4	WELD 2220 – Pipe Welding II	3
Total Year 2 Semester 1	16	Total Year 2 Semester 2	13
Northeast State Community College Total			**63**

[1] Course selected from approved general education course list (Northeast State Community College General Education Course List).

Course Equivalency Table

Northeast State Community College Course	SCH	East Tennessee State University Course	SCH
EDUC 1030 – College and Lifelong Learning	3	ETSU 1020 – Foundations of Student Success	3
ENGL 1010 – English Composition I	3	ENGL 1010 – English Composition I	3
Humanities Elective[1]	3	Humanities Elective	3
Behavioral/Social Science Elective[2]	3	Social Behavioral Science Elective	3
MATH 1050 – Trigonometric Applications	4	Math Elective	3
COMM 2025 – Fundamentals of Communication or COMM 2045 – Public Speaking	3	COMM 2025 – Fundamentals of Communication or COMM 2045 – Public Speaking	3
PHYS 1030 – Survey of Physics or PSCI 1010 – Principles of Physical Science	4	PHYS 1030 – Introduction to Physics Survey	4
WELD 1060 – General Welding	4	Elective	4
WELD 1070 – Applied Welding	4	Elective	4
ENST 1350 – Industrial Safety	3	Elective	3
WELD 1130 – Fabrication Tools and Processes	3	Elective	3
WELD 2110 – Inert Gas Arc Welding	3	Elective	3
WELD 1210 – Welding Blueprints	3	Elective	3
INTC 1010 – Quality and Inspection	3	Elective	3
INTC 1030 – Industrial Concepts	3	Elective	3
WELD 1010 – Pattern Development	3	Elective	3
WELD 2120 – Pipe Welding	4	Elective	4
WELD 1410 – Metallurgy and Materials Testing	2	Elective	2
WELD 2150 – Properties of Special Materials	2	Elective	2
WELD 2220 – Pipe Welding II	3	Elective	3
Total Hours at Northeast State	**63**	**Total Hours Transferred to ETSU**	**63**

[2] Course selected from approved general education course list (Northeast State Community College General Education Course List).

Attachment B.
Academic Plan

Bachelor of Applied Science in Industrial Leadership

East Tennessee State University

Year 3 Fall	**SCH**	**Year 3 Spring**	**SCH**
Growing as an Individual	3	Electives[3]	9
History	3	Humanities or History	3
CSCI 1100/1150 – Using Information Technology	3	CDST 2300 – The Interdisciplinary e-Portfolio and Its Applications	1
ECON 2210 – Principles of Macroeconomics	3	CDST 2200 – Interdisciplinary Learning and Multimedia Presentations	1
ENGL 1020 – Written Communication and Critical Thinking	3	CDST 3000 – Workforce Skills	3
Year 3 Fall Total	15	Year 3 Spring Total	17
Year 4 Fall	**SCH**	**Year 4 Spring**	**SCH**
CDST 3100 – Interdisciplinary Design Thinking	3	CDST 4210 – Senior Capstone	3
CDST 4110 – Research Invention	2	Cultivate Artistic Awareness or Humanities[4]	3
ENTC 4017 – Industrial Supervision	3	CDST 4950 – Special Topics in Interdisciplinary Studies	3
ENTC 3030 – Technical Communication	3	Critical Thinking Course	3
MGMT 3000 – Organizational Behavior and Management	3		
Year 4 Fall Total	14	Year 4 Spring Total	12
East Tennessee State University Total			58

[3] Choose 9 credit hours from: LEAD 4467; MGMT 3100, 3310; ENTC 2060, 4777; or PSYC 3340

[4] Whichever not completed at Northeast State

Total Degree Hours:

- Northeast State – 63
- East Tennessee State University – 58
- **Total – 121**