

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT Between



SOUTHWEST TEXAS JUNIOR COLLEGE

And

SUL ROSS STATE UNIVERSITY

Southwest Texas Junior College and Sul Ross State University share mutual interests for the availability and quality of higher education in West and Southwest Texas. There is further shared interest in issues for access to higher education for all groups in Texas, especially underserved groups, to ensure a viable and strong future for our respective service regions of the state and the contributions of all citizens. This Articulation Agreement is between Southwest Texas Junior College, hereinafter called SWTJC and Sul Ross State University, hereinafter called SRSU.

General Purpose

SWTJC provides course work at the freshman and sophomore levels for students in Uvalde

County and the surrounding area leading to an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Wildlife

Management. As the only comprehensive University in the Big Bend region, SRSU provides a course
of study leading to the Bachelor of Science (BS) degree in Natural Resource Management, with a
concentration in Wildlife Management. The purpose of this Articulation Agreement is to provide
guidelines and areas of responsibility that will ensure that students completing an AAS degree in
Wildlife Management at SWTJC will be able to transfer to SRSU with little or no loss of credit to
pursue a BS degree in Natural Resource Management – Wildlife Management concentration. It is
mutually understood that:

1) SWTJC and SRSU will cooperate in the development and continuation of parallel degree plans which will facilitate the transfer of credit from SWTJC to SRSU.

- 2) SWTJC and SRSU will each appoint an individual responsible for the continued update of and the sharing of information on degree plan changes, new courses, transcript evaluation, and other programs and projects as needed.
- 3) SWTJC and SRSU will work together to facilitate access to faculty members from SRSU through visits to the SWTJC campus to discuss programs and to share information. SWTJC and SRSU will also schedule visits by SWTJC students, faculty and staff to the SRSU campus to discuss individual degree plans, transferability of courses, curriculum and other topics as appropriate.
- 4) SWTJC and SRSU will review this articulation agreement annually and update as necessary.
- 5) This memorandum may be amended at any time or may be terminated by either party by giving one year's written notice to the other.

SRSU agrees to:

- 1) Prepare documents that contain information specific to students on the SWTJC campus relative to transferring to SRSU upon completion of their course work at SWTJC. SRSU will ensure that they are in the hands of the designated representative at SWTJC for distribution to SWTJC students.
- 2) Prepare and send to the designated representative at SWTJC a general report on the progress of students who transfer to SRSU thereby providing statistics which can be incorporated into institutional effectiveness studies at SWTJC.
- 3) Have the designated representative from SRSU visit the SWTJC campus at least once annually to visit students and the designated representative of SWTJC to share information and any changes in course work and degree plans. At the request of the SWTJC designated representative, the SRSU representative will invite faculty and other staff members at SRSU to accompany him/her on such visits.

4) Provide campus tours and information to individuals who may visit the SRSU campus as prospective transfer students.

SWTJC agrees to:

- 1) Provide the designated SRSU representative with a list of graduating students, including current addresses, phone numbers, email addresses and academic major during each semester in which this articulation agreement is in effect. Such lists will be used to provide information on programs, financial assistance, and other items of interest on transfer opportunities as appropriate. This information will be provided within the provisions of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA).
- 2) Assist SRSU in arranging for visits of prospective students to the SRSU campus as needed and requested by SWTJC students.
- 3) Arrange appointments through the designated representative with SWTJC students, faculty and staff as appropriate for the purpose of sharing information and discussing ideas and other activities of mutual interest.

SWTJC and SRSU jointly agree to:

14th day of June 2013.

Work together to further opportunity and access to higher education for all individuals in West and Southwest Texas through cooperative efforts and ventures initiated by either institution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have made and executed this Agreement, this

Dr. Hector Gonzales, President Elect Southwest Texas Junior College

Dr. Ricardo Maestas, President Sul Ross State University

Mr. Robert Zaiglin, Chair, Wildlife Management

Southwest Texas Junior College

Dr. Robert Kinucan, Dean, College of Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences

Sul Ross State University

Memorandum of Agreement An Articulation Agreement Between Southwest Texas Junior College And Texas A&M International University

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This Memorandum of Agreement summarizes the articulation agreement between *Southwest Texas Junior College* and *Texas A&M International University*. Every lower division *Southwest Texas Junior College* course within the Coordinating Board Academic Course Guide Manual will be transferable to *Texas A&M International University*, although all may not be eligible to satisfy requirements for an academic program or major. The two institutions will work together to develop agreements concerning the requirements of specific programs and majors.

The agreement stipulates that courses identified as fulfilling a core requirement at **Southwest Texas Junior College** have an equivalency at **Texas A&M International University**. Therefore, students, faculty, staff, and administration of the respective institutions may use this articulation guide to select courses at **Southwest Texas Junior College** which are transferable to **Texas A&M International University** and which satisfy core course requirements.

If a *Southwest Texas Junior College* student has completed the general education core curriculum, *Texas A&M International University* will accept the entire general education core curriculum, even if the student has not completed an AA or AS degree. A student shall receive academic credit for each course identified as part of the core curriculum, and will not be required to take additional core curriculum courses at *Texas A&M International University* beyond those not yet completed.

This agreement is subject to annual review when each institution's catalog is updated, and is valid for the 2014-2015 academic year. The participating institutions will continue articulation discussions on a regular basis to ensure that a smooth and cooperative transition for students exists between the institutions.

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