BI-LATERAL ARTICULATION AGREEMENT 2023-24

Between
APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY
AND
CALDWELL COMMUNITY COLLEGE & TECHNICAL
INSTITUTE

Programs of Study:

Caldwell Community College & Technical Institute

Associate in Applied Science in Speech Language Pathology Assistant

Appalachian State University

Bachelor of Science in Communication Sciences and Disorders

I. INTRODUCTION

This Bi-Lateral Articulation Agreement in Communication Sciences and Disorders, a major in the Department of Rehabilitation Sciences, formally recognizes that Appalachian State University ("Appalachian") and Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute ("CCC&TI") are active collaborative educational partners, committed to providing greater access, options and educational opportunities and services for students between institutions. This commitment strongly supports the concept of seamless articulation of transfer credit and assures that students from CCC&TI who complete the Associate in Applied Science degree in Speech Language Pathology Assistant with grades of "C" or better in all classes will receive up to 66 transfer credit hours toward the Bachelor of Science degree in Communication Sciences and Disorders at Appalachian. This program of study is available to students who intend to enroll either fall or spring and is effective beginning the 2023-2024 academic year.

II. JOINT OBLIGATIONS

- A. For the purpose of this Agreement, CCC&TI students must complete the Associate in Applied Science degree from CCC&TI, apply to graduate, and have the AAS degree posted on their official transcript. Only grades of "C" or better will transfer to Appalachian.
- B. CCC&TI students must apply for admission and be admitted to Appalachian to articulate appropriate course credit as outlined in this Agreement. Qualified students will be admitted until the class is filled.
- C. After application, CCC&TI students who wish to participate in the Agreement should contact the Appalachian program director of Communication Sciences and Disorders and Transfer Admissions and Engagement at (828)262-7877 or transfer@appstate.edu to inform them of their intent to enroll. CCC&TI students must complete a major declaration form prior to or at the time of orientation.
- D. The program director of the Speech Language Pathology Assistant program at CCC&TI will serve as the point of contact and coordinate all transactions regarding the Agreement with the Communication Sciences and Disorders Program Director and the Senior Director of Transfer Admissions and Engagement at Appalachian.

III. EVALUATION

- A. It is understood by both Appalachian and CCC&TI that there will be an evaluation and assessment of this Agreement every three years, the next of which will occur in July 2025. The information obtained from the evaluation will be used to improve and enhance the transfer process for the benefit of students.
- B. Appalachian and CCC&TI agree to exchange relevant and appropriate data and documents that will help to: identify and track students who take advantage of this educational partnership opportunity; contribute to the maintenance of this Agreement; and promote effective cooperation between both parties. The institutions will exchange admissions data obtaining appropriate permissions from the students involved and in compliance with all federal, state, and local laws.

IV. AMENDMENTS

Amendments to this Agreement must be in writing signed by authorized representatives of each party. The courses of study subject to this Agreement may be changed or expanded periodically by addendum mutually agreeable to both parties.

V. TERM / LONGEVITY

This Agreement shall be effective from the date last signed below and shall begin for the Fall 2023 semester, until it is terminated by either Appalachian or CCC&TI by submitting written notification to the other partner at least one year prior to the effective date of termination to allow students that have been admitted to Appalachian to complete their respective program.

Appalachian and CCC&TI enter into this Agreement in the spirit of cooperation and mutually recognize each other as quality institutions of higher learning. Each institution, furthermore, is dedicated to serving students from all walks of life, regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity and expression, political affiliation, age, disability, veteran status, genetic information or sexual orientation.

| Dr. Mark Poarch President Caldwell Community College & Technical Institute | Dr. Heather Hulburt Norris Provost & Executive Vice Chancellor Appalachian State University |
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