

BI-LATERAL ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Between

APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY

AND

WILKES COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Programs of Study

Wilkes Community College Associate in Applied
Science in **Criminal Justice Technology** and
Appalachian State University Bachelor of Science in
Criminal Justice

I. INTRODUCTION

This Bi-lateral Articulation Agreement in Criminal Justice a major in the Department of Government and Justice Studies formally recognizes that Appalachian and Wilkes Community College 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 concepts of seamless articulation of transfer credit and assures that students from Wilkes Community College who complete the Associate in Applied Science Degree in Criminal Justice Technology with grades of "C" or better will receive up to 59 transfer credit hours toward the 120 hour degree requirement in the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice. This program of study is available to students who intend to enroll either full-time or part-time and is effective beginning the 2019-2020 academic year. A fall or spring entry term is recommended.

II. JOINT OBLIGATIONS

- A. For the purpose of this articulation agreement, Wilkes Community College students must complete the Associate in Applied Science degree from Wilkes Community College, apply to graduate, and have the Associate in Applied Science degree posted on their official transcript. Only grades of "C" or better will transfer to Appalachian.
- B. Wilkes Community College students must apply for admission and be admitted to Appalachian to articulate appropriate course credit as outlined in this Articulation Agreement. Qualified students are admitted until the class is filled.
- C. After application, Wilkes Community College students who wish to participate in the articulation agreement should contact the Criminal Justice Curriculum Coordinator at (828) 262-2947 and the Office of Transfer Services (828) 262-7877 of his/her intent to enroll and complete a major declaration form prior to or at the time of orientation.
- D. The Chair of Public Service at Wilkes Community College will serve as the point of contact and coordinate all transactions regarding the articulation agreement with the

Criminal Justice Program Coordinator at Appalachian and the Director of the Office of Transfer Services.

III. EVALUATION

- A. It is understood by both educational partners that there will be an evaluation and assessment of this Articulation Agreement between Appalachian and Wilkes Community College every three years, the first of which will occur in June 2022. The information obtained from the evaluation will be used to improve and enhance the transfer process for the benefit of students.
- B. Appalachian and Wilkes Community College agree to exchange relevant and appropriate data and documents that will help to identify and track students that take advantage of this educational partnership opportunity; contribute to the maintenance of this Articulation 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 Articulation Agreement require the approval of both parties. The courses of study subject to this Articulation Agreement may be changed or expanded periodically by addendum mutually agreeable to both parties.

V. LONGEVITY

This Articulation Agreement shall be effective from the date last signed below until it is cancelled by either educational partner by submitting written notification to the other partner at least one year prior to the identified cancellation date in order to allow students that have been admitted to Appalachian to complete their respective program. The matriculation of this agreement begins fall 2019.

Appalachian State University and Wilkes Community College enters into this Articulation 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.

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