

**Articulation Agreement
Between The
KENTUCKY OFFICE OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION
AND
KENTUCKY COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM**

In order to offer a more seamless path of education and training for students in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, the Office of Career and Technical Education (OCTE) and the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) enter into this Articulation Agreement. The spirit of this Agreement is in accordance with the statewide P-16 Council and KCTCS statements advocating system-to-system alignment.

Coursework transferred or accepted for credit toward an undergraduate credential must represent collegiate coursework relevant to the credential, with course content and level of instruction resulting in student competencies at least equivalent to those of students enrolled in the receiving KCTCS institution's programs. OCTE will align appropriate curriculum for the Area Technology Centers (ATC) to offer the content and ensure the competencies designated in the specified KCTCS program of study.

ATC courses taught by individuals approved by the partner KCTCS institution as having appropriate credentials to serve as college faculty for the purposes of accreditation and dual credit will be approved for articulated credit. A student who earns a grade of "C" or higher in a pre-requisite course in the technical program sequence is approved to enroll in the subsequent course and may apply for articulated credit.

ATC courses taught by individuals not approved as college faculty by the partner KCTCS institution for dual credit are not automatically approved for articulated credit. College faculty teaching the subsequent course in the technical program sequence have the approval authority for articulated credit for the students who earn a grade of "C" or higher in the relevant ATC courses. The KCTCS institution will define methods for assessing student achievement of course competencies which may include but are not limited to an exam, interview, portfolio review, or demonstration.

For articulation purposes, credit earned by an ATC student will be applied to KCTCS program requirements when the student enrolls in the KCTCS institution and successfully completes a minimum of three (3) credit hours. OCTE and KCTCS agree that to receive credit toward KCTCS program requirements, the ATC student must enroll in an applicable postsecondary program within three (3) years of the last course completed at the ATC.

Students must meet KCTCS Assessment and Placement Policy guidelines via appropriate assessment instruments (e.g., COMPASS or WorkKeys). Assessments may be delivered by OCTE or KCTCS as agreed upon at the local level. All KCTCS institutions will recognize credit earned under this Agreement as stated in KCTCS policy. Where applicable, matriculating ATC students will be given preference in program admissions according to KCTCS admissions policies.

This Articulation Agreement may be terminated by either party of the Agreement at the time of annual review provided the party has given written notice of intent to do so at least one year in advance. There will be no charge to the student for KCTCS credit granted through this Agreement. This Agreement will be reviewed during the spring semester each year starting in 2008.


John Marks, Executive Director
Office of Career and Technical Education

1-3-2008
Date


Keith Bird, Chancellor
Kentucky Community & Technical College System

3 January 2008
Date