

**PROGRAM TO PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA (USD)  
and  
WESTERN IOWA TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE (WITCC)

---

Agreement with Respect to Applying the  
**FIRE SCIENCE**  
Associate of Applied Sciences Degree Program at WITCC  
Towards the  
**HEALTH SCIENCES**  
Bachelor of Science Degree Program at USD

---

**I. Parties**

The parties to this agreement are The University of South Dakota (USD) and Western Iowa Tech Community College (WITCC).

**II. Purpose**

The purpose of this agreement is to:

- A. have a signed articulation agreement that addresses the varying needs of students and complementary nature of the institutions' programs;
- B. provide increased educational opportunities for students from South Dakota and the region;
- C. extend and clarify educational opportunities for students;
- D. provide WITCC students who have completed the AAS degree in Fire Science an opportunity to earn a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Health Sciences.

**III. Academic Program**

**Graduation Requirements for the BS in Health Sciences at USD**

Health Science Major Requirements:	44
General Education Credits:	30
Block transfer credits from WITCC Fire Science:	46
<b>Total credits required:</b>	<b>120</b>

- A. Requirements to be completed at USD for the major in Health Sciences are outlined immediately below.

**Health Sciences major requirements**

Prefix	Number	Title	Credits
HSC	110	The Multidisciplinary Health Team	3
HSC	305	Human Relations	3
HSC	310	Health Care Delivery	3
HSC	350	Principles of Health Care	3
HSC	360	Technology in Care Delivery	3
HSC	380	Health Literacy and Culture Care	3
HSC	440	Major Issues in Health and Human Services	3
HSC	460	Leading Change	3
HSC	485	Healthcare Field Experiences	3
LDR	404	Leadership Communications and Conflict Resolution	3
PHGY	220/220L	Human Physiology and Integrated Anatomy I	4
PHGY	230/230L	Human Physiology and Integrated Anatomy II	4
<b>Student choice from three courses:</b>			
HSAD	305	Health Services Systems or	3
HSAD	310	Strategic Health Care Management or	
HSAD	400	Health Services Management and Epidemiology	
<b>Student choice from two courses:</b>			
SPCM	440	Health Communication or	3
SPAN/HSC	306	Spanish for Health Care Workers	
<b>Total Major Credit Hours</b>			<b>44</b>

- B. The general education coursework to meet Regental System General Education Requirements (SGR) and USD Institutional Requirements (IGR) must also be completed as outlined below. This coursework may be taken at WITCC if equivalent courses are available.

**General Education (SGR and IGR) Course Requirements**

<b>Written Communication and Literacy Skills</b>	ENGL 101 Composition	3
	ENGL 201 Composition II	3
<b>Oral Communication</b>	SPCM 101 Fundamentals of Speech	3
<b>Social Sciences</b>	PSYC 101 General Psychology*	3
	Soc 100 Introduction to Sociology*	3
<b>Humanities and Fine Arts</b>	Humanities and Fine Arts	3**
<b>Mathematics</b>	Math 102 College Algebra or higher	3
<b>Natural Sciences</b>	PHGY 220 Human Anatomy/Physiology I	0***
	PHGY 230 Human Anatomy/Physiology I	
<b>IGR 1: Additional Composition</b>	ENGL 210 Intro to Literature	3
<b>IGR 2,3,4: Integrations</b>	XDIS 310	3
<b>IGR 5: Aesthetic Experience</b>	Art, Music, Theatre	3
<b>Total General Education Credit</b>		<b>30</b>

\* Recommended courses

\*\* Additional 3 credits provided by ENGL 210 as IGR 1

\*\*\* 8 credits already counted in total for the major

**IV. Pathway One: Reverse Articulation (completing years one and two at USD, years three and four at WITCC, and transferring WITCC credits back to USD for completion of degree)**

- A. Students will complete the required Health Science major courses through the University of South Dakota during the first two years of their education. During the third year of their education, they will enter the Fire Science program at WITCC and complete the requirements for the AAS in Fire Science at the end of the fourth year.
- B. Upon successful completion of the requirements of the AAS degree in Fire Science, the student will transfer back to USD and apply for graduation. At that time, USD will accept a block of 46 technical course credits in transfer. In addition to the Fire Science technical course block credits, general education coursework that is equivalent to Regental courses will be transferrable and accepted by USD.
- C. USD will waive the graduation requirement that 16 of the last 32 credits for the baccalaureate degree must be earned as institutional credit.
- D. Students must meet all other Board of Regents and university graduation requirements in order to receive a degree.

**V. Pathway Two: Forward Articulation (completing the AAS in Fire Science at WITCC and transferring to USD to complete the Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences)**

- A. Upon successful completion of the requirements of the AAS in Fire Science, students may transfer to USD to complete the BS in Health Sciences. At that time, USD will accept a block of 46 technical course credits from the AAS degree in Fire Science. Students must successfully complete the AAS degree in Fire Science from WITCC prior to transferring to USD for the technical course credits to be accepted. Transferable general education coursework in addition to the 46 technical course block credits will also be accepted.
- B. Students will complete the requirements for the Health Sciences major and any other general education requirements that remain unsatisfied.
- C. Students must meet all Board of Regents policies and university graduation requirements in order to receive a degree.

**VI. Additional requirements**

- A. Students transferring coursework from WITCC must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- B. In accordance with BOR policy 2:28, students must demonstrate satisfactory performance in writing, mathematics, reading, and science reasoning as evidenced by receiving a passing score on all sections of the Collegiate Assessment of Academic Proficiency (CAAP) exam. In accordance with the Regental policy, students must take the exam during the first semester while enrolled at USD after completion of 48 passed credit hours. Students must have completed a specified 18 credit hours of general education courses prior to sitting for the exam.

**VII. Obligations**

Both parties agree to confer with each other on a yearly basis regarding changes in curricula involved in this articulation agreement.

**VIII. Modification**

This agreement may be modified from time to time by the South Dakota Board of Regents and Western Iowa Tech Community College.

**IX. Termination**

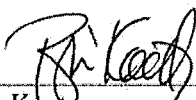
This agreement may be terminated by the University of South Dakota upon one year's written notice to Western Iowa Tech Community College. Student(s) enrolled in the program at that time shall be allowed to complete the program.

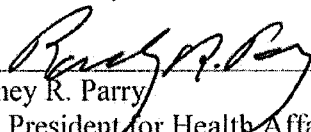
**X. Effective Date of the Agreement:**

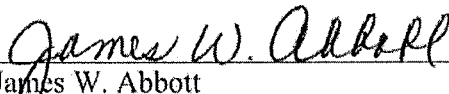
Start date of the fall 2010 term at USD and WTCC.

**XII. Acceptance of Agreement:**

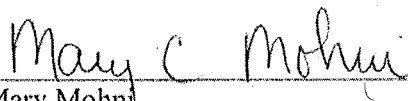
For The University of South Dakota:

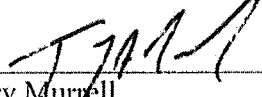
 \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 12/10/10  
 Brian Kaatz  
 Dean, School of Health Sciences  
 The University of South Dakota


 \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 1/3/11  
 Rodney R. Parry  
 Vice President for Health Affairs  
 The University of South Dakota

 \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 1/20/11  
 James W. Abbott  
 President, The University of South Dakota

For Western Iowa Tech Community College:

 \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 2/28/11  
 Mary Mohn  
 Dean of Instruction  
 Western Iowa Tech Community College

 \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 2/28/11  
 Terry Murrell  
 Executive Vice President  
 Western Iowa Tech Community College

 \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 2/28/11  
 Robert E. Dunker  
 President, Western Iowa Tech Community College