ARTICULATION & TRANSFER AGREEMENT

between

Pikes Peak Community College, Colorado
And
The University of Wyoming
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Pikes Peak Community College (PPCC) and the University of Wyoming agree to the following policies and conditions governing the transfer of credit earned at PPCC into a baccalaureate offered at the University of Wyoming. The principles, policies and guidelines in this transfer agreement shall apply uniformly to all students attempting to transfer credit earned at PPCC into the University of Wyoming.

For the purposes of this document, an AA or AS degree is defined as a two-year degree program of 60 credits, as specified in this agreement, 33-34 credits in the core curriculum, and the remainder from approved general education courses. This transfer agreement shall be published by the participating university and will determine the decisions made in regard to the transfer of credit.

Section I: ADMISSIONS CRITERIA & PROCEDURES

A. The admission standards of the institution including the grade point average required for admission.

Students seeking admission to the University of Wyoming must have a minimum 2.0 cumulative grade point average (GPA) for all college work attempted. All course work submitted for evaluation must be presented in an official transcript.

Admission to some undergraduate programs is competitive. All students who have achieved a 2.0 GPA will be fully considered.

B. The treatment of the GPA earned at the previous institution in relation to the GPA established for graduation.

The GPA used to determine admission to a baccalaureate program will be based upon the academic policies of the University of Wyoming. The University of Wyoming will use the GPA that is calculated from all institutions previously attended. The University of Wyoming will calculate a GPA the same way for all incoming candidates.
C. **Treatment of associate degrees as admission criteria.**

PPCC students who have completed an Associate Degree, who have been awarded such a degree, and who have maintained a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA and a 2.0 GPA in all transferable courses shall be fully considered for admission into the baccalaureate programs offered by the University of Wyoming (many programs require a minimum of a 2.5 gpa for admission). If the students are offered admission, the student will enter with junior standing, provided that all courses included in the degree carry a grade of "C" (or its equivalent) or better and the student has completed a minimum of 60 transferable credit hours.

Students who have not earned a degree will be evaluated on a course-by-course basis.

D. **Application procedures and deadlines.**

The office of admissions at the University of Wyoming has established application procedures and deadlines. A student should contact the office of admissions for details or consult the individual University catalog.

**Section II: Transfer of Credit**

A. **Policies for accepting grades in transfer.**

1. The letter grades on courses from the transferring institution that are accepted for transfer into a baccalaureate program will be treated in accordance with University of Wyoming grade policies.

2. Only academic courses with a letter grade of "D" (or its equivalent) or better will be accepted for transfer; courses with grades of "F", "IP", "I", "S", "U", "AU", "Z", are not transferable. Courses in which a grade of D is earned may not be applicable to specific degree requirements. Consult the General Bulletin for specific college and major requirements.

B. **Treatment of advanced placement and national, standardized test scores (i.e. DANTES, ECE, APP, CLEP) scores, and other non-traditional methods of awarding credit.**

1. Courses that are developmental are not transferable toward a four-year degree.

2. Students who have earned scores on Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) tests offered in high school may be awarded college credit. College credit granted will be recorded on a student's transcript in accordance with the PPCC grade policy, but in all cases will count toward graduation.

3. Credit depends on the test, the score, and college policy. Advanced Placement credit is evaluated upon receipt of an official score report from the College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB). Scores of 3, 4, and 5 are considered for credit.
Students should note that Universities require different minimum scores, i.e., some accept 4 while others accept a 3.

4. Students may earn college/university credit by examination in the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) in general education subject areas in which they have demonstrated college-level proficiency and by other non-traditional means. Credit already transcripted by PPCC is transferable as appropriate with other transferability requirements.

C. Maximum number of hours accepted in transfer.

The University of Wyoming has no maximum number of hours accepted for transfer.

D. Residency and upper division course credit requirements.

In order to meet graduation requirements for an undergraduate degree, students must complete at least 48 credits of the required upper division credits (course number 3000 or above) 30 of which must be at the University of Wyoming.

E. Programs where early transfer (prior to completion of an associate degree) is advised.

Early transfer is advised when students at the sending institution are unable to complete courses that are equivalent to specific degree requirements in a time period comparable to a native student's completion of the courses.

F. Treatment of the AA and AS degree in awarding credit.

For the purposes of this document, an AA or AS degree is defined as a two-year degree program of 60 credit hours with 33-34 of these in the core curriculum and the remainder in approved electives. Students who have earned a degree will be credited with the total number of credit hours for all non-remedial courses that were completed, provided that the courses carry a grade of "D" or better.

G. Maximum age of credit.

The University of Wyoming has no maximum age of credit accepted for transfer.

H. Treatment of community college core curriculum.

PPCC students who completed the Community Colleges of Colorado core curriculum, as certified on their PPCC transcript, are considered to have satisfied the University's lower division general education requirements. This condition applies to all PPCC transfer students who have completed a degree.
I. Accreditation requirements for transfer of credit.

This transfer credit is guaranteed only under the condition that the transferring institution maintains current accreditation by the Higher Learning Commission and North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

Section III: Degree/Program Requirements

A. Policies governing general education requirements:

For students who have not completed the community college core curriculum and whose transcripts do not certify core completion, University of Wyoming will evaluate the earned credits on a course-by-course basis.

B. Institutional graduation requirements including minimum number of hours and minimum grade average.

In order to graduate from the University of Wyoming, all students must pass the minimum number of semester hours, attain a cumulative grade point average (G.P.A.) of 2.0 on all course work completed after the transfer.

C. Catalog that governs the transfer student's experience and expiration dates.

Students transferring into a baccalaureate program may follow the graduation requirements in effect at University specified in the catalog during the academic year the student is officially matriculated into the University of Wyoming.

D. Course number system explanations and credit hour conversion table.

At the University of Wyoming, lower division courses are numbered in the 1000 and 2000; upper division courses in the 3000 and 4000; and graduate courses 5000 and above. Courses listed below College Algebra and English Composition I are considered remedial and do not count toward graduation requirements. Courses that are identified as technical in nature may not transfer to the University of Wyoming.

E. This articulation agreement applies to graduates receiving an Associate of Arts or an Associate of Sciences degree from PPCC. All graduates with an AA or AS degree complete a minimum of 60 college-level credits with a minimum of 2.0 GPA.

Common General Education Core

Pikes Peak Community College agrees that all Associate of Arts and Associate of Science graduates will complete a set of general education courses that will include the following 30 credit hours of coursework as a minimum.
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Writing/Oral Communications Courses 6 credits at the 1000 level or above
Mathematics 3 credits at the 1000 level or above
Constitution requirement* 3 credits at the 1000 level or above
Laboratory Science 4 credits at the 1000 level or above
PE/Wellness 1 credit
Arts/Humanities/ Social Science 9 credits at the 1000 level or above
Additional hours in any of the above categories 4 credits at the 1000 level or above

Articulation Policy

Both AA and AS graduates are required to meet UWs second math requirement.

All PPCC graduates (AA or AS degree) who have completed the Colorado Community College System Common General Education Core and, in addition, the second three (3) credit college-level math course and 1 credit Wyoming Government* course will be deemed to have met UWs lower division general education requirements.

PPCC graduates (AA or AS degree) who have completed the community college core, but who lack the second three (3) credit college level math course will be required to complete the second mathematics course either at the community college or at the University before they will be deemed to have met UWs lower-division general education requirements.

The student transcripts will certify that the PPCC student has completed an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science. In addition, the community college registrars will certify on the student transcript the achievement of the second math requirement.

There is no limit to the number of credit hours a community college student may transfer to the University of Wyoming. Fulfillment of requirements specific to a University program of study, however, shall be evaluated on a course-by-course basis by the appropriate department and/or the Registrar.

Implementation and Continuation

This agreement will become effective with the beginning of the 2008-09 Academic Year.

Assessment of student learning outcomes associated with general education and specifically the lower division core curriculum, continue to be a priority for all parties.

Learning outcomes information pertinent to the core curriculum acquired by parties in this agreement, or changing educational needs brought forward by any party, will be reviewed annually by the signatories or their designees.

Advising Recommendation

The University of Wyoming recommends that any transfer student also complete courses
with emphasis in Global Awareness and Diversity in the United States.

Section IV: Appeals Process

A. Institutional Transfer Appeal Process

Office to contact.
If a student disagrees with the transcript evaluation of courses, the student should file an appeal to University, Attention: Office of the Registrar.

This agreement will remain in force until such time as the curriculum of a degree program changes or other admissions practices change or the two-year college or four-year college request a reconsideration of one or more points.

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