# UNDERGRADUATE DOMESTIC ARTICULATION & TRANSFER AGREEMENT

#### between

### Western Dakota Tech

### and

# Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges dba Chadron State College

Western Dakota Tech (WDT) and Chadron State College (CSC) agree to the following policies and conditions governing the transfer of credit earned at WDT into a baccalaureate program offered at Chadron State College. The principles, policies, and guidelines in this agreement shall apply uniformly to all students attempting to transfer credit earned at WDT into CSC.

For the purposes of this document, an Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS), Associate of Applied Science (AAS), or Associate of Occupational Science (AOS) degree is defined as a two-year degree program of at least 60 credits. Students transferring an Associates of Arts (AA) or an Associates of Science (AS) degree to CSC will have met the CSC Essential Studies Program (i.e. general education) requirements except for three (3) credit hours of upper division essential studies credit hours if their earlier course work includes 30 or more credit hours of general studies courses. Students transferring an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) or an Associate of Occupational Science (AOS) degree to CSC who are pursuing a CSC Bachelor of Applied Science degree must fulfill Essential Studies minimum requirements in each of the Student Learning Outcomes as delineated in the CSC Undergraduate Catalog (for a total of 30 essential studies credit hours).

This articulation and transfer agreement shall be published by the participating college and will determine the decisions made in regard to the transfer of credit.

## SECTION I: CSC ADMISSIONS CRITERIA & PROCEDURES

- 1. To be eligible for admission without qualification, transfer applicants must have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of "C" (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) from an institution accredited by a regional higher education accrediting agency. Students with grade point averages below this level, or who earned credit from non-accredited schools, may be admitted on a probationary status.
- 2. The GPA used to determine admission to a baccalaureate program will be based upon the academic policies of CSC.
- 3. WDT students who have completed and been awarded an associate degree with a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale shall be considered eligible for admission into CSC baccalaureate programs unless the specific degree program of interest has a higher GPA entrance requirement. Admitted students with 60 or more earned credit hours will enter with junior standing, provided that all courses included in the associate degree carry a grade of "C" (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) or better.
- 4. Transfer courses for students who have not earned an associate degree will be evaluated on a course-by-course basis.

5. Applicants should contact the CSC Office of Admissions or consult the CSC catalog for application procedures and deadlines.

### SECTION II: TRANSFER OF CREDIT

- 1. Letter grades on courses from the transferring institution will be treated in accordance with CSC grade policies.
- 2. Only academic courses with a letter grade of "C" (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) or better will be accepted for transfer. Courses with grades of "C-", "D+", "D", "D-", "F", "IP", "T", "U", "AU", "Z", are not transferable.
- 3. Students who have earned scores of three (3) or higher 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 WDT grade policy, and in all cases, will count toward graduation.
- 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, or by other non-traditional means. A maximum of eighteen (18) credit hours of CLEP may be applied to a degree.
- 5. Students seeking a Bachelor of Arts, a Bachelor of Science, or a Bachelor of Science in Education degree at CSC may transfer a maximum of 66 credit hours from two-year degree programs. Developmental or remedial courses are not transferrable and do not count toward CSC graduation requirements.
- 6. Students with an Associate of Science (AS), Associate of Applied Science (AAS) or Associate of Occupational Science (AOS) degree who are pursuing a CSC Bachelor of Applied Science degree:
  - a) May transfer up to 70 credit hours into CSC
  - b) Must earn 40 upper division credits
  - c) Must fulfill Essential Studies minimum credit requirements in each of the Student Learning Outcomes as delineated in the CSC Undergraduate Catalog (for a total of 30 essential studies credit hours).
- 7. In order to meet graduation requirements for an undergraduate degree, students must:
  - a) Complete a minimum of forty (40) upper division credits (course numbers "300-499" or above) at Chadron State College, or through qualified transfer.
  - b) Complete a minimum of thirty (30) total credits at Chadron State College.
- 8. Lower division CSC courses are numbered 100 through 299; upper division courses are numbered 300 through 499; and graduate courses are numbered 500 through 799 and above. Courses listed below 100 are considered remedial or developmental, and do not transfer or count toward graduation requirements. Lower division transfer courses are accepted by CSC only as lower division credits.
- 9. CSC will accept credits earned within seven years of transfer. Transfer credits earned within seven years prior to transferring to CSC will apply to completion of the student's graduation requirements provided the corresponding course(s) covers equivalent material and learning outcomes. Courses earned more than seven years prior to transfer will be evaluated on an individual basis.

10. Transfer credit is guaranteed only under the condition that the transferring institution maintains current accreditation by one of the regional accrediting organizations (such as The Higher Learning Commission) recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) and the U.S. Department of Education.

### SECTION III: DEGREE/PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- 1. For students who have not completed an Associate of Arts or an Associate of Science degree, CSC will evaluate the earned credits on a course-by-course basis.
- 2. To graduate from CSC, all students must pass a minimum of 120 semester credit hours with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 (4.0 scale) or higher (as required by some programs) on all course work completed after the transfer.
- 3. Transfer students will be assigned the catalog in effect at the time of their enrollment. If continuous enrollment is maintained each year, students may choose to follow the catalog of their peer classification at CSC.

The agreement shall remain in effect until such time it is modified or cancelled in writing by the academic officer of either institution with at least 60 days prior notice. However, it will be reviewed every three years commencing from the final signature approval date on the document. Modification or termination of this articulation and transfer agreement will not affect students previously enrolled at CSC under terms of this agreement.

Western Dakota Tech

Date 3/16/15

Vice President for Academic Affairs

Chadron State College

Date \_\_\_

Vice President for Administration &

Finance

Chadron State College

Date 2/5/15