
PROGRAM TO PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

BLACK HILLS STATE UNIVERSITY (BHSU)
and
WESTERN DAKOTA TECH (WDT)

Agreement with Respect to Applying the
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE AT WDT

toward the

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN SOCIOLOGY, LAW & JUSTICE SPECIALIZATION
PROGRAM AT BHSU

I. Parties:

The parties to this agreement are Black Hills State University (BHSU) and Western Dakota Tech (WDT).

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. and to provide WDT students who have completed the AAS degree in Criminal Justice an opportunity to earn a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Sociology (Law & Justice Specialization) through BHSU.

III. Academic Program:

- A. The requirements for the B.S. in Sociology (SOC) degree with a specialization in Law and Justice at BHSU are as follows:

Requirement	Credit Hours
General Education	30 – 32
Major Core Requirements	27
Law & Justice Specialization	15
Supportive Electives	6

- B. In addition to the above requirements, students must complete a total of 120 credit hours, 36 of which must be completed at the 300 or 400 level. Students will also need to complete a minimum of 60 hours at a 4-year institution.

- C. Students completing a A.A.S. in Criminal Justice at WDT will **not** be required to complete a minor at BHSU for the B.S. in Sociology – Law & Justice Specialization.
- D. The tables below outline the B.S. in Sociology Major requirements and identifies WDT courses that will transfer for specific B.S. Sociology – Law & Justice Specialization.

1. Required Major Core (27 credit hours)

Black Hills State University				Western Dakota Tech			
Prefix	Number	Title	Credit Hours	Prefix	Number	Title	Credit Hours
SOC	100	Introduction to Sociology	3 ^a	SOC	100	Into to Sociology	3
SOC	307	Research Methods I	3				
SOC	308	Research Methods II	3				
SOC	330	Self and Society	3				
SOC	350	Race and Ethnic Relations	3				
SOC	402	Social Deviance	3				
SOC	403	Sociological Theory	3				
SOC	423	Social Stratification	3				
SOC	498	Undergraduate Research/Scholarship	3				
Total Major Core Requirements			27	Possible Credits in Transfer			3

^a Successful completion of SOC 100 at WDT will transfer in directly for BHSU SOC 100.

2. Required Law & Justice Specialization (15 credit hours)

Black Hills State University				Western Dakota Tech			
Prefix	Number	Title	Credit Hours	Prefix	Number	Title	Credit Hours
SOC	150	Social Problems	3				
SOC	201	Intro to Criminal Justice	3 ^a	CJUS	201	Intro to Criminal Justice	3
SOC	326	Mediation & Conflict Resolution	3				
SOC	351	Criminology	3				
SOC	452	Prisons & Penology	3				
SOC	455	Juvenile Delinquency	3				
SOC	456	Community Corrections	3				
SOC	491	Independent Study	1-3				
SOC	492	Topics	1-3				
SOC	494	Internship	1-3				
Total Specialization Requirements			15	Possible Credits in Transfer			3

^a Successful completion of CJUS 201 at WDT will transfer in directly for BHSU SOC 201.

3. Supportive Elective Courses (6 credit hours) ^a

Courses must be different than those used to satisfy general education and major requirements.	
	Credit Hours
Social Science: AIS/LAKL, ANTH, GEOG, HIST, SPCM	3
Humanities: ART, ARTH, ENGL, FREN, GER, HUM, MCOM, PHIL, RUSS, SPAN, THEA	3

^a Students transferring from WDT who have completed the A.A.S. in Criminal Justice will have the supportive elective requirement waived.

4. General Education Requirements (30 – 32 credit hours)

Discipline	Black Hills State University		Western Dakota Tech	
	Prefix/Title	Credit Hours	Prefix/Title	Credit Hours
Written Communication & Literacy Skills	ENGL 101 Composition I	3 ^a	ENGL 101 Composition	3
	ENGL 201 Composition II	3		
Oral Communication	SPCM 101, 215, or 222	3		
Social Sciences	SOC 100 Intro to Sociology	3 ^b	SOC 100 Intro to Sociology	3
	PSYC 101 General Psychology	3 ^b	PSYC 101 General Psychology	3
Arts & Humanities		6		
Mathematics	MATH 102 College Algebra OR	3	MATH 114 College Algebra	3
	MATH 103 Quantitative Literacy	3 ^c		
Natural Sciences	Natural Science and Lab	6 - 8		
Total General Education Credits		30 - 32	Possible Credits in Transfer	12

^a Successful completion of ENGL 101 Composition at WDT will transfer in directly for BHSU ENGL 101.

^b Successful completion of PSYC 101 and SOC 100 at WDT will complete the BHSU General Education Requirements in Social Sciences.

^c MATH 114 at WDT will satisfy the BHSU General Education Requirements in Mathematics.

IV. Articulation Details:

- A. Upon successful completion of the requirements for the A.A.S. in Criminal Justice at WDT, students may transfer to BHSU to complete the B.S. in Sociology with a specialization in Law & Justice. At that time, BHSU will accept a block of 48 technical course credits. Students must successfully complete the A.A.S. in Criminal Justice from WDT prior to transferring to BHSU for the technical course credits to be accepted. Transferable general education coursework in addition to the 48 technical course block credits will be accepted, remembering that BOR policy states 60 credits of the degree must be from a four-year institution.
- B. Students will complete the requirements for the Sociology 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.

V. Additional Requirements:

Students transferring coursework from WDT must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.

VI. Obligations:

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

VII. Modifications:

This agreement may be modified from time to time by the South Dakota Board of Regents, Black Hills State University, and Western Dakota Tech.

VIII. Termination:

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

IX. Effective Date of Agreement:

Start date of Spring 2020 term at BHSU and WDT. The agreement applies to students who graduated from WDT in 2000 or later.

X. Acceptance of Agreement:

For Black Hills State University

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