

## **PROGRAM TO PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

### **Agreement with Respect to Applying the Associate of Applied Sciences Degree Program in Surgical Technology**

#### **Towards the Interdisciplinary Studies Major Bachelor of Science Degree Bachelor of Arts Degree**

Between  
Western Dakota Tech  
and  
SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

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#### **I. Parties**

The parties to this agreement are Western Dakota Tech (WDT) and South Dakota State University (SDSU).

#### **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 institution's programs;
- B. provide increased educational opportunities for students from South Dakota and the region;
- C. extend and clarify educational opportunities for students; and
- D. provide WDT students who have completed the A.A.S. degree in Surgical Technology an opportunity to earn a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Interdisciplinary Studies at SDSU.

#### **III. Academic Program**

- A. Upon successful completion of the major requirements, as indicated below, SDSU will accept 51 technical course credits from the A.A.S. degree in Surgical Technology. Additional transferable system general education credits may be earned at WDT and may be transferred to SDSU. Students must meet all Board of Regents policies and university graduation requirements to receive a degree.
- B. Requirements to be completed at SDSU to earn a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Interdisciplinary Studies are outlined below.

The general education coursework to meet South Dakota Regental System's General Education Requirements (SGR) must also be completed as outlined below. This coursework may be taken at WDT if equivalent courses are available. Please note that BOR Policy 2.5 states, "Total transfer credit for work at two-year technical or community college may not exceed one-half of the hours required for completion of the baccalaureate degree at the accepting institution unless an approved program-specific waiver exists." For this program, that number is 60 credits.

System General Education Requirements SGRs (21-27 credits from classes on the approved lists in the SDSU Bulletin.)

1. SGR Goal #1: Written Communication ENGL 101 Composition I and ENGL 201 Composition II (6 credits)
2. SGR Goal #2: Oral Communication (0-3 credits)
3. SGR Goal #4: Humanities and Arts/Diversity (6 credits in 2 disciplines or a sequence of modern foreign language courses)
4. SGR Goal #6: Social Sciences (0-3 credits)
5. SGR Goal #5: Mathematics (3 credits)
6. SGR Goal #6: Natural Sciences (6 credits)

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Requirements (3-9 credits)

**Bachelor of Science Degree Requirements 7 credits**

1. Natural Sciences Class (4 credits) from the approved list in SDSU Bulletin, taken as needed to earn 10 or more science credits from at least two different disciplines, with a minimum of two labs
2. A minor, second major, teaching specialization: *Satisfied in full by completion of the A.A.S. degree from WDT.*
3. AHSS 111, Introduction to Global Citizenship and Diversity, (3 credits)

**Bachelor of Arts Degree Requirements 3-9 credits**

1. Completion of a Modern Foreign Language through the 202 level (0-6 credits)
2. A minor, second major, teaching specialization: *Satisfied in full by completion of the A.A.S. degree from WDT.*
3. AHSS 111, Introduction to Global Citizenship and Diversity, (3 credits)

Major Requirements (40 credits)

1. IDL 362 - Interdisciplinary Inquiry and Integration (3 credits)
2. IDL 479 - Interdisciplinary Studies Capstone (3 credits)
3. UC 489 - Transition to Careers (1 credit)
4. Goal-based Plan of Study [up to 15 credits from the technical block may count toward Plan of study] (33 credits)

Program or General Electives (0-17 credits): if/as needed to reach 120 credit hours total required for graduation.

**Total minimum number of credits at SDSU: 69**

**Total number of technical credits from WDT: 51**

**Total minimum credits required: 120**

Additional Requirements:

1. Students transferring from Western Dakota Tech must have a cumulative GPA of “C” (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) and no course grade below a “C” (2.0 on a 4.0 scale).
2. At least 33 credits for the degree must be upper-division (300 or higher) courses.

**IV. Obligations**

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

**V. Modifications**

This agreement may be modified from time to time by the South Dakota Board of Regents and Western Dakota Tech with approval from the South Dakota Board of Education. Modifications may not diminish the entitlements enjoyed by students who have already attended classes delivered under the terms of earlier versions of the agreement, except in rare instances in which retroactive implementation of modifications may be required to comply with accreditation standards or to conform to professional licensure requirements.

**VI. Effective Date of Agreement**

Start Date of Fall 2021 Terms at WDT and SDSU. The agreement applies to students who graduated from WDT within the 10 years immediately prior to application and admission into SDSU.

**VII. Acceptance of Agreement****For South Dakota State University**

Date: 5/24/2021

Dean, College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences


Date: 5/24/2021

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

**For Western Dakota Tech**

Date: 5-18-2021

President, Western Dakota Tech

**PLAN OF STUDY FOR  
Associate of Applied Science in Surgical Technology to enroll in SDSU's Bachelor of  
Science or Bachelor of Arts degree in Interdisciplinary Studies**

60 CREDITS AAS DEGREE SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

- 15 credits in general education
- 45 credits in technical education

Course No.	Course Title	Credits
<b>General Education Requirements</b>		
CIS 105	MICROCOMPUTER SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS I	3
SPCM 101	FUNDAMENTALS OF SPEECH* <i>or</i>	3
ENGL 106	WORKPLACE COMMUNICATIONS I*	
MATH 100	ELEMENTARY ALGEBRA** <i>or higher</i>	3
PSYC 101	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY <i>or</i>	3
PSYC 103	HUMAN RELATIONS IN THE WORKPLACE	
SOC 100	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY	3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Technical Requirements</b>		
HC 114	ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY FOR THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS	3
HC 135	MEDICAL LAW AND ETHICS	2
HC 213	MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY I	3
HC 225	PATHOPHYSIOLOGY <i>online</i>	3
ST 102	INTRODUCTION TO SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY	3
ST 111	INTRODUCTION TO SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY LAB	3
ST 128	SURGICAL PHARMACOLOGY <i>online</i>	2
ST 130	SURGICAL PROCEDURES I	3
ST 131	PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES OF SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY I	3
ST 230	SURGICAL PROCEDURES II	3
ST 231	PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES OF SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY II	3
ST 250	SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY CLINICALS	13
ST 251	SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY CERTIFICATION REVIEW <i>online</i>	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>

Suggested Transferable coursework

- MATH 114, College Algebra (3 credits)
- PSYC 101, General Psychology (3 credits)
- SPCM 101, Fundamentals of Speech (3 credits)