

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Academic and Student Affairs
Consent

AGENDA ITEM: 5 – J
DATE: May 9, 2023

SUBJECT

Articulation Agreements – USD

CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY

[BOR Policy 2:5](#) – Seamless Transfer of Credit

[BOR Policy 2:5:2](#) – External (Non-Regental System) Accredited University/College
Transfer of Credit

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

BOR Policy 2:5 – Seamless Transfer of Credit establishes requirements for institutions seeking to develop program level agreements for interested transfer students. The policy further establishes the distinction between AA, AS, and AAS degrees which are classified as transferable, terminal, or non-transferable degrees (respectively). However, the AAS is “transferable when a specific degree articulation agreement exists between a given A.A.S. degree and a specific Baccalaureate degree.” Agreements established with regionally accredited institutions must be developed in conjunction with the faculty, following all institutional guidelines and are monitored as a function of the institutional program review process. Once approved, the agreements apply only at Regental institutions with equivalent programs.

IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATION

To comply with BOR Policy 2:27, the University of South Dakota requests approval for the following revised articulation agreement:

- Students who have completed an AA degree in Addiction Counseling Emphasis from Western Iowa Tech Community College (WITCC) may apply up to 60 credits toward the BS in Addiction Counseling and Prevention program at USD.

Board staff recommends approval.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I – USD Revised Articulation Agreement: Western Iowa Tech Community College (WITCC)

DRAFT MOTION 20230509_5-J:

I move to approve the University of South Dakota’s articulation agreements with Western Iowa Tech Community College (WITCC), as presented.

PROGRAM TO PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

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

Agreement with Respect to Applying the
Addiction Counseling Emphasis
Associate of Arts (AA) Degree Program at WITCC
Towards the
Addiction Counseling and Prevention
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 USD/WITCC Addiction Counseling Emphasis Articulation program an opportunity to earn a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Addiction Counseling and Prevention.

III. Academic Program

Graduation Requirements for the BS in Addiction Counseling and Prevention (ACP) at USD

Addiction Counseling and Prevention Major Requirements:	45
General Education Credits:	30-32
<u>Block transfer credits from WITCC Addiction Counseling</u>	<u>43-45</u>
Total credits required:	120

- A. Requirements to be completed at USD for the major in Addiction Counseling and Prevention are outlined immediately below:

Pref.	Num.	Title	Cr. Hrs.
ACP Core			
ACP	116*	Study of Alcohol Use & Addiction (WITCC-SOC 216 at WITCC)	3*
ACP	117*	Study of Drug Use & Addiction (WITCC-SOC 217 Study of Drug Use and Abuse)	3*
ACP	220*	Fundamental Skills of Individual Counseling for Addiction (WITCC-SOC 180: Social Work Interactional Skills)	3*
ACP	222	Fundamental Skill of Group Counseling for Addiction	3
ACP	315	Ethical & legal Issues in the Addiction Profession	3
ACP	320 or 412	Adolescents and Substance Use & Addiction or Substance Use in Diverse Populations or Native American & Substance Use & Addiction	3
ACP	410	Addictive Family Systems and Family Counseling	3
ACP	417L	Individual Addiction Counseling Practicum	3
ACP	418L	Group Addiction Counseling Practicum	3
ACP	494	Internship in Addiction Treatment or Prevention	3
Total Hours Required			30
Select at least one of the following specializations (6 cr):			
Treatment Specialization			
ACP	422L	Substance Use & Addiction Treatment Continuum	3
ACP	424	Psychopharmacology of Alcohol and Drugs	3
Prevention Specialization			
ACP	421	Foundations of Substance Use and Addiction Prevention	3
ACP	426	Theory & Practice of Substance Use and Addiction Prevention in Communities	3
Electives - 9 credits			
ACP	320	Adolescents and Substance Use and Addiction	3
ACP	391	Independent Study: Substance Use and Addiction	1-3
ACP	412	Substance Use in Diverse Populations Alcohol	3
ACP	415	Native American & Substance Use & Addiction	3
ACP	421	Foundations of Substance Use and Addiction Prevention	3
ACP	426	Theory & Practice of Substance Use and Addiction Prevention in Communities	3
ACP	428	Gambling and Process Addiction	3
ACP	452	Addiction and Substance Use Counseling Theories	3
ACP	460	Co-Occurring Trauma and Addiction	3
ACP	470	Rural Telehealth	3
ACP	292 or 492*	Special Topics in Addiction Studies (WITCC-PSY 295: Co Occurring and Addictive Disorders & WITCC-SOC 295 Trauma & Resilience)	3*
ACP	494	Internship	1-12
Total Hours Required			45

*AA in Addiction Counseling students may use their WITCC courses to fulfill requirement.

- B. Students must meet all Board of Regents policies and university graduation requirements in order to receive an undergraduate degree. General education requirements are subject to change based on modifications made by the South Dakota Board of Regents.

General Education Requirements			WITCC Coursework (Must meet Regental System requirements)	
Written Communication and Literacy Skills	ENGL 101 Composition	3	ENG 105 Composition I	3
Oral Communication	CMST 101- Fundamentals of Communications	3	SPC112 Public Speaking	3
Social Sciences	*PSYC 101-General Psychology	3	PSY 111 Introduction to Psychology	3

General Education Requirements			WITCC Coursework (Must meet Regental System requirements)	
Mathematics	Math 102-College Algebra or higher	3	MAT 121 College Algebra	3
Natural Sciences	SGR #6	4	BIO 163 Essentials of Anatomy and Physiology	4
Advanced Composition	ENGL 201 Composition II	3	ENG 106 Composition II	3
Additional Social Science Course	*SOC 100-Introduction to Sociology	3	SOC 110 Introduction to Sociology	3
Additional Fine Arts/Humanities	MUS 100 Music Appreciation OR ARTH 100 Art Appreciation	3	MUS 100 Music Appreciation OR ART 100 Art Appreciation	3
Additional Fine Arts/Humanities	*PHIL 220	3	PHI 105 Introduction to Ethics	3
Additional lab science course/lab	SGR#6	4	To be determined	4
Total General Education Credit Hours			30-32	30-32

* Courses counting for major: One Natural Science Lab Class credit (4), two Social Science courses (6 credits) and one Fine Arts/Humanities already counted in total for the major under Non-Departmental Requirements.

Additional General Education credits approved to meet the SGR may be transferred if they meet Regental System General Education transfer requirements. Additional coursework that has been approved as equivalent to USD courses may also transfer in up to a total of 90 credit hours.

IV. **Forward Articulation (completing the A.A. in Addiction Counseling Emphasis at WITCC and transferring to USD to complete the Bachelor of Science in Addiction Counseling and Prevention)**

- A. Students must successfully complete the A.A. degree in **Addiction Counseling Emphasis** from WITCC prior to transferring to USD for the specialized course credits to be accepted. Upon successful completion of the requirements of the A.A. in Addiction Counseling Emphasis, students may transfer to USD to complete the BS in Addiction Counseling and Prevention. At that time, USD will accept up to 60 course credits from the A.A. degree in Addiction Counseling Emphasis. Regental policy states that students must complete 50% of their 120 credit hours at USD.
- B. **Admission Requirements for the ACP major:**
Addiction Counseling and Prevention majors of sophomore standing (a minimum of 32 semester hours) must apply for formal admission to the Addiction Counseling and Prevention major. Conditional admission requirements are:
1. Sophomore standing (32 or more credit hours).
 2. Overall G.P.A. of at least 2.5.
 3. Have completed ACP 116, ACP 117, ACP 220 & ACP 222 with at least the grade of "C."
 4. At the completion of ACP 222 students can make an application to the Addiction Counseling & Prevention major.
 5. Personal Statement of interest/ intention for the addiction profession
 6. Have health insurance.

C. Additional requirements

1. Students transferring coursework from WITCC must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.
2. The School of Health Sciences requires students to demonstrate Criminal Background Clearance prior to full admission to the Department of Addiction Counseling and Prevention and listing of immunizations are successfully completed.

V. Faculty credentials:

The instructor credentials to teach SOC 216, SOC 217, SOC 180, and PSY 295 must be a minimum of a master's degree in a counseling profession.

VI. Obligations

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

A. USD will provide:

- a. A representative from the USD Addiction Counseling and Prevention Program to visit with interested students from WITCC on a yearly basis.
- b. The designated representative from WITCC with advising materials, the USD ACP Student Handbook and the USD Addiction Counseling and Prevention Application on a yearly basis.
- c. The syllabi and pertinent course materials for the three introductory Addiction Counseling and Prevention courses.
- d. Yearly consult with the WITCC representative.

B. WITCC will Provide:

- a. Advisement to students interested in the USD Addiction Counseling and Prevention Program to ensure the requirements and process of transferring to USD follows program guidelines and keep advising folders.
- b. Yearly communication to ensure students are ready to transfer to the USD Addiction Counseling and Prevention Program.

VII. Modification

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

VIII. Termination

This agreement may be terminated by either party upon one year's written notice to the other. Student(s) enrolled in the program at that time shall be allowed to complete the program.

IX. Effective Date of Agreement:

The agreement applies to students who transfer from WITCC from the Fall semester of 2023 onward.

X. Signers of the Agreement:

For the University of South Dakota

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