# GENERAL ARTICULATION AGREEMENT CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY-TECHNICAL COLLEGES AND EASTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

#### **PREAMBLE**

Eastern Connecticut State University (ECSU) and the Community-Technical College System (CTC) are committed to a strong, formal, coordinated transfer and articulation system which will be of great benefit to students transferring from CTC to Eastern. It is in the spirit of good faith, mutual respect, and commitment to the ideals of higher education that the parties agree to cooperate in expanding and optimizing opportunities to these transfer students.

CTC and ECSU will cooperate in order to:

- 1. Strengthen the partnership that already exists between Eastern and the Community-Technical College System.
- 2. Provide barrier-free movement from the associate to the baccalaureate degree for students enrolled at the CTCs.
- 3. Eliminate unnecessary obstacles for CTC transfer students who need to satisfy Eastern's General Education requirements.

In order to achieve these goals, the Connecticut Community-Technical College System and Eastern Connecticut State University enter into the following Agreement.

## ASSOCIATE DEGREE RECIPIENTS FROM CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY-TECHNICAL COLLEGES

- 1. Associate degree recipients from CTCs who have achieved a Cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.0 or better (on a 4.0 system): (a) are admitted to ECSU and (b) are granted the amount of credit required for the Associate degree.
- 2. Grades of "D+" or "D" are accepted in transfer from CTCs.
- 3. Subject area courses which are not equivalent to courses offered by Eastern will be transferred within the subject area and will receive a subject area designation as follows: 1\*\*, 2\*\*, 3\*\*, 4\*\* (e.g. Psy 2\*\*) and may satisfy General Education requirements per ECSU policy.
- 4. College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) credits:
  - a) Transfer students receive CLEP credits according to ECSU policy (see <u>Schedule of</u> Credit for CLEP Examinations attached).
  - b) Other CLEP credits are transferred as free electives.

- 5. Military credits are transferred as specified by CTCs for subject areas offered by ECSU. All other military credits are transferred as free electives without subject area designation.
- 6. Non-traditional learning program (Life Experience) credits are transferred as specified by CTCs. All other nontraditional learning program credits are transferred as free electives without subject area designation.
- 7. Institutional examination credits are transferred as specified by CTCs.
- 8. Credits earned beyond the first Associate degree will be accepted if a grade of C- or better is earned in a subject area offered by Eastern.

### STUDENTS FROM CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY-TECHNICAL COLLEGES WHO DO NOT HOLD THE ASSOCIATE DEGREE

- 1. Transfer students accepted to Eastern will be granted credit for grades of "C-" or better in courses taken in subject areas offered by Eastern.
- 2. Military credits are evaluated based on recommendations of the <u>Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Services</u> published by the American Council on Education (ACE).
- 3. CLEP credits are awarded as indicated on Eastern's <u>Schedule of Credit for CLEP</u>
  <u>Examinations.</u> Passing scores are based on recommendations by the American Council on Education (ACE).
- 4. Credits in transfer from Non-traditional Learning Programs (Life Experience) will be accepted for subject areas offered by Eastern.

### ARTICULATION OF EASTERN'S GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

On May 1, 1992, the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University approved a Resolution aimed at making transfer of courses to meet ECSU General Education requirements more flexible. The Trustees declared that liberal arts transfer courses could be applied on a "disciplinary area by disciplinary area" basis rather than on a "course by course" basis. The following table outlines how Eastern will implement this Resolution in order to eliminate unnecessary obstacles for transfer students who need to satisfy Eastern's General Education requirements.

DISCIPLINARY AREA	NUMBER OF CREDITS	GENERAL EDUCATION CATEGORY AT EASTERN
English Composition	3	V - A
Humanities (other than English Composition and		
Foreign Languages)	3	II - A
Foreign Languages	6*	

Fine Arts	3	II - B
Social Studies	3	IV - B
Behavioral Sciences	6**	IV - A
Mathematics	3	III - A
Natural Sciences (Laboratory)	4	III - B
Natural Sciences (Non Laboratory)	3	III - B
Computer Science	3	V - C
Health/Physical Education	3	V - B

<sup>\*</sup>As an admissions requirement, Eastern stipulates that an entering student take two years of <u>one</u> foreign language (classical or modern) in secondary school. Students admitted without this requirement must complete one year of a foreign language (six credits) at Eastern.

#### **DEFINITIONS OF DISCIPLINARY AREAS INDICATED ABOVE:**

<u>English Composition</u>: Courses in which the objective is to improve writing skills to a collegiate level. Pre-collegiate level courses are not acceptable.

<u>Humanities</u> (other than English Composition and Foreign Languages): Courses in English, Foreign Literature in Translation, Philosophy, and Religion.

<u>Foreign Languages</u>: Courses in which the objective is to learn to read, write, and speak the language.

Fine Arts: Courses in Art, Music, and Theater.

Social Sciences: Courses in Political Science, Economics, Geography, and History.

Behavioral Sciences: Courses in Anthropology, Sociology, and Psychology.

Mathematics: Courses in Mathematics (any Math course but MAT 101, Algebra II).

<u>Natural Sciences</u> (Laboratory): Courses in Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Earth Sciences, Astronomy, Oceanography, Meteorology, and Geology with a laboratory requirement.

<u>Computer Science</u>: Courses in Computer Science and courses involving instruction in Word Processing, Spreadsheets, and DataBases.

<u>Health/Physical Education</u>: Courses in Health, Nutrition, Physical Education, and Physical Activity courses.

### GENERAL ARTICULATION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

<sup>\*\*</sup>At Eastern, History is used to fulfill GER Category IV – A.

- 1. ECSU will give priority for on-campus housing to CTC transfer students on a space available basis.
- 2. Transfer students who apply to Eastern Connecticut State University from CTCs need not present scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) of the College Board.
- 3. Students transferring from CTCs who are accepted early (by March 15 for fall and October 14 for spring) will be given advisement/registration appointments that coincide with ECSU's native student population.
- 4. Students from CTCs who question the outcome of their transfer evaluation may appeal to:

First Level: Director of Admissions and Enrollment Planning

Second Level: Vice-President for Academic Affairs.

- 5. The Admissions Office at Eastern Connecticut State University will continue to provide CTCs with a course-by-course equivalency listing.
- 6. ECSU and CTCs agree to continue their joint exploration of innovative approaches to program articulation.
- 7. A representative for ECSU and each institution in the CTC System will be responsible for monitoring the operation of this agreement. The respective presidents will appoint these representatives.
- 8. This agreement shall in no way affect the number of semester hours which ECSU may require in General Education nor shall it affect course requirement for majors, minors, or concentrations or prerequisite requirement for courses in majors, minors, or concentrations.
- 9. CTC and ECSU will review this agreement annually and make adjustments or amendments when necessary for the improvement of transfer procedures and program articulation.
- 10. This agreement shall remain in effect until mutually dissolved by the Executive Director of the Connecticut Community-Technical College System and the President of Eastern Connecticut State University. Modification to the terms of agreement listed above may be implemented by addenda memoranda signed by authorized representatives of the Connecticut Community-Technical College System and Eastern Connecticut State University.

11. This agreement shall take effect with the signing of both signatures below.

	For the Community-Technical College System
Executive Director:	
	Andrew C. McKirdy
Date: 7/20/93	
	For Eastern Connecticut State University
President:	
	David G. Carter

Date: 8/11/93