



**ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
GALLAUDET UNIVERSITY and the
AUSTIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

General Transfer

This document establishes an articulation agreement between Gallaudet University, located at 800 Florida Ave NE, Washington, DC 20002, herein referred to as Gallaudet University, and the Austin Community College District, located at 5930 Middle Fiskville Road, Austin; TX 78752-4390, herein referred to as ACC. The intention of this agreement is to facilitate the transfer process of academic credits of qualified students from the regionally accredited ACC into the four-year program at regionally accredited Gallaudet University for the purpose of providing a matriculation program at the baccalaureate level.

Students completing the ACC Associate in Applied Science degree, Associate in Applied Arts degree and Associate in Science degree, in accordance with the minimum standards set by Gallaudet University, may be admitted to Gallaudet University's undergraduate program provided they meet eligibility standards established by Gallaudet University Office of Admissions. Students who do not meet the aforementioned minimum standards will be considered for admission to Gallaudet University on a case-by-case basis. The guidelines that govern this articulation agreement are described below.

Terms and Conditions

- Deaf and hard of hearing prospective students must be accepted through the regular admissions process. Hearing prospective students must be accepted into the Hearing Undergraduate Students program (HUGS).
- Gallaudet University guarantees the transfer of college-level credits, provided that all coursework has been completed with a minimum grade of "C" or the equivalent.
- Course Equivalencies have been established to ease the transfer evaluation process; see Attachment A: Course Equivalency Guide. The equivalencies are subject to change and the current information is available on Gallaudet University Registrar Office's website.
- Undergraduate students, including those transfers from ACC, are required to complete the General Studies Curriculum as a part of their degree requirements. General Studies courses, which follow an interdisciplinary curriculum, do not

have exact equivalencies from ACC. A system of credit waivers has been established to waive these General Studies requirements, thus allowing students to complete their requirements in a timely manner. Information on the credit waiver system is available on Gallaudet University's General Studies Program website.

- Gallaudet University may require validation examinations in courses in which students have received transfer credit. Placement tests in English, American Sign Language and Mathematics are offered to determine appropriate placement in credit-bearing courses or non credit-bearing courses. An applicant may be admitted with conditions in English, American Sign Language, and/or Mathematics if the applicant corroborates academic potential and high motivation evidenced by good overall grade point average (GPA) in academic courses from ACC, acceptable scores on appropriate admissions exams, and letters of recommendation from school personnel, vocational rehabilitation counselors, or other professionals.
- Admitted hearing undergraduate students are eligible for financial aid through federal programs, but are not eligible for merit-based financial aid awarded to deaf and hard of hearing students.
- The Gallaudet University Office of Admissions reserves the right to request additional documentation and standardized testing from any potential transferee.
- Implementation and interpretation of this Articulation Agreement will be consistent with applicable and mandatory policies and procedures established by the accrediting and governing bodies of this institution and other agencies having jurisdiction over either institution.
- Gallaudet University agrees to provide current catalogs to ACC upon their availability.
- Gallaudet University agrees to provide enrollment and academic progress reports on ACC students who have enrolled at Gallaudet University.
- ACC and Gallaudet University agree to review this agreement annually and update the Course Equivalency Guide, if needed.
- ACC and Gallaudet University agree to assist each other in promoting this agreement in respective promotional materials, event, web sites and reports.

This agreement becomes effective with the signatures of all parties and shall continue in effect unless voided by either party upon ninety (90) days prior written notice. In the event that this agreement is terminated, the terms of the agreement contained herein will remain in effect for the maximum transitional period of two (2) years to accommodate students already enrolled under the agreement. Gallaudet University and ACC will consider in good faith any amendments either party proposes. The agreement may only be amended in writing, with amendments signed by both parties.

If at any time, this agreement conflicts with the policies and procedures of either institution, the agreement becomes null and void immediately upon written notification.

Gallaudet University

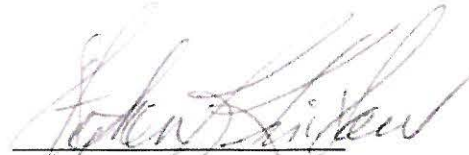


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