

**TERRA STATE  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**ANTIOCH  
UNIVERSITY**  
CONNECTED

**ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

**Between**

**Terra State Community College**

**and**

**Antioch University**

**October 2013 – June 2016**

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## **Article I Agreement on Principle**

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Terra State Community College (TSCC) is a public, two-year college accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and offers the following associate degrees:

- Associate of Arts
- Associate of Science
- Associate of Applied Business
- Associate of Applied Science.

Antioch University (Antioch) is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Through AU Connected (AUC), Antioch University offers a Bachelor of Arts degree in the following majors through its degree completion program:

- Health and Wellness
- Human Services Administration
- Humanities
- Liberal Studies: Individualized Concentration
- Liberal Studies: Creative Writing and Literature Concentration
- Management
- Sustainability

TSCC and Antioch have developed this articulation agreement for students who earn an associate's degree from TSCC and wish to complete their bachelor's degree through Antioch University Connected. The purpose of the agreement is to provide a smooth curricular transition for students, allowing them to transfer from TSCC to AUC without loss of credits or duplication of coursework. Antioch and TSCC enter into this agreement as cooperating, equal partners who shall maintain the integrity of their separate programs.

## Article II Agreement on Program Specifics

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Terra State Community College and Antioch University agree to the following conditions about transfer:

### Transfer Credit

1. Antioch agrees to accept any associate's degree awarded by TSCC as well as all credits earned with at least a "C" toward the fulfillment of any of AUC's bachelor's degrees.
2. Any TSCC associate's degree that contains a minimum of 60 semester credits will automatically be considered to satisfy the 60 lower division general education distribution requirements for all AUC majors, regardless of the actual courses taken as part of the associate's degree.
3. Only courses with a grade of "C" or better will be accepted for transfer to AUC. Students who transfer in fewer than 60 credits will be required to complete additional credits to reach the total minimum credits required for the major.
4. In general, AUC undergraduate degree programs require 120 semester credits. Of the 120 semester credits required for graduation, at least 45 semester credits must be completed with Antioch University.
5. A maximum of 75 approved transfer credits may be applied to the Antioch degree. Approved upper division credits may be accepted in transfer and applied toward the degree as long as the total number of transfer credits does not exceed 75.
6. Because each major has a specific credit requirement, the number of credits required for graduation may occasionally exceed 120, if the student's transfer credits approach the maximum and if the major requires more than 45 credits.
7. Transfer students shall be subject to the catalog in force at the time of their admission to AUC and to any revisions that occur after its publication and prior to their enrollment. Once admitted, transfer students shall be subject to the same regulations governing applicability of catalog requirements (including, but not limited to major, graduation, and/or residency requirements, policies, procedures, and standards) as native students. Furthermore, transfer students shall be accorded the same class standing and other privileges as native students on the basis of the number of credits earned.
8. Under this agreement, TSCC students will be encouraged to complete their associate's degree before transferring to AUC. Should a TSCC student transfer to AUC prior to completion of an associate's degree, Terra State Community College shall provide the opportunity for students to subsequently complete the associate's degree in absentia using AUC course credit. In this interest, all course work completed at AUC will be accepted and applied to associate's degree requirements at TSCC, consistent with the criteria used for native TSCC students. The same course may also apply toward baccalaureate degree requirements at Antioch University.

### **Transfer Pathway Agreements**

1. TSCC and Antioch will work together to maximize the acceptance and application of transfer credit. Transfer pathway agreements supporting this institutional agreement will be developed for each AUC major and delineate the TSCC transfer credits and AUC requirements. These supplemental transfer pathway agreements must be consistent with the tenets of this overarching institutional agreement.
2. Programmatic Transfer Pathway Agreements will be established:
  - a. An Open Transfer Pathway that applies to any associate's degree earned at TSCC
  - b. A Programmatic Transfer Pathway that applies to specific TSCC associate's degrees that are in the same academic areas as specific AUC degrees
3. Students transferring credit outside of transfer pathway agreements will have the application of transfer credit assessed on a course-by-course basis by Antioch University. Ultimately, the acceptance and application of transfer credit is the decision of Antioch University.
4. AUC will provide TSCC with updated transfer pathway agreements for each of AUC's majors on an annual basis.

### **Admissions**

1. TSCC students must meet AUC's admission requirements at the time of admission to AUC (see AU Connected Admission Requirements under this Agreement below).
2. Any eligible student who has earned any TSCC associate's degrees will be accepted at full junior status. Upon recommendation of the academic advisors, TSCC students who have completed at least 30 semester credits at the C or higher level with TSCC will be encouraged to apply to AUC for provisional admission.
3. Federal regulations mandate that financial aid can be disbursed to a student by only one institution during any given term. Financial aid eligibility through Terra State Community College ends when the student completes the TSCC degree and commences progress toward a degree program at AUC. Financial aid consortium agreements will be available to students pursuing a bachelor degree with AUC and exercised where permissible, with Antioch University serving as the home institution. Terra State Community College and Antioch University will designate the individual responsible for aspects of the financial aid consortium.

### **AU Connected Admission Requirements under this Agreement**

1. Applicants for full admission under this agreement must have completed an associate's degree from Terra State Community College.
2. Applicants must demonstrate evidence of the potential for success in an online bachelor's degree program as well as professional and personal responsibility, as indicated by recommendation from an TSCC academic advisor.
3. Qualified TSCC students who have completed at least 30 semester credits at the C or higher level with TSCC will be considered AUC for provisional admission.

### **Supporting a Seamless Pathway**

1. TSCC students who have completed at least 30 semester credits at the C or higher level with TSCC will receive an offer to apply for provisional admissions to AUC.
2. Upon acceptance of provisional admission, TSCC students will register for a zero-credit course with AUC and be eligible for access to designated AUC advisors and academic and student services.
3. Provisionally admitted students who complete their associate's degree from TSCC will be guaranteed full admission to AUC.

### Article III Agreement on Communication

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Terra State Community College and Antioch University agree to cooperate in communicating with each other and with common and respective publics concerning the established relationship between the two institutions.

- Terra State Community College will appropriately include this agreement in any listing of articulation and transfer agreements and will communicate this information through a web portal designed to disseminate transfer information to students, staff, and faculty. Other methods of communication, when appropriate, might include and are not limited to inclusion in the college catalog, program specific materials, and graduate mailings.
- Antioch University will appropriately include this agreement in any listing of articulation and transfer agreements and will communicate this information, and afford the appropriate training when necessary, to staff and faculty to support the Terra State Community College transfer student.
- Both parties agree to collaborate and cooperate on joint marketing, public relations, and lead generation activities.
- Terra State Community College is hereby granted a limited, non-exclusive, non-transferable license to use the Antioch University Connected name, trade names, trademarks, and logos during the term of this Agreement for the sole purpose of promoting this Agreement and Antioch University programs in accordance with this Agreement.
- Antioch is hereby granted a limited, non-exclusive, non-transferable license to use the Terra State Community College name, trade names, trademarks, and logos during the term of this Agreement for the sole purpose of marketing to the TSCC student and potential student population about this Agreement and AUC's programs in accordance with this Agreement.
- Upon termination of this Agreement, the limited licenses set forth in this section will immediately terminate and each party shall (i) cease all such aforementioned use; and (ii) discard, destroy or delete any printed and electronic materials containing the name, trade name, trademark, or logo of the other party. Neither party shall use the name, trade name, logo, or trademark of the other party in any way that would cause confusion in the public mind as to the relationship between the parties, and, except for the limited license set forth in this section, neither party shall by virtue of this Agreement gain any right, title, or interest in any name, trade name, trademark, or logo of the other party.

Faculty and staff at both institutions will share the information in this agreement with interested and qualified students, and both institutions will provide counseling and advising to students and prospective students.

**Article IV**  
**Maintenance and Review Body and Procedures**

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At least one administrative or faculty member from each institution will be appointed to act as agents for the implementation of this agreement, to speak for the institutions and to communicate changes to respective faculty members, advisors, counselors, and others to whom the information is pertinent. TSCC and Antioch agree to communicate annually any curricular changes in their respective programs that may affect this articulation agreement. During the second year, both parties will review the agreement for revision and, in the third year, for revision and renewal.

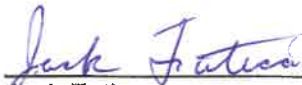
If this agreement is not renewed at the end of the effective period or if terminated prior to the end of the effective period with one year's notice, students who have selected and designated this articulated program prior to termination of the agreement will be given two additional years, beyond the initial three, to be admitted to Antioch University under the terms of this agreement.


Antioch University and Terra State Community College each reserve the right to terminate this agreement provided that at least one year's notice of a termination date is given.

This agreement is effective as of signing date in **October 2013 – June 30, 2016**.

This agreement may be executed in counterparts, and each counterpart, when executed, shall have the efficacy of a signed original. Photographic and facsimile copies of such counterparts may be used in lieu of the originals for any purpose.

**Signatures**

 10-21-13  
Date  
Jack Fatica  
Vice President of Academic Affairs  
Terra State Community College

 10/15/13  
Date  
Iris Weisman  
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs  
Antioch University