

Student Access and Success Partnership Program Articulation Agreement

Between

Texas Tech University | Edward E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering

And

Midland College

In order to increase the number of Texas residents completing a bachelor's degree and to help the State of Texas reach the goals set out in the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's 60x30TX initiative promoting access, affordability, quality, success, and cost efficiency in the state's institutions of higher education, the Edward E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering at Texas Tech University (TTU) and Midland College (MC) have agreed to participate in the Student Access and Success Partnership agreement.

The purpose of this partnership is to provide opportunities for students to continue an engineering transfer curriculum from Midland College to the completion of a Bachelor's degree curriculum in Chemical, Civil, Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Construction, Electrical, Environmental, Industrial, Mechanical, or Petroleum Engineering at Texas Tech University. Midland College and Texas Tech University will encourage students to complete an entire Engineering Transfer Curriculum at Midland College before transferring to Texas Tech University. A transfer course curriculum for engineering is included in this agreement.

Admission Criteria

MC students who transfer to TTU are eligible to receive degree credit for the courses listed in the attached addendum under the terms of this agreement. Although not covered by this agreement, transfer of additional coursework is possible. TTU will accept MC students' transferable core curriculum and other lower division MC courses within the Texas common course numbering system.

MCC students meeting the following WCOE *assured admission standards* for transfer students are guaranteed admission to the WCOE:

1. Complete 24 or more semester hours of transferable college work beyond high school graduation and
2. 3.0 cumulative GPA.

Transfer students meeting the assured admission criteria for the WCOE will enter into the college's "foundational" curriculum in their respective engineering major department (i.e. civil, chemical, etc.). Students will be required to complete a minimum of 12 semester credit hours with a GPA of 2.5* or higher of coursework applicable to progression in their respective engineering major to be fully admitted into their chosen departmental program.

*Note:

1. Mechanical engineering program requires a 3.00 or higher GPA
2. Petroleum engineering program requires a 3.40 or higher GPA and due to the competitive nature of this program only 250 students in a given academic year will be allowed to transition to the upper division degree program. The transition from lower-division to upper division curriculum occurs annually in December.

Texas Tech University agrees to:

1. Promote the seamless transfer of students to TTU by ensuring that MC course equivalency evaluations are current and readily available to students and academic advisors at MC;
2. Provide pre-transfer academic advising per semester through CCTR academic advisors while students are attending MC.
3. Develop a process whereby transcript information from TTU will be reported back to MC to allow for the awarding of "Reverse Articulated" associate degree(s);
4. Provide communication regarding admissions policy and procedure updates, campus recruitment events, and scholarship opportunities to MC;
5. Provide a link to MC on the Whitacre College of Engineering websites;
6. Provide link to MC on the CCTR website;
7. TTU is accredited by the SACSCOC. As part of this agreement between MC and TTU and in order for TTU to remain compliant with SACSCOC Comprehensive Standards, MC will ensure that all courses related to this agreement are taught by qualified faculty holding appropriate and acceptable degrees and/or credentials as outlined by SACSCOC Comprehensive Standards 3.4.11, 3.5.4 and 3.7.1.

Midland College agrees to:

1. Promote the seamless transfer of students to TTU by ensuring that information on the transfer equivalency for MC course(s) is current and readily available to both students and academic advisors at MC.
2. Encourage students to utilize the academic advising services and resources offered through the Office of Community College & Transfer Relations (CCTR) at TTU.
3. Within legal guidelines, provide information about prospective transfer students with the goal of making students aware of scholarship and other financial aid opportunities and the potential to satisfy Associate and Bachelor's degree requirements by transferring course work between both institutions.
4. Provide a link to TTU, CCTR, and Whitacre College of Engineering on the MC website;
5. Ensure that all courses related to this agreement are taught by qualified faculty holding appropriate and acceptable degrees and/or credentials as outlined by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) Comprehensive Standards 3.4.11, 3.5.4 and 3.7.1.

This agreement shall:

1. Commence when it has been signed by the appropriate administrators of both institutions;
2. Be reviewed annually by representatives of both institutions and, where appropriate, modified;
3. Expire December 31, 2018. The agreement may be renewed for one (1) two-year period upon mutual agreement of the parties, to be evidenced in writing prior to the expiration date of the initial term. Either party may terminate the partnership by sending written notification to the other party a minimum of 120 days prior to the desired termination date. Should the partnership be terminated, both parties agree to make provisions for degree completion for students participating under the terms of the partnership at the time of termination.

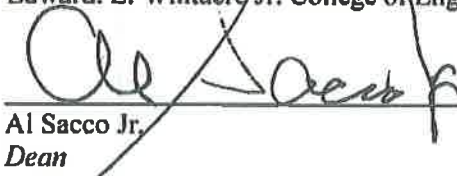
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Texas Tech University Signatures

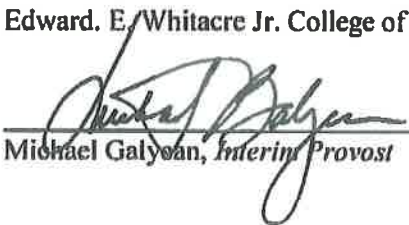
Jennifer Adling, *Managing Director - Procurement Services* Date _____



Victoria Coverstone, *Associate Dean-Undergraduate Studies*
Edward. E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering Date 12/5/16



Al Sacco Jr.,
Dean Date 12/12/16

Edward. E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering


Michael Galvan, *Interim Provost* Date 12/16/16

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Margaret Wade, *Dean - Mathematics and Science* Date 1-3-17



Richard Jolly, *Executive Vice President* Date 1/3/17

