

### Systemwide Articulation Agreement Between Colleges in The College System of Tennessee For the Period of Summer 2022 through Summer 2025

## Articulation of MECHATRONICS Delivered at the Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology to be Applied Toward The A.A.S. in MECHATRONIC TECHNOLOGY Delivered at Specified Community Colleges in Tennessee

The Tennessee community colleges hereinafter referred to as the "CC(s)" and the Tennessee colleges of applied technology hereinafter referred to as the "TCAT(s)" have entered into a statewide partnership which promotes student transfer and program articulation. The partnership is for the purpose of providing eligible TCAT students the opportunity to receive college credit upon successful completion of a qualified program at a TCAT and/or by earning recognized industry certification(s) as identified in "APPENDIX A."

#### **OVERVIEW**

In accordance with the guidelines set forth by the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR), the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC), and the procedures established by the individual CCs, we hereby enter into this Agreement to provide the eligible TCAT students the opportunity to receive college credit upon successful completion of a qualified program at a TCAT and by earning recognized industry certification(s) or meeting other criteria as identified in "APPENDIX A."

The CCs determine awarded credits based upon the course completion(s), certification(s) earned, or other specified requirements.

- 1. TCATs will indicate on student transcripts the specific coursework completed and certifications taken and passed (if known).
- 2. When evaluating student transcripts, the CC will award credit based on criteria identified in "APPENDIX A."
- 3. In addition, CCs may award credit based upon evaluation of transcripts on a course-bycourse basis.
- 4. Pre-requisite courses must be considered prior to accepting credit via this agreement.
- 5. Students must meet the standards and follow the procedures of the individual CC catalog for the year they enrolled in the articulated course/program or follow the current year CC catalog.
- 6. The awarding of any nontraditional credit (e.g. CLEP, AP credit-by-exam, military services, etc.) may be granted for coursework not identified in "APPENDIX A."
- 7. Upon an institution's request this agreement will be reviewed.
- 8. This agreement will remain in effect until modified or rescinded by the duly authorized signatories, or until the term of the agreement has expired.
- 9. The CCs and the TCATs shall:
  - a. Designate a responsible party to provide oversight of details and disseminate general program information to students.
  - a. Determine course(s) to award credit based upon recommendation of content

faculty.

- b. Agree to review every three years the certifications/courses and/or Student Learning Outcomes for which college credit will be awarded.
- d. Establish a process to ensure effective coordination between the individual CC(s) and TCAT(s). The Statewide Articulation Committee shall serve as a resource for questions or concerns that may arise and will consist of representatives from both the CC(s) and the TCAT(s) that are faculty or curriculum coordinators for the discipline as appointed by the chief academic officer at the CC and the President at the TCAT.
- 10. The SACSCOC accredited institution agrees to accept specific course work from a non-SACSCOC accredited institution to be applied toward an award from a SACSCOC accredited institution. That course work may not be accepted by other colleges or universities in transfer, even if it appears on a student transcript. The decision to accept course work in transfer from any institution is made by the receiving institution, and the acceptance of credits or course work is based on the receiving institution's regulations and guidelines."
- 11. This agreement will commence the semester following the signing thereof.



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#### APPENDIX A

Awarding of College Credit to <u>Mechatronics</u> graduates of Tennessee Colleges of Technology into the A.A.S. in <u>Mechatronics Technology</u>

Community College Course	Credit Hours	TCAT Course Titles
MECH 1310 – Electrical Components	3	MEC 2010- DC Electrical, and MEC 2020- AC Electrical
MECH 1320 – Mechanical Components & Electric Motors	3	MEC 1090- Mechatronics I MEC 2030- AC/DC Electronics Circuits & Digital MEC 2050- Motor Controls, and MEC 3031- Mechatronics II
MECH 1330 – Electro- pneumatic and Hydraulic Control Circuits	3	MEC 2060- Fluid Powers
MECH 1340 – Digital Fundamentals and PLCs	3	MEC 2040- Programmable Logic Controllers, and MEC 4011- Mechatronics III

MECH 1350 – Industrial Robots	3	MEC 3021- Robotics
MECH 2320 – Motor Control	3	MEC 2050- Motor Controls, and MEC 4011- Mechatronics III
* MECH 2441 – Intro to Totally Integrated Automation	4	MEC 4010- Mechatronics III
*Total credit hours available to earn	22	

<sup>\*</sup> Students seeking credit for MECH 2441 must also pass a challenge exam.

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