

**Articulation Agreement
Between
COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY
And
HORRY-GEORGETOWN TECHNICAL COLLEGE**

**Partnership for Horry-Georgetown Technical College Associate in Applied Science Civil Engineering
Technology and Coastal Carolina University Bachelor of Science in Engineering Science**

This Transfer Articulation Agreement (“TAA”) is made between Coastal Carolina University (hereinafter “CCU”) and Horry-Georgetown Technical College (hereinafter “HGTC”) and becomes effective as of the date in the term section below.

Horry-Georgetown Technical College is a publicly supported comprehensive community/technical college, part of the SC Technical College System, and is authorized to award associate degrees, diplomas and certificates. Coastal Carolina University is a public, mid-sized, comprehensive liberal arts-oriented institution offering undergraduate and graduate degrees. Both institutions are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this TAA is to articulate unique terms and conditions of students transferring from HGTC’s AAS program in Civil Engineering Technology into the BS program in Engineering Science at Coastal Carolina University. This TAA establishes a clear pathway for students to transition from HGTC’s AAS program in Civil Engineering Technology into the BS program in Engineering Science at Coastal Carolina University, including support services and specific course requirements and recommended sequences. The recommended sequence is attached to this agreement.

TERM

This TAA shall be effective as of **August 20, 2025**. This agreement will be reviewed annually by both parties and amended as mutually agreed upon during that review.

**SUMMARY OF UNIQUE CURRICULAR ELEMENTS, CO-CURRICULUR ELEMENTS, AND
ADMISSION REGULATIONS**

The standard course equivalencies between the respective degrees are listed in Appendix A. Transfer students who have earned an AAS degree will be academically guaranteed admission provided they satisfy the nonacademic portion of the admission application. In addition to the standard equivalencies established, Coastal Carolina will do the course substitution specified in D in the “Obligations of Coastal Carolina University” section.

TARGET STUDENTS

Students transferring from HGTC's Civil Engineering Technology AAS to CCU's BS in in Engineering Science at Coastal Carolina University are the target population.

OBLIGATIONS OF HGTC

- A. HGTC will advise its students of the details of the agreement as they pertain to admission requirements and transfer credits and will appoint an HGTC faculty member to be responsible for these matters.
- B. HGTC will appoint a HGTC faculty member to be responsible for coordinating the implementation of the courses related to this agreement.

OBLIGATIONS OF COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY

- A. CCU shall accept a maximum of seventy-six (76) credit hours of articulated HGTC coursework towards CCU's Bachelor of Science in Engineering Science.
- B. There are 86 universally transferrable courses approved by the public colleges and universities and the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education as well as additional courses that are already approved for transfer credit by Coastal Carolina University. See the full list in *The Transfer Guide and Academic Plan*. These courses listed in the *Transfer Guide and Academic Plan* are the standard equivalencies. CCU shall continue to accept standard equivalencies as well as TAA-specific course equivalencies not included in the standard equivalencies. TAA-specific course equivalencies are those equivalencies created by this agreement.
- C. CCU will appoint the department chair for the Engineering Science program to be responsible for addressing issues that may arise related to this TAA so that issues may better be collectively resolved.
- D. CCU will do a course substitution to allow ENGL 211 count for ENGR 250. HGTC's ENG 160 transfers in as ENGL 211.
- E. If the TAA is dissolved after a student admitted under the terms of this TAA becomes a CCU student, the student will be allowed to complete their degree under the terms of the TAA in a reasonable time frame. This will typically be considered to be three years from their first semester.

MUTUAL OBLIGATIONS OF CCU AND HGTC

- A. For TAA-specific course equivalencies not included in the standard equivalences, CCU and HGTC shall work together to try to ensure that these equivalencies last the life of the TAA. Yearly evaluations and inter-institution communications will alert both parties to curricular changes that may necessitate revision of the TAA. Should it be determined that any of the TAA-specific course equivalences are ultimately ineligible for a course equivalency due to factors unforeseen at the time of this agreement, both CCU and HGTC will work to notify students of this change.
- B. Under supervision of primary contacts at each institution (HGTC faculty member and CCU department chair), CCU and the HGTC agree to jointly and collaboratively recruit students and develop guides and related materials for use in advisement and recruitment activities. Such materials shall include but not be limited to brochures, fliers, and informational sessions for HGTC students. These students will include but are not limited to working school personnel in the school systems of participating counties. CCU and HGTC agree to share data on students participating in this TAA.
- C. CCU and HGTC agree to notify each other of relevant changes in the curriculum.
- D. CCU and HGTC shall work collaboratively to ensure consistency in student advising as it relates to the terms of this agreement. Two group advising sessions will be scheduled per year to be held in the fall and spring semesters on the HGTC campus.
- E. CCU and HGTC shall adhere to all confidentiality regulations promulgated by federal, state, or local governments with regard to the treatment of student records as well as those governing the information retained and distributed by CCU.
- F. In all hiring or employment made possible by or resulting from this Agreement, CCU and HGTC agree there

shall be no discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment because of disability, age, race, religion, sex or national origin. In addition, all personnel of CCU working pursuant to this agreement shall hold appropriate qualifications for the services they provide.

- G. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as guaranteeing HGTC students, who complete some eligible courses for transfer credit, admission to Coastal Carolina University.
- H. CCU and HGTC shall comply with all requirements of applicable federal and state laws, including but not limited to the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Drug Free Workplace Act.

OBLIGATIONS OF STUDENTS

- A. Students shall consult CCU's Course Catalog, University policies and procedures and admission requirements for guidance on specific academic programs and additional details regarding admission to the University.
- B. Students shall meet with a Coastal Carolina University advisor prior to enrolling in CCU's coursework. The student's meeting with an advisor shall take place prior to graduation from HGTC, or as soon as possible following the student's completion of the associate degree.
- C. Students shall be in good standing with HGTC and enroll in courses at CCU in order to be eligible for CCU course equivalency.

TERMINATION

Either CCU or HGTC may terminate this TAA at any time by giving written notice of said termination, should the other party fail to substantially perform its obligations under the TAA. Either party may terminate this TAA without cause at any time, upon mutual agreement between the parties, or by giving the other party at least 60 days advance written notice which does not interrupt the conclusion of a course or course sequence in progress.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

- A. This TAA constitutes the entire agreement of the parties hereto, and supersedes all prior understandings with respect to the subject matter hereof.
- B. This Agreement, including any and all Appendices may be amended only by an instrument in writing executed by both parties hereto. The modification of any future Appendix or Appendices shall in no way alter any other terms and conditions in the Agreement.
- C. Should any provision of this TAA be declared or be determined by any court to be illegal or invalid, the validity of the remaining parts, terms and provisions shall not be affected thereby, and said illegal or invalid part, term or provision shall be deemed not to be a part of this TAA.
- D. This TAA may not be assigned by either party hereto without prior written consent of the other parties. Nothing in this TAA, express or implied, is intended to confer upon any person, other than the parties to this TAA and their successors and permitted assigns, any rights or remedies under or by reason of this TAA.
- E. This TAA shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- F. If default be made in the performance of or compliance with any obligations herein, by either party, the non-prevailing party in any action brought to enforce the terms of this TAA shall be responsible to the prevailing party for the reimbursement of all reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred by the prevailing party in such action.
- G. The section and paragraph headings in this TAA are for reference purposes only and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this TAA.
- H. This TAA may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute the same instrument.
- I. This TAA shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of South Carolina.
- J. All notices or other communications required or permitted to be given under this TAA shall be in writing and shall be deemed given to a party when (a) delivered by hand or by a nationally recognized overnight courier service (costs prepaid), (b) sent by facsimile or e-mail with confirmation of transmission by the transmitting

equipment, or (c) received or rejected by the addressee, if sent by certified mail, postage prepaid and return receipt requested, in each case to the following:

If to HGTC:

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AND


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{The Parties' Signatures Appear on the Following Page}


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, CCU has caused this Transfer Articulation Agreement to be executed as of the date first above written.


Signed by:

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Dr. James Winebrake
President
Coastal Carolina University

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Dr. Gibbs Knotts
Provost/VP for Academic Affairs
Coastal Carolina University

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, HGTC has caused this Transfer Articulation Agreement to be executed as of the date first above written.

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Dr. Marilyn J. Fore
President
Horry-Georgetown Technical College

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Dr. Jennifer Wilbanks
Executive Vice President for Academics
Horry-Georgetown Technical College

APPENDIX A

These course equivalencies in Appendix A are part of the student pathway and coursework but already part of the standard equivalencies.

Course Equivalencies Matrix		
HGTC Courses	Criteria for Course Equivalency Credit	CCU Course
CET 127: Building Construction and Print Reading	A grade of 'C' or better	No course equivalency
EGR 170: Engineering Materials	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR 302: Materials Science for Engineer
EGR 270: Introduction to Engineering	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR 201 Engineering Problem Solving
EGR 282 Introduction to Civil Engineering	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR 199 Cornerstone Design
MAT 175 Algebra and Trigonometry I	A grade of 'C' or better	MATH 135 PreCalculus
EGR 260: Engineering Statics	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR 234: Engineering Mechanics 1
EGR 275: Intro. to Engineering/Computer Graphics	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR 102: Engineering Graphics Comm
EGR 285: Engineering Surveying I	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR 396: Engineering Professional Devel
EGR 295: Engineering Surveying Lab I	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR 396: Engineering Professional Devel
ENG 101 English Composition I	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGL 101 Composition
SPC 205: Speech	A grade of 'C' or better	COMM 140: Public Speaking

CET 210 Strength of Materials	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR XXX Engineering Elective
EGR 286: Engineering Surveying II	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR XXX: Engineering Elective
ERG 296: Engineering Surveying Lab II	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR XXX: Engineering Elective
ERG 289: SCWE in Civil Engineering Technology "Internship"	Pass	ENGR 495 Engineering Internship
CET 216: Soil Mechanics	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR XXX: Engineering Elective
CET 218 Hydraulics	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR XXX Engineering Elective
CET 242: Concrete Design	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR XXX: Engineering Elective
ENG 102 English Composition II	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGL 102 Composition & Critical Reading
PSY 201: General Psychology	A grade of 'C' or better	PSYC 101 General Psychology
CET 245: Cost Estimating	A grade of 'C' or better	No course equivalency
CET 246: Environmental Systems Technology	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR 370: Environmental Engineering
CET 251: Highway Design	A grade of 'C' or better	No course equivalency
EGR 288: Drainage Design	A grade of 'C' or better	ENGR 470: Water Resources Engineering
PHI 110: Ethics	A grade of 'C' or better	PHIL 102: Introduction to Ethics

