

**PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

**BETWEEN**

**ILLINOIS EASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
(FRONTIER COLLEGE)  
FAIRFIELD, IL**

**AND**

**SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY CARBONDALE  
CARBONDALE, IL**

In an effort to provide a continued, articulated higher education baccalaureate degree program that will build on community college and university learning experiences, and also eliminate duplication of instruction, this agreement is entered into this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021 (Effective Date) by and between Illinois Eastern Community College (Frontier College) and the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University, by and on behalf of Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

**I. TERM AND TERMINATION**

- A. Term. This Agreement shall commence as of the Effective Date (or if no Effective Date is indicated, upon the date the Agreement is fully executed by the Parties) and shall remain in effect for a period of five (5) years thereafter. The Parties may renew or extend this Agreement only by written instrument signed by the authorized representatives of each Party.
- B. Termination. This Agreement may be terminated by either Party, with or without cause, upon 60 days advance written notice. The Parties agree that no additional students shall be accepted into the program after a Party's receipt of any written notice of termination. No qualified student then-enrolled in the program shall be deprived the opportunity to complete the program requirements solely due to termination.

**II. TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS**

- A. All graduates of Illinois Eastern Community College (Frontier College) with an Associates of Applied Science (A.A.S.) in Automotive Technology and meeting SIU Carbondale admission requirements will be considered for admission into SIU Carbondale's Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Automotive Technology (AUT)

in the College of Health and Human Sciences based upon the Department's enrollment criteria and space availability.

B. An Illinois Eastern Community College (Frontier College) graduate receiving an Associates of Applied Science (A.A.S.) in Automotive Technology and following the degree plan attached to this agreement, will be considered for admission to SIU Carbondale's Automotive Technology (AUT) program if the following are met:

1. The student has earned a minimum of 68 semester hours transferable to SIU Carbondale
2. The student has earned an overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or above (4.0 scale) for his or her collegiate work as calculated by SIU Carbondale's grading regulations
3. Confirmation by the SIU Carbondale College of Health and Human Sciences that the student has satisfactorily completed the following courses as part of the Associates of Applied Science (A.A.S.) in Automotive Technology at Frontier College:

- AUM 1200-1, *Automotive Topics*
- AUM 1235-3, *Fuel Systems*
- AUM 1236-5, *Electrical Fundamentals*
- AUM 1237-3, *Emission Systems*
- AUM 1238-5, *Engine Service*
- AUM 1239-4, *Air Conditioning & Heating*
- AUM 2220-5, *Ignition & Computer Systems*
- AUM 2222-3, *Engine Performance Diagnosis*
- AUM 2223-4, *Brake Systems*
- AUM 2224-2, *Power Accessories*
- AUM 2225-4, *Drive Trains*
- AUM 2228-5, *Auto Transmission & Transaxles*
- AUM 2230-3, *Automotive Service Internship*
- AUM 2290-4, *Steering & Suspension Systems*
- ENG 1111-3, *Composition I*
- GEN 2297-1, *Employment Skills*
- MTH 1102 or 1104-3, *College Algebra or Quantitative Reasoning*
- PHY 1110-4, *Survey of Physics*
- SPE 1101-3, *Fundamentals of Effective Speaking*
- SOCIAL SCIENCE-3

- C. Acceptance into the Capstone Option reduces the University Core Curriculum for the A.A.S. degree recipient in Automotive Technology at Illinois Eastern Community College (Frontier College) pursuing the B.S. in Automotive Technology (AUT) at SIU Carbondale to 30 semester hours. This, along with taking the courses listed above as part of the A.A.S. degree makes it possible for the student to complete the B.S. in Automotive Technology (AUT) at SIU Carbondale in approximately 60 additional semester hours beyond the A.A.S. degree.
- D. Illinois Eastern Community College (Frontier College) students transferring to the Automotive Technology (AUT) baccalaureate degree program at SIU Carbondale who have not completed all of his or her Associates of Applied Science degree requirements at Illinois Eastern Community College (Frontier College) will have their related coursework evaluated on a course-by-course basis by the appropriate SIU Carbondale department. These students will also not be eligible to receive the Capstone Option benefits and will be considered based upon the Department's enrollment criteria and space availability.
- E. Students will be required to complete a minimum of 42 senior institution hours at the 300-400 course level. Each student must complete the residence requirement by taking a total of 42 semester hours at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Those students enrolled in an approved program delivered by SIU Carbondale Extended Campus will have completed the residency requirement for the University upon completion of all courses required by the program. All students will be required to complete at least 120 hours with an overall GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale to receive a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Automotive Technology (AUT). Coursework may include University Core Curriculum as well as Automotive Technology (AUT) major courses.

### III. COURSE DELIVERY

- A. Delivery of courses and programs will be based on mutual agreement between the parties (as specified in the SIU Carbondale program) provided there is a minimum class enrollment in each course adequate to meet expenses. Courses with inadequate enrollment may be subject to cancellation, which said cancellation shall be at the sole and absolute discretion of SIU Carbondale.
- B. SIU Carbondale will perform registration and advisement counseling as needed to support the courses offered. SIU Carbondale will designate an individual(s) as a concurrent enrollment liaison to work in conjunction with Illinois Eastern

Community College (Frontier College) and students as needed. Advisement about program requirements will be provided by the academic college offering the courses/programs.

- C. SIU Carbondale will obtain all permission and approvals necessary to teach these courses in the State of Illinois.
- D. SIU Carbondale reserves the right to approve and edit all news releases, advertising and other public announcements and information pieces relating to the performance of this Agreement.
- E. This agreement permits students to enroll concurrently at SIU Carbondale and Illinois Eastern Community College (Frontier College) to complete the degree.

**IV. ILLINOIS EASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE (FRONTIER COLLEGE)  
DUTIES: ILLINOIS EASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE (FRONTIER  
COLLEGE) SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FOLLOWING OBLIGATIONS  
AND CONDITIONS:**

- A. Subject to federal and state guidelines, Illinois Eastern Community College (Frontier College) will be considered the home institution for the purpose of processing Financial Aid until such time that the student either graduates or severs ties with Illinois Eastern Community College (Frontier College).
- B. Designate in writing a person or persons as point of contact between Illinois Eastern Community College (Frontier College) and SIU Carbondale on all matters relating to the courses delivered.
- C. Reserve the right to approve and edit all news releases, advertising and other public announcements and information pieces relating to the performance of this Agreement.
- D. Permit students to enroll concurrently at SIU Carbondale and Illinois Eastern Community College (Frontier College) to complete a degree.

**V. PROGRAM ARTICULATION COMMUNICATION**

- A. An SIU Carbondale College of Health and Human Sciences, Automotive Technology (AUT) representative will communicate periodically with Illinois

Eastern Community College (Frontier College) personnel in Automotive Technology for general advisement and degree planning purposes.

- B. Upon successful completion of all degree requirements, and following all policies and regulations stated in the program and SIU Carbondale guidelines, Illinois Eastern Community College (Frontier College) students will be eligible to receive the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Automotive Technology (AUT), College of Health and Human Sciences, Southern Illinois University Carbondale.
- C. Should changes occur in course or program content, the institution making the change agrees to notify the other institution in writing so that this agreement can be re-evaluated. Notice of changes shall be given at least 45 days prior to the beginning of the semester when the change is implemented.
- D. The Parties acknowledge and agree that the terms of this Agreement may result in the disclosure of personally identifiable information from education records protected from disclosure and re-disclosure by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (“FERPA”). Accordingly, the Parties agree that all disclosures or redisclosures of such personally identifiable information shall be in accordance with FERPA. As used in this section, the terms “personally identifiable information” and “education records” shall have the meanings ascribed to them in 34 C.F.R. § 99.3.
- E. Indemnification:
  - 1. To the extent permitted by law and not inconsistent with the doctrine of sovereign immunity, SIU Carbondale shall indemnify and hold harmless Illinois Eastern Community College (Frontier College), its agents and employees, from any claims, demands, or causes of action arising out of the negligent acts or omissions of SIU Carbondale, its agents or employees, in the performance of SIU Carbondale’s obligations under this Agreement.
  - 2. To the extent permitted by law, Illinois Eastern Community College (Frontier College) shall indemnify and hold harmless SIU Carbondale, its agents and employees, from any claims, demands, or causes of action arising out of negligent acts or omissions of the College, its agents or employees, in the performance of the College’s obligations under this Agreement.
- F. Reasonable efforts will be made to resolve problems with student(s) through discussions with the student’s program instructor, advisor, and SIU Carbondale’s faculty members; however SIU Carbondale reserves the right to remove any

student from enrollment at SIU Carbondale upon SIU Carbondale's determination that the student is unable or unwilling to fulfill the requirements of SIU Carbondale's educational program and mission, including but not limited to the rules and regulations of Southern Illinois University Carbondale, the policies of the Board of Trustees of SIU Carbondale, and the SIU Carbondale Student Conduct Code. SIU Carbondale shall also have the right to withdraw any student from its education degree program in accordance with its academic requirements, including but not limited to unsatisfactory academic performance and/or social misconduct.

- G. Neither party will discriminate against any applicant or student in the nomination, selection, or training because of religion, race, sex, sexual orientation, creed, handicap, national origin, or age.
- H. Notices should be mailed to the following addresses by first class mail in order to fulfill any notice or revision of requirements under this Agreement:

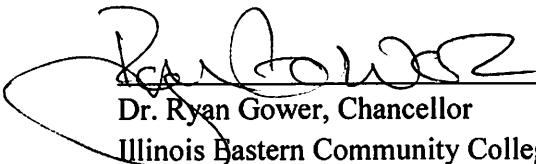
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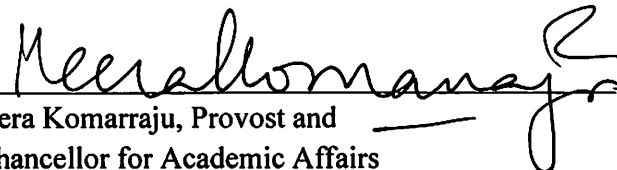
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement by their duly authorized, respective officers, and by doing so, hereby affirm that the Agreement is enforceable on behalf of and against each party as of the date written herein.

ILLINOIS EASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGES

  
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Dr. Ryan Gower, Chancellor  
Illinois Eastern Community Colleges  
Frontier Community College

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Date

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Southern Illinois University Carbondale

June 9, 2021  
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