

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY
AND
SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE

Articulation Agreement
Associate of Arts in Communication-Communications Studies (South Texas College)
Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies (UTRGV)

This AGREEMENT, effective the 12th of December, 2016, is between The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (“UTRGV”), a component institution of The University of Texas System, and South Texas College (“STC”), a College having its principal office in McAllen, Texas.

WHEREAS, UTRGV and STC desire to implement an Articulation to provide students enrolled at STC with an opportunity to smoothly transition to and further their educational opportunity at UTRGV.

WHEREAS, successful completion of an academic associate degree at STC is an indicator to UTRGV that the student has completed the appropriate courses, received the necessary instructions and preparation, and that similar knowledge, skills, and student learning outcomes can be expected, enabling the student’s progression to the upper division course sequence or requirement at UTRGV,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises herein, the parties agree to the following:

1.0 Term

This agreement shall be effective for two years from the date of its executive or upon revisions mandated by state requirements. The agreement may be renewed upon the mutual written approval of The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and South Texas College.

2.0 Courses of Study

UTRGV’s Department of Communication will accept the complete set of lower division courses from a student who receives an Associate of Arts-Communication-Communication Studies Degree from STC and is admitted to UTRGV.

- The total number of transfer hours will be capped at 60 (sixty) semester hours.
- All STC courses transferred to UTRGV shall be part of the *Lower Division Academic Course Guide Manual* issued by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.
- For the UTRGV Bachelor of Arts-Communication Studies Degree, the following STC Associate of Arts-Communication-Communication Studies Degree field of study electives will transfer as follows:

STC

SPCH 1311 Introduction to Speech Communication
SPCH 1315 Public Speaking
SPCH 1318 Interpersonal Communication
SPCH 1321 Business & Professional Communication
SPCH 2333 Discussion & Small Group Comm.
SPCH 2335 Argument and Debate
SPCH 2389 Academic Cooperative

UTRGV

COMM 1311 Introduction to Communication
COMM 1315 Public Speaking
COMM 1318 Interpersonal Communication
COMM 3313 Business and Technical Comm.
COMM 2333 Small Group Communication
COMM 2335 Argumentation and Debate
COMM Free Elective

- 2.1 In accordance with Sec 61.822 of the Texas Education Code, a student who successfully completes courses in the STC core curriculum will receive academic credit at UTRGV for each of the core courses transferred.

- 2.2 Transfer students must apply for admission and meet requirements to UTRGV and the Bachelor of Arts-Communication Studies Program. Transfer students are encouraged to complete their Associate of Arts-Communication-Communication Studies degree at STC prior to completion of their first semester of study at UTRGV. STC and UTRGV faculty will work with students to help promote the completion of the Associates degree in a timely fashion.
- 2.3 This Articulation Agreement will be published and provided as a transfer guide during academic advisement at both institutions.

3.0 Designated Liaison

Each institution designates the following officials to serve as its liaison to coordinate and facilitate activities under this Articulation Agreement and to address any concerns or disputes that may arise relating to the terms and conditions of this Articulation Agreement.

South Texas College:

Dr. Rosalinda Cantu
Chair, Communication Arts Department

The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley:

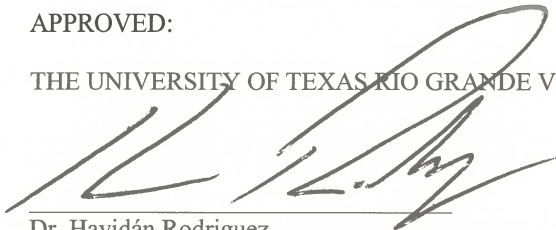
Dr. John Cook
Chair, Department of Communication

Executed by the undersigned representatives of the two institutions on December 12, 2016


APPROVED:

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY


SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE



Dr. Havidán Rodríguez
Provost/Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs



Dr. Anahid Petrosian
Vice President for Academic Affairs



Dr. Walter Díaz
Dean, College of Liberal Arts



Dr. Margaretha Bischoff
Dean, Division of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences

The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley/South Texas College
Suggested Four-Year Road Map for Transfer Students, Academic Year 2016-2017

This Road Map is a tool to assist you and your advisor in planning your academic program.
 Use it along with your department's official degree plan.

Degree: BA Major: Communication Studies				
First Year - Fall Semester - STC		Hours	First Year - Spring Semester - STC	
ENGL 1301 Composition		3	ENGL 1302 Composition II-Rhetoric	
SPCH 1311 Introduction to Speech Communication		3	SPCH 1318 Interpersonal Communication	
HIST 1301 United States History I		3	HIST 1302 United States History II	
Core Curriculum Lang., Philosophy & Culture Elective		3	Core Curriculum Social and Behavioral Sciences Elective	
			Core Curriculum Math Elective (Recommended 1442)	
Total Fall Semester Hours		12	Total Spring Semester Hours	
			15 or 16	
Summer I		Summer II		
Total Summer I Hours		0	Total Summer II Hours	
			0	
Second Year - Fall Semester - STC		Hours	Second Year - Spring Semester - STC	
GOVT 2305 Federal Government		3	GOVT 2306 Texas Government	
SPCH 1315 Public Speaking		3	SPCH 1321 Business and Professional Comm.	
SPCH 2333 Discussion and Small Group Comm.		3	SPCH 2335 Argumentation and Debate	
Core Curriculum Life and Physical Sciences Elective		4	SPCH 2389 Academic Cooperative	
Core Curriculum Creative Arts Elective (Recommend ARTS 2348, ARTS 2356, DRAM 2366)		3	Core Curriculum Life and Physical Sciences Elective	
			Core Curriculum Component Area Option (if required)	
Total Fall Semester Hours		16	Total Spring Semester Hours	
			16 or 17	
Summer I		Summer II		
Total Summer I Hours		0	Total Summer II Hours	
			0	
Third Year - Fall Semester - UTRGV		Hours	Third Year - Spring Semester - UTRGV	
COMM 3333 Theories of Communication		3	COMM 3350 Research in Communication	
COMM 3316 Intercultural Communication		3	COMM 4315 Persuasive Communication	
COMM 3331 Interviewing: Theory and Practice		3	Minor Elective	
Minor Elective		3	Minor Elective	
Minor Elective		3	Minor Elective (must be 3000-4999 level)	
Total Fall Semester Hours		15	Total Spring Semester Hours	
			15	
Summer I		Summer II		
Total Summer I Hours		0	Total Summer II Hours	
			0	
Fourth Year Fall Semester - UTRGV		Hours	Fourth Year Spring Semester - UTRGV	
Minor Elective (must be 3000-4999 level)		3	COMM Elective (must be 3000-4000 level)	
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COMM Elective (must be 3000-4000 level)		3	COMM Elective (must be 3000-4000 level)	
			Free Elective (must be 3000-4000 level Recommended COMM 4337/4624 and/or COMM 4303)	
Total Fall Semester Hours		15	Total Spring Semester Hours	
			15	

This degree requires a Minor, 120 total degree hours, and 42 advanced hours (3000-4999 level).

* Demonstration of second language proficiency is a requirement of all bachelor's degree at UTRGV

Total Degree Hours	
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