



## THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY AND SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE

Articulation Agreement
Associate of Arts in Social Work (STC)
Bachelor of Social Work (UTRGV)

This AGREEMENT, effective the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December 2019, 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, students declaring Social Work as their major at STC and successfully completing the courses outlined below 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 execution, upon revisions mandated by state requirements, or until a new agreement is created. 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 School of Social Work will accept the complete set of lower division courses from a student who successfully completes courses outlined below from STC and is admitted to UTRGV.

- 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 Social Work, the following STC Associate of Arts in Social Work field of study electives will satisfy degree requirements as follows:

STC		<u>UTRGV</u>	
SOCW 2361	Introduction to Social Work	SOCW 2361	Introduction to the Social Work Profession
SOCW 2362	Social Welfare as a Social Institution	SOCW 2362	The Social Welfare Institution
SOCI 1301	Introduction to Sociology	SOCI 1301	Introduction to Sociology
PSYC 2301	General Psychology	PSYC 2301	General Psychology
SOCI 1306	Social Problems	SOCI 1323	Social problems (free elective)
PSYC 2317	Statistical Methods in Psychology	PSYC 2302	Basic Statistics for Psychologists

• For the STC Associate of Arts in Social Work, students are required to take the following course (3 hours) as their Social and Behavioral Sciences elective of the Core Curriculum. This course is part of the Lower Division Academic Course Guide Manual and Texas Academic Course Guide Manual issued by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. This STC courses will transfer to the UTRGV Bachelor of Social Work as below:

- 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. However, there are circumstances where additional classes are required by the major even when core is complete. If the entire STC core curriculum is completed, the STC core curriculum will substitute for the UTRGV core curriculum pursuant to Sec. 61.822(c) of the Texas Education Code. If the STC core curriculum is not completed, a student will receive credit for those core courses taken but may be required to take additional courses to satisfy the UTRGV core curriculum pursuant to Sec. 61.822(d) of the Texas Education Code.
- 2.2 Transfer students must apply for admission and meet requirements to UTRGV and the Bachelor of Social Work. Transfer students are encouraged to complete their Associate of Arts in Social Work 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 STC.

## 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. Rolando Longoria Department Chair

Department of Anthropology, Sociology and Social Work

The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley:

Dr. Sudershan Pasupuleti Department Chair Department of Social Work

Executed by the undersigned representatives of the two institutions on December 13, 2019.

APPROVED:

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY

Or John H. Krouse

Executive Vice President for Health Affairs

Dr. Joh Gonzalez

Interim Dean, School of Social Work

SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE

Dr. Anahid Petrosian

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Dr. Margaretha Bischoff

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