



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

Articulation Agreement
Associate of Arts in Teaching (STC)
Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies in Bilingual Education, ESL, or Special Education (UTRGV)

This AGREEMENT, effective 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 Teaching 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 College of Education and P-16 Integration 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 Interdisciplinary Studies in Bilingual Education, ESL, or Special Education, the following STC Associate of Arts in Teaching field of study electives will satisfy degree requirements as follows:

STC		<u>UTRGV</u>	
BIOL 1408	Biology for Non-Science Majors I	BIOL 1406	General Biology I
EDUC 1301	Introduction to the Teaching Profession	EDUC 1301	Introduction to Teaching
EDUC 2301	Introduction to Special Populations	EDFR 2301	Intercultural Context of Schooling
MUSI 1306	Music Appreciation	MUSI 1313	Teaching Music in Elementary School
GEOL 1403	Physical Geology	GEOL 1403	Physical Geology
MATH 1350	Mathematics for Teachers I	MATH 1350	Fundamentals of Mathematics I
MATH 1351	Mathematics for Teachers II	MATH 1351	Fundamentals of Mathematics II

- 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.
- Transfer students must apply for admission and meet requirements to both UTRGV and the Teacher Education Program. Transfer students are encouraged to complete their **Associate of Arts in Teaching** 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 STC will align EDUC 1301 and EDUC 2301 to TEXES Professional Pedagogy and Responsibilities (PPR) standards set forth by UTRGV's EDUC 1301 and EDFR 2301.
- 2.4 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. Rene R. Zuniga Education

Department Chair

The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley: Dr. Criselda Garcia Associate Dean for Initial Preparation Programs and Academic Affairs

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

APPROVED:

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY

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