

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY
AND
SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE

Articulation Agreement
Bachelor of Science
Focus: Biology with Minor

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 Biology will accept the complete set of lower division courses from a student who receives an Associate of Science: Field of Study Biology 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 Science Focus: Biology with Minor, the following STC Associate of Science: Field of Study Biology electives will transfer as follows:

STC

BIOL 2416 Genetics

*satisfies Genetics requirement, though additional upper-division Biology hours may be required

BIOL 2421 Microbiology for Science Majors

*satisfies Microbiology requirement, though additional upper-division Biology hours may be required

UTRGV

BIOL 2000 Transfer 2000

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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 Science Focus: Biology with Minor. Transfer students are encouraged to complete their Associate of Science: Field of Study Biology 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.

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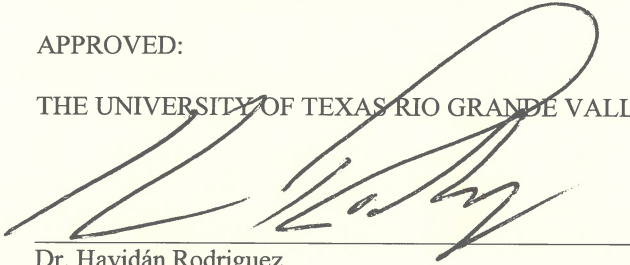
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Executed by the undersigned representatives of the two institutions on December 12, 2016.

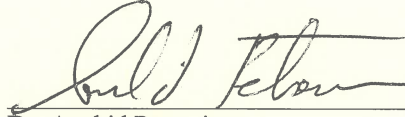
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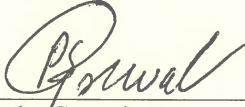


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The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley/South Texas College
Suggested Four-Year Road Map for Transfer Students, Academic Year 2016-2017

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: BS Major: Biology Focus: Biological Sciences					
First Year - Fall Semester - STC		Hours	First Year - Spring Semester - STC		Hours
ENGL 1301 Rhetoric and Composition I		3	ENGL 1302 Rhetoric and Composition II		3
HIST 1301 U.S. History I		3	HIST 1302 U.S. History II		3
BIOL 1406 General Biology FS **		4	BIOL 1407 General Biology FS **		4
MATH 1414 College Algebra		4	Core curriculum creative arts course		3
			CHEM 1411 General Chemistry I *		4
Total Fall Semester Hours		14	Total Spring Semester Hours		17
Second Year - Fall Semester - STC		Hours	Second Year - Spring Semester - STC		Hours
GOVT 2305 Federal Government		3	GOVT 2306 Texas Government		3
BIOL 2401 Anatomy & Physiology I FS ****		4	BIOL 2421 Microbiology FS ***		4
CHEM 1412 General Chemistry II *		4	CHEM 2423 Org Chem I (2hrs Core Comp/2 hrs FS)		4
Core curriculum STC component area option		1	Core curriculum language, philosophy, and culture		3
Core curriculum social & behavioural science*		3	(*PHIL 1301 Introduction to Philosophy required for pre-med majors)		
(*SOCI 1301 Introduction to Sociology required for pre-med majors)					
Total Fall Semester Hours		15	Total Spring Semester Hours		14
Third Year - Fall Semester - UTRGV		Hours	Third Year - Spring Semester - UTRGV		Hours
PHYS 1401 General Physics I **		4	PHYS 1402 General Physics II **		4
CHEM 2325/2125 Organic Chem II/Lab **		4	CHEM 3303 Biochemistry **		3
BIOL 3413 Genetics **		4	Free Elective		4
MATH 1342 (or 1343) Elementary Statistical Method		3	Major Elective (Group III)		4
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		Hours
Free Advanced Elective		4	BIOL 4400 Biological Communication **		4
Major Advanced Elective		4	Free Advanced Elective		3
Major Advanced Elective (Group II)		4	Major Advanced Elective		4
BIOL 3409 Ecology **		3	BIOL 3301 Biological Evolution **		4
Total Fall Semester Hours		15	Total Spring Semester Hours		15

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

Total Degree Hours	####
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Updated 6/10/2016

* Focus: Biological Sciences General Education Core requirement for UTRGV

***Meets Group I UTRGV Biology Elective

**Biology Core Requirement for UTRGV

****Meets Group 4 UTRGV Biology Elective

* Demonstration of second language proficiency is a requirement of all degrees at UTRGV