

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE ARTICULATION AGREEMENT  
BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
and  
LUZERNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**Preface**

Luzerne County Community College (“Luzerne”) and Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (“BU”) enter into this Articulation Agreement in Criminal Justice to facilitate the transfer of Luzerne criminal justice students to BU. BU and Luzerne through their respective Departments of Criminal Justice, agree to establish this program-to-program articulation agreement whereby students who complete the requirements for an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Criminal Justice at Luzerne and meet the admission requirements as stated in this agreement may enter the fifth semester of the Bachelor Degree program in Criminal Justice at BU. The purposes of this agreement are:

1. To enable qualified graduates of Luzerne to build upon their education and training by earning a baccalaureate degree.
2. To enable BU to attract a more diverse population of students to the Criminal Justice program.
3. To enable community college graduates to obtain a quality education at a low cost, and, in doing so, provide the Commonwealth with qualified criminal justice practitioners.
4. To ensure recognition of the continuity of academic progress and transferability of credits between two year and four-year programs.

**Obligations of Luzerne County Community College Students**

1. Complete the coursework specified on the Articulation Agreement Worksheet (Appendix A).
2. Students must complete an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Criminal Justice at Luzerne with a minimum grade point average of a GPA of 2.0. *Please note that it is highly recommended that due to the high demand for BU’s Criminal Justice degree among applicants that students earn the highest grade point average possible during their associate degree studies at Luzerne. A minimum grade point average although required may not be sufficient to guarantee admission into BU’s Criminal Justice Program based on applicant pool and available spaces in the program in any given semester.*
3. Luzerne graduates entering BU under the terms of this agreement enter through BU’s transfer process and therefore must meet all applicable BU requirements and deadlines pertaining to application for admission, orientation, registration, and payment of tuition and fees. They will abide by the policies and procedures, and any revisions thereof, which apply to all BU students.
4. Apply for admission by June 1<sup>st</sup> for the fall semester, and by November 1<sup>st</sup> for the spring semester, and satisfy all other regular BU admission requirements.
5. At the time of application, provide high school transcripts and transcripts of all college courses taken up to and including the previous semester.
6. Upon receiving the Associate Degree from Luzerne and prior to registering at BU, students **MUST** provide their **FINAL** Luzerne transcript indicating degree award to BU.

7. Students must earn at least 30 of their last 45 semester hours credited toward a bachelor degree at BU. And at least 50% of the credits in the major discipline must be earned at BU.

#### **Obligations of Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania**

1. Waive the admissions application fee.
2. Ensure that Luzerne Criminal Justice students matriculate under this agreement at BU they will have the same rights and privileges of other BU students.
3. To attend regularly scheduled recruitment programs at Luzerne.
4. To invite Luzerne Criminal Justice major students to information/ advising meetings with BU faculty and/or staff on a regular basis in order to facilitate smooth curricular and co-curricular integration to BU.
5. To provide Luzerne with copies of all promotional literature published about the dual admission agreement.

#### **Obligations of Luzerne County Community College**

1. To publicize this agreement to prospective and current Luzerne students in its promotional literature, and to make special arrangements for BU recruiters and advisors to visit Luzerne to meet with prospective students.
2. To provide BU with copies of all promotional literature published about this agreement.

#### **Joint Obligations**

1. The parties agree that this agreement becomes effective the date of the final signature on the documents, and will remain in effect for a maximum period of five (5) years.
2. To consult with each other through appropriate channels prior to implementing major changes in policy or curricula that directly affect students transferring under the terms of this agreement and to keep each other informed of any other changes of policy or curricula that affect those students. Both BU and Luzerne will review this agreement annually and make any changes upon mutual agreement, as needed. Such changes will become effective when both Luzerne and BU sign the revised document.
3. To collaborate in providing students with academic advising and information about this agreement, BU academic requirements, and the process of transferring to BU according to and in alignment with this agreement.
4. To develop and implement advertising and promotional efforts to communicate the benefits of this agreement.
5. To exchange data and documents annually that will contribute to the maintenance and improvement of this arrangement in order to enhance the transfer process and promote effective cooperation between the two institutions.
6. To facilitate and support consultation and collaboration between their faculties related to this agreement, general education, degree requirements, and other academic matters.
7. To designate a representative or representatives from each institution who will coordinate this agreement between the two institutions.

#### **Revisions, Renewal and Termination of this Agreement**

BU and Luzerne are responsible for identifying, and communicating to each other changes in the policies or requirements of their respective institutions that affect this agreement. The

willingness of both institutions to enter this agreement in order to facilitate the transfer of students from Luzerne County Community College into Bloomsburg University, and to expand their opportunities for academic success there, is indicated by the following signatures.

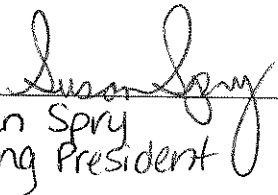
- a. This Agreement represents the entire understanding between the Parties regarding the subject matter herein and supersedes any prior written agreement, oral understanding or any other representation or statement between the parties regarding this subject matter and can be modified only in writing with the same formality as the original Agreement.
- b. No modifications, alternations, changes, or waiver to this agreement shall be valid unless accomplished by a written amendment signed by both parties.
- c. This Agreement will be reviewed annually by the appropriate parties at each institution, and will be renewed automatically for a maximum total term of five (5) years or until the agreement is formally terminated. Not later than sixty (60) days prior to the end of the five (5) year period, each Party shall review and together make any changes to an updated Agreement to be considered for execution and implementation.
- d. Either Party may terminate this Agreement at any time by written notice at least one (1) year in advance of the effective date of termination. Should this Agreement be terminated, it is understood that the termination will not apply to students already accepted to the Institution under the terms of this Agreement, but not yet enrolled in classes.
- e. The Parties understand that they shall act in an independent capacity in the performance of this Agreement, and shall not be considered as employees, agents, affiliates, or subsidiaries of each other. Neither Party shall have the right to bind or obligate the other in any manner inconsistent with or unrelated to this Agreement.
- f. This Agreement is governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- g. Neither Party shall assume any liabilities as a result of this Agreement. As to liability to each other or death to persons, or damages to property, the Parties do not waive any defense as a result of entering into this Agreement. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of any immunities afforded Luzerne or BU by law or otherwise.
- h. Luzerne County Community College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs or activities. For a complete copy of the LCCC non-discrimination policy, go to <http://portal.luzerne.edu/forms/dc.pdf>. Inquiries may be directed to the Title IX Coordinator, John Sedlak, Dean of Human Resources, LCCC, 1333 South Prospect Street, Nanticoke, Pennsylvania, 18634, 800-377-5222 extension 7234. Inquiries related to accessibility services for students may be directed to the Section 504 Coordinator, Rosana Reyes, Dean of Student Development and Enrollment Management, LCCC, 1333 South Prospect Street, Nanticoke, Pennsylvania, 18634, 800-377-5222 extension 7423.
- i. BU agrees that they are an Equal Opportunity Employer.
- j. Any notices to be given hereunder by any Party to the other may be affected with by personal delivery in writing or by mail, registered or certified, postage prepaid with return receipt requested. Mailed notices shall be addressed to the Parties at the addresses set forth hereinafter, but each Party may change their address by written notice in accordance with this paragraph. Notices delivered personally shall be deemed communicated as of actual receipt; mailed notices shall be deemed communicated as of five (5) days after mailing.

- a. If to BU: Bloomsburg University  
400 East Second Street, AL-124  
Bloomsburg, PA 1781  
Attention: Thomas Fletcher, Associate Vice President and Dean of Extended Programs
- b. If to Luzerne: Luzerne County Community College  
1333 South Prospect Street  
Nanticoke PA 18634  
Attention: Rosana Reyes, Dean of Enrollment Management and Student Development

Copy to: Luzerne County Community College  
Financial Analyst  
1333 South Prospect Street  
Nanticoke PA 18634


The undersigned representatives of the parties, Luzerne County Community College and Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania have executed this agreement on the dates indicated:

**For Luzerne County Community College:**

  
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Susan Spry  
Acting President


7/31/15  
Date

**For Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania:**

  
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David Soltz  
President

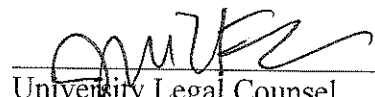
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Date

**Approved as to Form and Legality:**

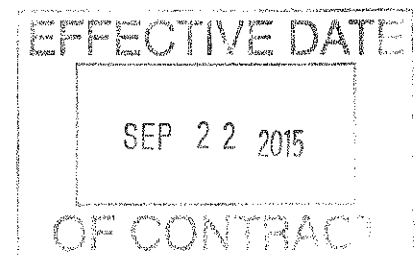
  
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Solicitor  
Luzerne County Community College

7/30/15  
Date

**Approved as to Form and Legality:**

  
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University Legal Counsel  
Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education

9/22/15  
Date



**APPENDIX A**  
**ARTICULATION AGREEMENT WORKSHEET**

In order to be eligible for transfer according to this agreement, Luzerne County Community College students must following one of the following curriculums of study, while earning their Associate of Applied Science Degree in Criminal Justice at Luzerne.

Taking Proper Advantage of Electives/Selectives at LCCC					
LCCC Curriculum			Bloomsburg Equivalent		
CJU 130	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	CRIMJUST 101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CJU 132	Criminal Investigation	3	CRIMJUST 340	Criminal Investigation	3
CJU 139	Survey of Drugs	3	NURSING 230	Drug Use and Abuse	3
CJU 140	Criminal Law	3	CRIMJUST 199	Criminal Justice Elective	3
CJU 141	Delinquency and Juvenile Justice	3	CRIMJUST 300	Juvenile Delinquency	3
CJU 242	Police Community Relations	3	CRIMJUST 199	Criminal Justice Elective	3
<b>CJU 245</b>	<b>Crime and Criminology<sup>1</sup></b>	3	CRIMJUST 200	Criminology	3
CJU	Elective	3		Elective	3
CJU	Elective	3		Elective	3
CJU	Elective	3		Elective	3
	Computer Elective	3		Elective	3
ENG 101	English Composition	3	ENGLISH 101	Fundamentals of College Writing	3
<b>SPE 125</b>	<b>Fundamentals of Speech<sup>3</sup></b>	3	COMSTUD 103	Public Speaking	3
FYE 101	First Year Experience	1	INTSTUDY 101	University Seminar	1
	Health and PE elective	1		Health and PE elective	1
HIS 202	American History Since 1865	3	HISTORY 121	US History: 1877 to present	3
<b>PHI 150</b>	<b>Introduction to Philosophy<sup>4</sup></b>	3	PHIL 111	Introduction to Philosophy	3
	<b>Mathematics Elective<sup>5</sup></b>	3		Mathematics Elective	3
POS 101	American Government	3	POLYSCI 120	US Government	3
<b>SOC 110</b>	<b>Issues in American Diversity<sup>6</sup></b>	3	SOC 215	Racial and Ethnic Minorities	3
PSY 103	General Psychology	3	PSYCH 101	General Psychology	3
	<b>Science Elective<sup>7</sup></b>	3		Science Elective	3
SOC 215	Principles of Sociology	3	SOC 211	Principles of Sociology	3
	<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>65</b>		<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>65</b>
				<b>Total GEPs</b>	<b>37</b>
				<b>Bloomsburg University Requirements</b>	
1	CJU elective				
2	Computer elective		CRIMJUST 255	Criminal Justice Research	3
3	SPE 125/EN102 selective		CRIMJUST 260	Criminal Justice Statistics	3
4	Humanities or history selective		CRIMJUST 495	Criminal Justice Internship	3
5	Mathematics selective		CRIMJUST	Criminal Justice Elective	3
6	Psychology/sociology selective		CRIMJUST	Criminal Justice Elective	3
7	Science selective		CRIMJUST	Criminal Justice Elective	3
				Natural Science Elective	3
				Arts	6
				Language	3
				Health	1
				Electives	24
				<b>Total Credits at BloomU</b>	<b>55</b>

LCCC Curriculum without Prior Advisement					
LCCC Curriculum			Bloomsburg Equivalent		
CJU 130	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3	CRIMJUST 101	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CJU 132	Criminal Investigation	3	CRIMJUST 340	Criminal Investigation	3
CJU 139	Survey of Drugs	3	NURSING 230	Drug Use and Abuse	3
CJU 140	Criminal Law	3	CRIMJUST 199	Criminal Justice Elective	3
CJU 141	Delinquency and Juvenile Justice	3	CRIMJUST 300	Juvenile Delinquency	3
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CJU	Elective	3	CRIMJUST	Criminal Justice Elective	3
CJU	Elective	3		Elective	3
CJU	Elective	3		Elective	3
CJU	Elective	3		Elective	3
	Computer elective	3		Elective	3
ENG 101	English Composition	3	ENGLISH 101	Fundamentals of College Writing	3
ENG 102	Advanced Composition	3	ENGLISH 201	Advanced Composition	3
FYE 101	First Year Experience	1	INTSTUDY 101	University Seminar	1
	Health and PE Elective	1		Health and PE Elective	1
HIS 202	American History Since 1865	3	HISTORY 121	US History: 1877 to present	3
	Humanities or history elective	3		Elective	3
	Mathematics elective	3		Elective	3
POS 101	American Government	3	POLYSCI 120	US Government	3
	SOC OR PSY elective	3		Elective	3
PSY 103	General Psychology	3	PSYCH 101	General Psychology	3
	Science Elective	3		Science Elective	3
SOC 215	Principles of Sociology	3	SOC 211	Principles of Sociology	3
	<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>65</b>		<b>Total Credits at LCCC</b>	<b>65</b>
				<b>Total GEPs</b>	<b>19</b>
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			CRIMJUST 255	Criminal Justice Research	3
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				Natural Science Elective	6
				Mathematics Elective	3
				Arts Electives	9
				Diversity Elective	3
				Language	3
				Health	1
				Electives	12
				<b>Total Credits at BloomU</b>	<b>55</b>