

**ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN OZARKS TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE
AND MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY**

**Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Education to
Bachelor of Science in Child and Family Development**

OVERVIEW:

This formal program articulation agreement is made and entered into by Missouri State University, hereinafter referred to as MSU, and Ozarks Technical Community College, hereinafter referred to as OTC. By this agreement OTC and MSU express a shared commitment to increasing opportunities for student access to and success in higher education. By clarifying transfer policies and procedures, which assure articulation between programs, the institutions seek to assist students in making a seamless transfer from the associate to the baccalaureate degree.

PURPOSE:

This agreement provides students who have earned an AAS in Early Childhood Education at OTC the opportunity to complete a BS in Child and Family Development at MSU. Any OTC student who has earned an AAS in Early Childhood Education and adheres to the guidelines within this agreement is guaranteed that MSU will accept designated freshman and sophomore education credits and all general education credits and will apply such to the BS in a manner consistent with the treatment of native MSU students.

CONDITIONS OF TRANSFER:

Section I: Admissions and Matriculation

OTC students maintaining continuous enrollment under this agreement will be afforded the same treatment and protection as native MSU students enrolled under a specific catalog.

Criteria for acceptance into MSU will be the same for transfer as for native students.

Transfer students from OTC will have access to financial aid, scholarships, and student services on the same basis as native students.

Minimum grade point average of a 2.0 on all transferrable course must be maintained to qualify for transfer under this articulation agreement.

MSU will apply the same academic progress and graduation standards to OTC transfer students as those applicable to native students at MSU.

MSU will maintain transfer degree plans for this program to show equivalent courses.

Section II: Transfer of Credit

OTC, upon request of students, will provide verification of completed courses to MSU through the OTC's Office of the Registrar. The transcript of students transferring from OTC will be evaluated by the Office of Admissions at MSU.

A maximum of 85 credit hours will be accepted by MSU from OTC to be applied to the BS in Child and Family Development.

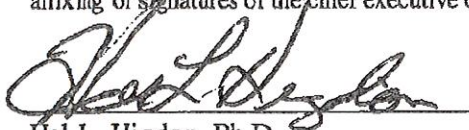
Transfer students from OTC, upon acceptance into the appropriate program at MSU, will have junior standing at MSU.

TERMS of AGREEMENT:

This agreement is made and entered into in the academic year 2016-2017 and remains in force unless changed in writing by mutual agreement to both parties. The agreement may be amended at any time with the approval of both parties and is subject to review every three (3) years to assure currency with the respective degree requirements. Should either party desire to discontinue this agreement, advance notification of 1 year will be required.

SIGNATURES:

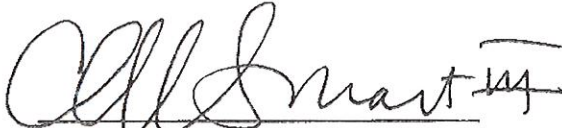
Ozarks Technical Community College and Missouri State University hereby enter into this program articulation agreement leading from the AAS in Early Childhood Education to the BS in Child and Family Development by the affixing of signatures of the chief executive officers of both institutions.



Hal L. Higdon, Ph.D.
Chancellor
Ozarks Technical Community College

5-11-16

Date



Clifton M. Smart III
President
Missouri State University

5-24-16

Date