

Universal Articulation Agreement MOU

Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) between the Arizona Board of Regents (ABOR) for and on behalf of Arizona State University (“ASU”) and Iowa Western Community College (hereafter “Collaborating CC”). The purpose of this MOU is to document the parties’ agreement regarding their collaboration in facilitating a pathway for Collaborating CC’s students’ transfer to ASU. The benefits of this MOU for Collaborating CC’s students include:

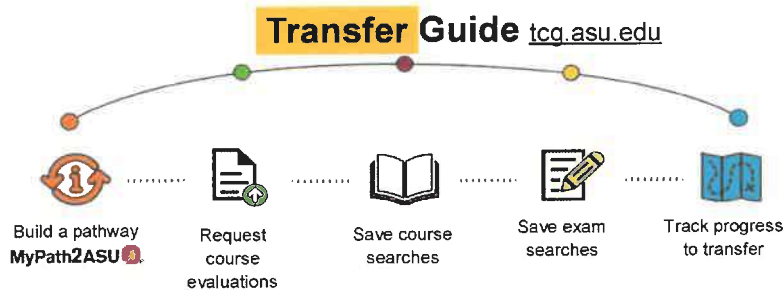
- ✓ Guaranteed general admission to ASU and admission into major of choice if all requirements are satisfied* **Some majors have additional or higher admission requirements.**^{1 2}
- ✓ Recommended transfer pathways to 400+ undergraduate majors
- ✓ MyPath2ASU™ assists in selecting classes to minimize loss of credit
- ✓ Direct access to transfer tools
- ✓ Access to ASU’s transfer specialists

Universal Articulation Description

ASU is a comprehensive **public research university**, measured not by whom it excludes, but by **whom it includes** and how they **succeed**; advancing **research and discovery** of public value; and assuming **fundamental responsibility** for the economic, social, cultural and overall health of the **communities** it serves.

Universal Articulation at Arizona State University gives students attending partnering community colleges access to ASU’s transfer tools, in order to help create a seamless transition to ASU and enable students to successfully complete their bachelor’s degree.

The Universal Articulation tools assist in determining how a student’s previously earned college credits will transfer into ASU majors. Students, along with the staff who support them, will have access to the Transfer Guide, ASU’s transfer planning tool. This guide allows students to build MyPath2ASU™ which maps a transfer pathway to their desired ASU major from any domestic institution. By signing an agreement, students will track their progress and earn guaranteed admission to ASU and into a pathway major if all requirements are satisfied.^{1 2} Some majors have additional requirements.



¹ General university admission is guaranteed upon successful completion of the following conditions: 1) Completion of an associate degree from a regionally accredited higher education institution with a minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA (Arizona residents) or 2.50 cumulative GPA (nonresidents) or 2) completion of 24 or more transferable semester credits posthigh school with a minimum cumulative transfer GPA of 2.50 (4.00=“A”) and verification of high school graduation or the equivalent. *NOTE: Some ASU colleges and schools have additional or higher requirements for admission into their majors.*

² Students will also need to submit an Arizona State University admission application, including an application fee and other required documents, such as official college/university transcripts.

MyPath2ASU™ pathway programs include a minimum of 24 credit hours, students with fewer than 24 credit transfer credit hours will need to meet the appropriate [admission](#) requirements.



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Universal Articulation Principles

The following guiding principles, which are based upon research and best practices, will guide the parties in their implementation of this MOU.

- Academic preparation is the single most important determinant of student success.
- Transfer students are encouraged to earn an associate's prior to transfer.
- The Collaborating CC will work to ensure students are prepared to meet ASU admission requirements and complete appropriate lower division coursework based on the transfer pathway for the ASU major to which they intend to transfer.
- ASU will provide recommended pathways based on ASU major requirements and ASU determined course equivalencies.
- Recommended courses minimize loss of credit while preparing students for their desired major.
- ASU will provide the Collaborating CC aggregate enrollment data.
- Marketing and Communication: ASU and Collaborating CC agree to identify their collaborative relationship on applicable websites subject to the terms of this MOU. Each party reserves the right to review in advance any marketing information or press releases that will be disseminated to students or the public about this collaborative relationship. Neither party will use any names, service marks, trademarks, trade names, logos or other identifying names, domain names or identifying marks of the other party ("Marks") for any reason, including online, advertising, promotional purposes, or any form of publicity, without the prior written permission of the party that owns the Marks in each instance. Use of any party's Marks must comply with the owning party's requirements, including using the ® indication of a registered trademark where applicable.
- Resolution of Issues: Faculty and staff of ASU and Collaborating CC will communicate with the respective key contacts set forth below regarding all matters pertinent to this collaborative relationship.
- This MOU does not create a partnership, joint venture or agency relationship between the parties of any kind or nature. This MOU does not create any fiduciary or other obligation between the parties, except for those obligations expressly and specifically set forth herein.
- Neither party shall have any right, power, or authority under this MOU to act as a legal representative of the other party, and neither party shall have any power or authority to obligate or bind the other or to make any representations, express or implied, on behalf of or in the name of the other in any manner or for any purpose whatsoever.
- This MOU is subject to applicable law and all policies of the Arizona Board of Regents, as the same may be amended from time to time.
- Each party acknowledges that the relationship of the parties hereunder is non-exclusive.
- Either party may terminate this MOU upon 90 days advance written notice to the other party.

75 Credit hour degree options for Universal Partners

- The following degrees and associated sub plans accept up to 75 credit hours of community college coursework upon successful completion of an Associate Degree from partnering community colleges: **Interdisciplinary Studies, BA, Liberal Studies, BA and Organizational Leadership, BA.**
- RN to BSN Options: students admitted to the BSN program online can pursue **RN to BSN or Concurrent Enrollment Program**. Up to 75 transfer credits from a regionally accredited associate degree nursing program may be accepted and applied to the online BSN program.³

³ Board of nursing requirements in the following states would restrict students from enrolling in ASU's online BSN Nursing program: Rhode Island, Tennessee, and Washington.

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Opportunities for future collaboration Maroon and Gold Partnership levels include:

- Transfer pathways based on ASU major requirements and approved by the partner institution.
- Student progress towards major requirements are tracked automatically via ASU tools.
- Shared data agreement including sign-up, enrollment, and two –way electronic transfer of transcript data (reverse transfer).

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Signatures

To be agreed upon by college Chancellor, President or appointed designee.

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By: 

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Title: President

Date: 3/31/23

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Nancy Gonzales

Executive Vice President and University Provost

Date: 04/05/2023

By: 

Name: Dr. Jenny Kruger

Title: Vice President of Academic Affairs

Date: 3/31/23



Universal Articulation Partnership Levels



Student Benefits

	Universal Partner	Maroon Partner (engaged)	Gold Partner (highly engaged)
Guaranteed general admission to ASU and admission into major of choice if all requirements are satisfied* Some majors have additional or higher admission requirements			
Eligible to sign up for MyPath2ASU			
Access to all ASU transfer tools			
MyPath2ASU™ recommendations displays courses based on	Existing course evaluations that meet preferred ASU major requirements		
	Validated courses from partner institution Associate degrees that also meet ASU major requirements**		
Tracking progress towards transfer	Student can self report progress		
	Student progress tracked automatically		
Eligible to transfer up to 75 credit hours into select ASU majors with completion of an Associate degree from partner institution.			

Partner Benefits

	Universal Partner	Maroon Partner (engaged)	Gold Partner (highly engaged)
MyPath2ASU™ recommendations displays courses based on partner institution Associate degrees that also meet ASU major requirements**			
Students eligible for select ASU majors that allow for up to 75 credit hours of two year coursework with completion of an Associate degree			
Data sharing	ASU to share sign up and enrollment data		
	Two way electronic transfer of transcript data (reverse transfer through ASU Trusted Learner Network)**		

A signed Universal Articulation MOU is required for all participating community college partners.

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**Functionality based on new technology and/or block chain technology not yet in production.