

## Statewide Articulation Partnership between Washtenaw Community College and Michigan Department of Education

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Washtenaw Community College is pleased to provide statewide secondary articulated credit agreements to benefit Michigan high school students in partnership with the Michigan Department of Education, Michigan Office of Career and Technical Education, Michigan High Schools and Michigan Career and Technical Education Centers.

## **Purpose of this Partnership**

Secondary articulation agreements are formal agreements between secondary and postsecondary institutions that are designed to assist students in continuing their education after high school. Articulation agreements provide a systematic transition process from secondary to postsecondary education that minimizes content duplication. By streamlining the articulation agreements into a statewide format, Washtenaw Community College is able to strengthen its collaboration with career and technical education centers and high schools while maintaining consistency when awarding articulated credit to students.

This partnership recognizes the quality of content and rigor in the Michigan Career and Technical Education programs. Where there is an alignment of secondary CTE programs to Washtenaw Community College programs, all Michigan state approved CTE programs will be covered under this agreement. Additionally, these statewide agreements may help high school students to reduce their time to a college degree and student debt for college.

These statewide articulation agreements are formal contracts between the Michigan Department of Education and Washtenaw Community College. Agreements were developed based on the secondary state-approved programs that met all of the required technical skills and standards. A list of State-approved programs along with the technical, pathway, foundation and career and employability standards can be found at <a href="http://ctenavigator.org">http://ctenavigator.org</a>

## About the Articulation Creation Process

Members of the Washtenaw Community College faculty have reviewed the Michigan Career Technical Education program standards and have determined which WCC courses are compatible with the secondary program, so students may apply for articulated credit as well as the criteria that a student must meet to be granted articulated credit.

As all state-approved programs offered at Michigan's career technical centers and high schools adhere to the same state-wide curriculum and standards, offering statewide agreements allows for greater consistency and academic integrity when granting articulated credit to students.

Washtenaw Community College will award articulated credit to students for the Michigan state-approved secondary programs, provided the students meet the requirements set forth in the Washtenaw Community College statewide articulation agreements.

General Conditions & Requirements:	
1.	Student must apply for Articulated Credit at WCC within two years of high school graduation.
2.	Student must complete course competencies with a "B" or better final grade.
3.	Student must submit a recommendation from the high school for each course being articulated.
4.	Student must contact the Student Connection at Washtenaw Community College after being admitted to the college in order to begin the articulation process.
5.	Student must complete one WCC course before credit will be posted to their official transcript. Course overrides may be given by Academic Advising for enrollment in subsequent courses.

This agreement may be terminated at any time by either the Michigan Department of Education - Office of Career and Technical Education or Washtenaw Community College through providing ninety (90) days' notice. In the event of a termination, both entities agree that students who are currently in secondary courses and working toward fulfilling the outcomes or who are in their first semester Washtenaw Community College will be allowed to complete the articulated credit.

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