



ARTICULATION/TRANSFER AGREEMENT

MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY  
Early Childhood Education Program in the Department of Elementary and Special Education

AND

MOTLOW COLLEGE  
Early Childhood Education Program

April 16, 2013

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**Part I****Articulation/Transfer Agreement  
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The purpose of the following Articulation Agreement is to facilitate the transfer of Motlow College (MC) students to the Bachelor of Science degree program in Early Childhood Education at Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU); to provide specific advisement for MC students who intend to transfer to MTSU; and, to encourage academic and administrative coordination between the institutions.

The attached "Program of Study" includes the MTSU Early Childhood Education program requirements and outlines which courses must be taken at MC for transfer to MTSU. Also provided is a listing of the MTSU upper division Early Childhood Education courses that students shall be required to complete in order to complete the Bachelor of Science degree in Early Childhood Education through MTSU.

This Articulation Agreement will be reviewed, amended, updated and/or expanded by mutual consent through an annual review by representatives of each institution. Any revisions will be made in writing and reviewed by each institution's respective Chief Academic Officers or their designees.

MC students wishing to transfer credits to MTSU within the Bachelor of Science degree program in Early Childhood Education must meet the admissions requirements for MTSU. These students must also provide an official transcript of courses completed at MC. If admitted, the students shall become subject to all MTSU policies, procedures and rules.

**NON DISCRIMINATION**

The parties agree to comply with Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Executive Order 11,246, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the related regulations to each. Each party assures that it will not discriminate against any individual including, but not limited to, employees or applicants for employment and/or students because of race, religion, creed, color, sex, age, disability, veteran status or national origin.

The parties also agree to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during their employment without regard to their race, religion, creed, color, sex, age, disability, veteran status, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection available to employees and applicants for employment.

TENNESSEE CLAIMS COMMISSION

Any and all claims against the State of Tennessee, including Middle Tennessee State University, Motlow College, or their employees, shall be heard and determined by the Tennessee Claims Commission in the manner prescribed by law. Damages recoverable against the State shall be expressly limited to claims paid by the Claims Commission pursuant to T.C.A. § 9-8-301 et seq.

The Point of Contact for each institution is as follows:

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Interim Chair, Department of Elementary and Special Education

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Articulation Agreement has been executed in duplicate this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2013.

Middle Tennessee State University

Motlow College

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## Part II

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**EARLY CHILDHOOD to BS Articulation Agreement Requirements**

Students graduating from MC's Associate of Science Degree (A.S) in Early Childhood Education will receive credit for the following general education courses at MTSU:

<b>General Education Requirements</b>			
<b>Motlow Course</b>	<b>MTSU Course</b>		
<b>Communication</b>			<b>9 hours</b>
ENGL 1010 English Composition I	ENGL 1010 Expository Writing	3 hours	
ENGL 1020 English Composition II	ENGL 1020 Research & Argumentative Writing	3 hours	
SPCH 1010 Fundamentals of Speech	COMM 2200 Fundamentals of Communication	3 hours	
<b>Humanities and Fine Arts</b> (at least one course in literature)			<b>9 hours</b>
Choose two from the preferred options:			
ARTA 1030 Art Appreciation	ART 1030 Orientation to Art	6 hours	
MUSA 1030 Music Appreciation	MUS 1030 Introduction to Music		
THEA 1030 Introduction to Theatre	THEA 1030 Theatre Appreciation		
Required:			
ENGL 2130 American Literature	ENGL 2020 Themes in Literature & Culture	3 hours	
<b>Social/Behavioral Sciences</b>			<b>6 hours</b>
Required:			
GEOG 2010 World Regional Geography	GEOG 2000 Introduction to Regional Geography	3 hours	
Choose 1 other from the preferred options:		3 hours	
POLS 1030 American Government	PS 2010 American Government & Politics		
SOCI 1010 Introduction to Sociology	SOC 1010 Introduction to Sociology		
<b>History</b>			<b>6 hours</b>
HIST 2010 Survey of American History I	HIST 2010 Survey of U.S. History I	3 hours	
HIST 2020 Survey of American History II	HIST 2020 Survey of U.S. History II	3 hours	
<b>Mathematics</b>			<b>3 hours</b>
MATH 1010 Mathematics for General Studies	MATH 1010 Mathematics for General Studies	3 hours	
<b>Natural Sciences</b>			<b>8 hours</b>
BIOL 1030 Introduction to Biology	BIOL 1030 Topics in Biology	4 hours	
GEOL 1030 Survey of Geology	GEOL 1030 Introduction to Earth Science	4 hours	
<b>General Education Total</b>			<b>41 hours</b>

The following are Area of Emphasis requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree program in Early Childhood Education at MTSU and the MC equivalent courses which will be accepted for transfer toward the Bachelor of Science. A grade of C- or higher is required for all Area of Emphasis courses.

Area of Emphasis Requirements		
Motlow Course	MTSU Course	
ECED 1010 Intro to Early Childhood Education	EESE 1010 Overview of Education 1*	2 hours
EDU 1120 Teaching & Technology	EESE 1011 Overview of Education 2*	3 hours
ECED 2020 Infant, Toddler, & Child Development	ECE 2350 Human Development I	3 hours
MATH 1410 Number Concepts for Elementary Education	MATH 1410 Concepts & Structure of Elem School Math	3 hours
ECED 2060 Development of the Exceptional Child or EDU 2100 Exceptional Child Development	SPED 3010 Characteristics & Teaching of Diverse Learners	3 hours
Choose 2 of the following:		5 hours
ECED 2040 Family Dynamics & Communication	CDFS 3320 Family Relations	
ECED 2010 Safe, Healthy Learning Environments	NFS 4251 Nutrition for the Young Child	
ECED 2090 Creative Development	ART 3200 Art for Teachers	
<b>Area of Emphasis Total</b>		<b>19 hours</b>

\*Course is a prerequisite for admission into the MTSU Teacher Education Program.

Upper division courses required for the Bachelor of Science degree program in Early Childhood Education taken upon transfer to MTSU include the following (all courses are offered every semester):

- ECE 3310 Human Development II (3)
- ECE 4370 Effective Instruction (B-5) (3)
- MUED 4670 Music for the Young Child (3)
- ECE 4320 Assessing Young Children (3)
- ECE 4380/4381 Infant/Toddler Practicum (3)
- PHED 3500 PE for Early Childhood (3)
- BIOL 3000 Science for Elementary Education (4)
- CDFS 3320 Family Relations, NFS 4251 Nutrition for the Young Child, or ART 3200 Art for Teachers (3) (The course not taken at MC)
- ECE 4300/4301 Preschool Practicum (3)
- ELED 3150 Mathematics Methodology (3)
- ECE 4375/4376 Literacy for Early Childhood (3)
- ELED 3300 Instructional Design & Technology in Elem School (3)
- ECE 4360 Administering Early Childhood Programs (3)

**Total: 40 credits**

Required Residency Courses

- ECE 4100 Residency I, Early Childhood Education (9)
- ECE 4110 Residency II, Grades PreK-3 (12)

**Total: 21 credits**

A grade of C- or higher is required for all upper division courses.

Admission to teacher education requirements include completion of the admissions application (includes an interview), ACT of 22 or pass the Praxis I Pre-Professional Skills Tests, complete at least 45 semester hours with at least 6 semester hours at MTSU, complete with a C- or better Overview of Education courses or approved substitutions, have an overall grade point average of 2.75, and complete a background/fingerprinting check.

Students successfully completing this program will have 121 credits. Students have a full or part time option for BS completion.

Suggested **Full Time** scheduling based on prerequisites/corequisites:

Semester 1 (Fall)	Semester 2 (Spring)	Semester 3 (Summer)
ECE 3310 (3) ECE 4370 (3) PHED 3500 (3) CDFS 3320, NFS 4251, OR ART 3200 (3) Total: 12 credits	ECE 4380/4381 (3) ECE 4320 (3) ECE 4375/4376 (3) MUED 4670 (3) Total: 12 credits	ELED 3150 (3) ELED 3300 (3) BIOL 3000 (4) Total: 10 credits
Semester 4 (Fall)	Semester 5 (Spring)	
ECE 4100 (9) ECE 4300/4301 (3) ECE 4360 (3) Total: 15 credits	ECE 4110 (12)	

Suggested **Part Time** scheduling based on prerequisites/corequisites:

Semester 1 (Fa)	Semester 2 (Sp)	Semester 3 (Sum)	Semester 4 (Fa)	Semester 5 (Sp)
ECE 3310 (3) ECE 4370 (3) Total: 6 credits	ECE 4380/81 (3) ECE 4320 (3) Total: 6 credits	PHED 3500 (3) CDFS 3320, NFS 4251, OR ART 3200 (3) Total: 6 credits	ECE 4375/76 (3) ECE 4300/01 (3) MUED 4670 (3) Total: 9 credits	ELED 3150 (3) ECE 4360 (3) Total: 6 credits
Semester 6 (Sum)	Semester 7 (Fa)	Semester 8 (Sp)		
BIOL 3000 (4) ELED 3150 (3) Total: 7 credits	ECE 4100 (9) Total: 9 credits	ECE 4110 (12) Total: 12 credits		

MTSU commits to holding one or more mandatory 'in-person' meetings at MC each semester to address questions and facilitate the transfer process.

This Articulation Agreement is in keeping with the Tennessee Board of Regents focus on partnership and collaboration between TBR institutions.