

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
For 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels PROGRAM
Between
SOUTHEASTERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE
And
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY EDWARDSVILLE

This Articulation Agreement for a 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program is made and entered into this *10th day of May, 2016* by and between the **Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University**, a body politic and corporate of the State of Illinois, governing Southern Illinois University Edwardsville on behalf of its College of Arts and Sciences, and the **Board of Trustees of Community College District 533**, an Illinois public community college organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, governing Southeastern Illinois College

WHEREAS, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (SIUE) and Southeastern Illinois College (SIC) both share a common pride and a history of serving the Southern Illinois region with high quality educational programs, offering curricula that combine various disciplines in arts and sciences with programs that prepare students for careers in various fields; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the College of Arts and Sciences is to transform thought; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Southeastern Illinois College it to enhance lifelong learning by providing quality accessible educational programs, cultural enrichment opportunities, and support for economic development; and

WHEREAS, SIUE and Southeastern Illinois College desire to enter into this Articulation Agreement to establish a 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program to increase opportunities for student access to and success in an Integrative Studies- Biofuels program by mutually agreeing to clarify transfer policies and procedures that assure articulation between programs and to assist students in making a seamless transfer of Southeastern Illinois College course work to SIUE for the completion of the baccalaureate degree in Integrative Studies- Biofuels;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises contained herein, the institutions agree as follows:

- I. **Purpose** - The purpose of the 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program is for students to be able to obtain bachelor's degrees in Integrative Studies- Biofuels by attending Southeastern Illinois College for two years and attending Southern Illinois University Edwardsville for two years. Upon completion of the requirements of both institutions, students will qualify for Associate in Applied Science degree from Southeastern Illinois College and a Bachelor of Science in Integrative Studies- Biofuels degree from SIUE. Sample curricula outlining how a typical student would be able to satisfy the requirements in each of the listed disciplines are attached to this agreement. The two institutions agree to inform each other of any future curriculum changes so that the basic agreement remains in force as curriculum changes occur at either school.

II. Policies and Procedures for Operation of 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program

A. Student Eligibility

Students are admissible to Southern Illinois University Edwardsville after having completed a minimum of 30 semester hours at Southeastern Illinois College, with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0.

B. Admission to SIUE

Students are required to submit an Application for Admission to Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Students are encouraged to submit the application as soon as they have identified an interest in the 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program. While students will be admitted upon acceptance of the application, they will be prevented from matriculating at SIUE until minimum admission standards have been achieved. This should be accomplished through the successful completion of the outlined curriculum.

Students identifying their interest in the program at the time of application to the University will be provisionally admitted to SIUE in anticipation of successful completion of the Southwestern Illinois curriculum. The SIUE catalog will be in effect from the term of provisional admission throughout continuous enrollment and timely completion of degree requirements. Students failing to complete requirements within the timeline established by SIUE policy may be subject to new and/or revised requirements.

Prior to the student's anticipated entry term, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville will review the student's academic progress to ensure that admission requirements to the University have been satisfied. Students meeting requirements will be eligible to enroll at that time.

Students who are satisfactorily completing the first two years of the curriculum as outlined at Southeastern Illinois College including completion of specific science courses with a minimum grade of C and a cumulative grade point average 2.0 or higher and completion of all program admission requirements will be admitted directly to the Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program following formal admission to the University.

C. Academic Standing and Retention in the SIUE Integrative Studies- Biofuels program

Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 to remain in good academic standing. Once admitted to SIUE Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program students will be subject to standard retention requirements applied to all SIUE students.

Student dismissed from the department for academic deficiencies may appeal through the Integrative Studies- Biofuels undergraduate advisor to the department's Student and Academic Affairs Committee. Students may be directed to reapply to the program or retake specific course work to raise the cumulative grade point average.

D. Transfer of Coursework

Upon receipt of official transcripts from Southeastern Illinois College, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville will record all transfer credit to the student's record as articulated.

III. SIUE Responsibilities

- A. Designate a contact person to handle all communication with Southeastern Illinois College that relates to the administration of the 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program.
- B. Each semester, provide Southeastern Illinois College with a list of Southeastern Illinois College students enrolled in the 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program.
- C. Inform Southeastern Illinois College of any current and planned changes to the curriculum that may impact the operation of the 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels program.

IV. Southeastern Illinois College Responsibilities

- A. Designate a contact person to handle all communication with Southern Illinois University Edwardsville that relates to the administration of the 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program.
- B. Inform Southern Illinois University Edwardsville of any current and planned changes to the curriculum that may impact the operation of the 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels program.
- C. At the end of each semester, provide SIUE Office of the Registrar with official transcripts of Southeastern Illinois College students enrolled in the 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels program. The transcripts are to be forwarded to Box 1080, Edwardsville, IL 62026-1080.
- D. Consult with, and obtain the approval of, the SIUE Office of Marketing and Communications prior to using SIUE name and/or logo in any recruitment materials for the 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program.

V. **Term** - The term of this Articulation Agreement shall be from *August 2016* to *July 2020*. This Articulation Agreement may be renewed only by written agreement of the institutions. An institution may terminate this Articulation Agreement with 120 day written notice to the other institution. Termination, however, will not be executed without a negotiated teach-out agreement for students currently enrolled.

VI. **Relationship of the Institutions** - The institutions agree that they are independent institutions contracting together, and that nothing contained herein is to be construed as making the institutions partners or joint venturers. For purposes of the subject matter of this Articulation Agreement, the employees, officers and agents of one institution shall not be employees, officers, or agents of the other institution and may not hold themselves as such nor may they make any representations or commitments on behalf of the other. Both institutions, through their employees, officers, and agents, may represent such matters and understandings as are contained in this agreement.

VII. **Notices** - All notices pursuant to this Articulation Agreement shall be made in writing and will be deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the following designated representatives

for each institution:

SIUE	Southeastern Illinois College
Name: Leslie Daugherty	Name: Karen Weiss
Address: SIUE Transfer Center	Address: 3575 College Rd.
Edwardsville, IL 62026-1047	Harrisburg, IL 62946
Telephone: (618) 650-2133	Telephone: (618) 252-5400 ext. 2300
E-mail: ledaugh@siue.edu	E-mail: karen.weiss@sic.edu

VIII. Mutual Understandings

A. Compliance – Performance pursuant to this Articulation Agreement shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, regulations, ordinances, and orders. Further, each institution shall be governed by the applicable and mandatory policies, procedures, regulations established by their governing bodies, any accrediting bodies, and any other agency with oversight obligations in the implementation and interpretation of this Articulation Agreement. Students shall comply with the policies, rules, regulations and procedures of the institution of their enrollment.

B. Non-Discrimination - The institutions hereto agree that neither institution shall in the performance of this Articulation Agreement discriminate against any individual on the basis of race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, creed, marital status, national origin, physical or mental disability unrelated to ability, or unfavorable discharge from military service not including dishonorable discharge.

C. Program Promotion - Each institution shall advertise the provisions of this agreement so that it is disseminated to prospective and existing students by reasonable means, which may include but is not limited to the Internet, student catalogs, view books, program brochures, and other advertising. Advertising copy for the 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program shall be reviewed and approved in writing by each institution prior to publication. Each institution shall have a limited, non-exclusive right to use the name, trademarks, and logos of the other institution in the advertising for the 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program.

D. Cooperation - Each institution shall encourage and maintain a high degree of cooperation between their support staffs in the operation of this Articulation Agreement.

E. Waiver - Waiver by either institution of any term or provision of this Articulation Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of any other or all terms and provisions. To be effective, any waiver, change, discharge or termination of any provision of the Articulation Agreement shall be in writing signed by both institutions.

F. Confidentiality of Student Education Records – Each institution shall comply fully with all provisions of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) in performance of obligations pursuant to this Articulation Agreement. Subject to FERPA, the institutions shall share student records to the extent necessary to operate the 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program and shall protect such records from unauthorized disclosure.

G. Applicable Law - Questions of validity, execution, construction, and interpretation which may arise hereunder shall be governed by the laws of the state of Illinois without reference to conflict of law principles.

H. Severability - If any clause or provision of this Articulation Agreement, or the application of any clause to a particular context or to a particular situation, circumstance or person, should be held unenforceable, invalid or in violation of law by any court, the validity and enforceability of the enforceable portion of any such provision and/or the remaining provisions shall not be affected thereby.

I. Amendments - This Articulation Agreement may be amended only by written addendum signed by both institutions.

J. Entire Agreement - This Articulation Agreement and its attachments constitute the entire agreement

between the institutions pertaining to the 2+2 Integrative Studies- Biofuels Program and supersede all prior written or verbal agreements between the Southern Illinois University Edwardsville and Southeastern Illinois College.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the institutions hereto have executed this Articulation Agreement on the date first written above.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
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