

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY
AND
SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE

**Articulation Agreement
Associate of Arts in Teaching (STC)
Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies in Bilingual Education, ESL, or Special Education (UTRGV)**

This AGREEMENT, effective 13th day of December 2019, is between The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (“UTRGV”), a component institution of The University of Texas System, and South Texas College (“STC”), a College having its principal office in McAllen, Texas.

WHEREAS, UTRGV and STC desire to implement an Articulation to provide students enrolled at STC with an opportunity to smoothly transition to and further their educational opportunity at UTRGV;

WHEREAS, students declaring Teaching as their major at STC and successfully completing the courses outlined below is an indicator to UTRGV that the student has completed the appropriate courses, received the necessary instructions and preparation, and that similar knowledge, skills, and student learning outcomes can be expected, enabling the student’s progression to the upper division course sequence or requirement at UTRGV;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises herein, the parties agree to the following:

1.0 Term

This agreement shall be effective for two years from the date of its execution, upon revisions mandated by state requirements, or until a new agreement is created. The agreement may be renewed upon the mutual written approval of The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and South Texas College.

2.0 Courses of Study

UTRGV’s College of Education and P-16 Integration will accept the complete set of lower division courses from a student who successfully completes courses outlined below from STC and is admitted to UTRGV.

- All STC courses transferred to UTRGV shall be part of the *Lower Division Academic Course Guide Manual* issued by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.
- For the UTRGV **Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies in Bilingual Education, ESL, or Special Education**, the following STC **Associate of Arts in Teaching** field of study electives will satisfy degree requirements as follows:

STC

BIOL 1408 Biology for Non-Science Majors I
 EDUC 1301 Introduction to the Teaching Profession
 EDUC 2301 Introduction to Special Populations
 MUSI 1306 Music Appreciation
 GEOL 1403 Physical Geology
 MATH 1350 Mathematics for Teachers I
 MATH 1351 Mathematics for Teachers II

UTRGV

BIOL 1406 General Biology I
 EDUC 1301 Introduction to Teaching
 EDFR 2301 Intercultural Context of Schooling
 MUSI 1313 Teaching Music in Elementary School
 GEOL 1403 Physical Geology
 MATH 1350 Fundamentals of Mathematics I
 MATH 1351 Fundamentals of Mathematics II

- 2.1 In accordance with Sec 61.822 of the Texas Education Code, a student who successfully completes courses in the STC core curriculum will receive academic credit at UTRGV for each of the core courses transferred. However, there are circumstances where additional classes are required by the major even when core is complete.
- 2.2 Transfer students must apply for admission and meet requirements to both UTRGV and the Teacher Education Program. Transfer students are encouraged to complete their **Associate of Arts in Teaching** at STC prior to completion of their first semester of study at UTRGV. STC and UTRGV faculty will work with students to help promote the completion of the Associates degree in a timely fashion.
- 2.3 STC will align EDUC 1301 and EDUC 2301 to TExES Professional Pedagogy and Responsibilities (PPR) standards set forth by UTRGV's EDUC 1301 and EDFR 2301.
- 2.4 This Articulation Agreement will be published and provided as a transfer guide during academic advisement at STC.

3.0 Designated Liaison

Each institution designates the following officials to serve as its liaison to coordinate and facilitate activities under this Articulation Agreement and to address any concerns or disputes that may arise relating to the terms and conditions of this Articulation Agreement.

South Texas College:
 Dr. Rene R. Zuniga
 Education
 Department Chair

The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley:
 Dr. Criselda Garcia
 Associate Dean for Initial Preparation Programs and
 Academic Affairs

Executed by the undersigned representatives of the two institutions on December 13, 2019.

APPROVED:

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY

SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE

 Dr. Patricia Alvarez-McHatton
 Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
 Student Success and P-16 Integration

 Dr. Anahid Petrosian
 Vice President for Academic Affairs

 Dr. Alma Rodriguez
 Dean, College of Education and P-16 Integration

 Dr. Margaretha Bischoff
 Dean, Liberal Arts and Social Sciences