



BELLEVUE UNIVERSITY

AND

SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE

## ARTICULATION AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE ADVANTAGE PARTNERSHIP

Bellevue University, located at 1000 Galvin Road South, Bellevue, NE 68005, and South Texas College, located at 3201 W. Pecan Blvd., McAllen, TXD 78501, believes that cooperative programs benefit the community, employers, and students in their regions. It allows smooth transition for students transferring between institutions, and maximizes allowable transfer of credit. Therefore, Bellevue University (BU) and South Texas College are entering into the following agreement for articulation.

Bellevue University agrees that if a student satisfactorily completes any Associate degree and presents the appropriate transcript documentation of such to the Registrar of Bellevue University, he/she:

1. Will receive full credit of that degree toward the completion of the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts or Bachelor of Science degree programs at Bellevue University. Students who hold an associate degree will have no additional general education core curriculum requirements to meet but must satisfy the Kirkpatrick Signature Series requirement.
2. Will be required to complete at least 20 credit hours of in-residence courses at Bellevue University for the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts or Bachelor of Science degree.

(Note: Accelerated cohort programs exceed residency requirements.)

3. Such a student will be awarded a Bachelor's degree when all graduation requirements have been met, such as:
  - a. Requirements in the major course of study as stated in the University Catalog.
  - b. Required total credit hours to complete the degree as stated in the University Catalog (a minimum of 127 semester hours for the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees and 132 semester hours for the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree).
  - c. All other graduation requirements, as stated in the University Catalog, including those pertaining to standards of progress, upper division hours, hours in residence, demonstration of specific competencies and articulated core where relevant.

(Note: Students transferring without an Associate's degree will have credits evaluated on a course by course basis.)

### **Bellevue University and South Texas College Marketing and Communication**

1. For purposes of this agreement, BU grants to South Texas College, and South Texas College grants to BU, permission to use, display, reproduce and publish, without compensation each other's trademarks as an institutional partner on websites, cobranded web portals, and in print marketing publications.

2. The parties will provide an electronic version of the Trademarks for the use permitted by this agreement. Each party represents and warrants that it possesses all right necessary for the granting of the permissions set forth in this Agreement.
3. Each Institution reserves the right to review in advance any information including to but not limited to, websites, cobranded web portals, and in print marketing publications.

**Accreditation**

Bellevue University and South Texas College will ensure that they maintain accreditation with the appropriate regional accrediting body and ensure that all operations will be in keeping with accreditation requirements of the two institutions.

**Duration and Termination of Agreement**

Bellevue University and South Texas College agree that this Agreement shall be in force the date of the signing of the Agreement and shall remain in force until modified or terminated in writing, following reasonable and mutual discussion by representatives of the two institutions.

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Donna McDaniel, Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Bellevue University

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Juan E. Mejia  
Vice President for Academic Affairs  
South Texas College

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Dr. Ali Esmaeili  
Dean, Bachelor Programs and University Relations  
South Texas College

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