

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY
AND
SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE

Articulation Agreement
Associate of Science in Biology (South Texas College)
Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Science (UTRGV)

This AGREEMENT, effective the 12th of May, 2020, 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 Interdisciplinary Studies 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 Health Professions 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 or the Workforce Education Course Manual* issued by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.
- For the UTRGV **Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Sciences degree**, the following **STC Associate of Science Degree** courses will satisfy degree requirements as follows:

STC Course	UTRGV Credit
BIOL 1406 Biology for Science Majors I	BMED 1103 Introductory Cell Biology BMED 1104 Introductory Molecular Biology BMED 1105 Introductory Medical Genetics BMED 1102 Introductory Biomedical Laboratory I
BIOL 2421 Microbiology	BMED 1101 Introductory to Medical Biochemistry BMED 1106 Introductory Medical Microbiology BMED 1107 Introductory Immunology BMED 1109 Evolutionary Medicine
BIOL 2401 Anatomy and Physiology I	BMED 1108 Introductory Medical Neuroscience BMED 1110 Introductory Medical Physiology BMED 3108 Integrated Body Systems V: Dermatology, Hematology and Musculoskeletal BMED 1111 Introductory Biomedical Laboratory II
BIOL 2402 Anatomy and Physiology II	BMED 3104 Integrated Body Systems I: Cardiovascular and Pulmonary

	BMED 3105 Integrated Body Systems II: Gastrointestinal Systems BMED 3106 Integrated Body Systems III: Renal, Fluid and Electrolytes BMED 3107 Integrated Body Systems IV: Endocrine and Reproductive
PSYC 2301 General Psychology (has to be taken for Social and Behavioral Science core)	PSYC 2301 General Psychology Meets UTRGV Social and Behavioral Science core and BMED major

- 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 when additional classes are required by the major even when core is complete.
- 2.2 Transfer students are encouraged to complete their Associate of Science degree 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 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.

University of Texas – Rio Grande Valley:
 Dr. Saraswathy Nair
 Chair, Department of Health & Biomedical Sciences

South Texas College:
 Dr. Maria Cervantes
 Chair, Biology Department

Executed by the undersigned representatives of the two institutions on **May 12, 2020**.

APPROVED:

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY

SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE

Dr. Patricia Alvarez-McHatton
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