

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Bethel University

and

Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology

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THIS ARTICULATION AGREEMENT (the “Agreement”) is entered into by and between Bethel University (“Transfer School”) and Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology (TCATs) (“Institution”) as of the date of the last signature on this Agreement. The parties desire to enter into a contract pursuant to which students of Institution will be eligible for articulated course credits at Transfer School, according to the terms contained in this Agreement.

ACCORDINGLY, in consideration of the promises and mutual covenants contained in this Agreement, and of other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. Description of Articulation Program.

- a. Purpose. The purpose of this Agreement is to facilitate the transfer of Institution’s students to Transfer School; to provide specific advisement for Institution’s students who intend to transfer to Transfer School; and, to encourage academic and administrative coordination between the two parties in the following program of study: Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice.

Attachment A “Program of Study” outlines the equivalent transfer courses at Transfer School for courses taken at Institution.

A listing of the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice courses that students shall be required to complete in order to earn a baccalaureate degree through Transfer School is also provided, as well.

- b. Annual Review. This Agreement will be subject to annual review by representatives of each party. Any recommendations for revisions will be made in writing and reviewed by each party’s respective Chief Academic Officer or their designees. The articulation requirements of this Agreement may only be amended in the form of an amendment signed by authorized representatives of the parties and the Chancellor of the Tennessee Board of Regents.
- c. Program of Study. Changes by either party to a Program of Study can be incorporated into this Agreement by written amendment, as agreed by both parties.
- d. Admission Requirements. Students wishing to transfer credits to Transfer School must also meet the admissions requirements of Transfer School, and the parties acknowledge and agree that Transfer School reserves the right to reject any such student’s admission to Transfer School, in accordance with its standard policies and procedures. These students must also provide an official transcript of courses completed. If admitted, the students shall become subject to all of Transfer School’s policies, procedures and rules.
- e. Non-Exclusivity. This Agreement is not exclusive, and either party may enter into similar agreements with any other party.
- f. Promotion. Both parties agree to use commercially reasonable efforts to promote, publicize and advertise the opportunities contemplated by this Agreement to their faculty, staff, alumni, students and potential students.

- g. Liaisons. Each party shall designate a representative to serve as its liaison in all matters arising under this Agreement, and shall furnish in writing the name of each representative to the other party.

2. Term and Termination.

- a. Term. This Agreement will be effective from the date of final signature below, (the “Effective Date”), and shall remain in effect for three (3) years. It is agreed that if terminated, both institutions will honor the terms of the Agreement until the end of the next admissions application and review period.
- b. Post-Termination. Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, Institution’s students previously accepted by or admitted to Transfer School shall continue to receive the benefits contemplated by this Agreement until such time such students have completed their coursework or have otherwise withdrawn

3. Miscellaneous.

- a. Non-Discrimination. Both parties shall abide by all applicable Federal and State laws pertaining to discrimination and hereby agree and assure that no person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination in the performance of this Agreement or in the employment practices of both parties on the grounds of classifications protected by Federal or State law.
- b. Binding Agreement. This Agreement shall not be binding upon the parties until it is approved by the president or designee of Transfer School and the Chancellor of the Tennessee Board of Regents.
- c. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee without regard to its conflict of laws provisions.
- d. Notices. All notices or other written communications relating to termination, expiration, or any other legal matter relating to this Agreement will be effective when received and must be given in writing by courier or reputable overnight delivery service, or by certified mail, return receipt requested, to either party at the following address (or to such other address as such party may substitute, by providing a written notice.)

For Transfer School:

Bethel University
325 Cherry Ave.
McKenzie, TN 38201
Attention: Dr. Wayne Scott



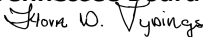
For Institution:

Tennessee Board of Regents
Office of Academic Affairs- Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology
1 Bridgestone Parkway
Nashville, TN 37214
Attention: Dr. Tachaka Hollins

- e. Waivers. The waiver by either party of any provision of this Agreement on any occasion and upon any particular circumstance shall not operate as a waiver of such provision of this Agreement on any other occasion or upon any other circumstance.
- f. Complete Agreement; Integration. This Agreement contains the complete understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all other agreements, understandings, communications and promises of any kind, whether oral or written, between the parties with respect to such subject matter.
- g. Counterparts; Facsimile Signatures. This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, all of which shall be originals and which together shall constitute a single agreement. For the purpose of interpreting this Agreement, facsimile and PDF signatures shall be considered equivalent to original signatures.
- h. Independent Contractors. The parties are independent contractors, and no agency, partnership, franchise, joint venture, or employment relationship is intended or created by this Agreement. Neither party shall make any commitment, or give the impression that it has authority to make any commitment, on behalf of the other party.
- i. Confidentiality of Records. All educational records created, disclosed, or maintained pursuant to the terms of this Agreement are confidential and shall be created, disclosed, and maintained pursuant to the provisions of Family Educational Right to Privacy Act, also known as FERPA (20 U.S.C.A. s1232g) and its regulations.
- j. Per SACSCOC Standard 10.8 in the Principles of Accreditation, all transfer credit contemplated in this Agreement has been evaluated by academically qualified faculty of Transfer School to ensure that students receiving credit for courses taken at Institution have achieved the same level of knowledge, skills and experiences as those who have completed coursework at Transfer School.

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In Witness Whereof, the parties have by their duly authorized representatives set their signatures.

<p>Bethel University  _____ Dr. Wayne Scott, Executive Vice President 2026-03-20 10:33 AM CDT _____ Date</p>	<p>Tennessee Board of Regents  _____ Dr. Jothany Reed, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs 2026-03-20 11:12 AM CDT _____ Date</p>
	<p>Approved By: Tennessee Board of Regents  _____ Flora W. Tydings, Chancellor 2026-03-20 11:16 AM CDT _____ Date</p>

ATTACHMENT A

Articulation of the **Criminal Justice: Correctional Officer** program Delivered at the

Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology to be Applied Toward

The **Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice** Delivered at **Bethel University**

Course Code	Description	Hours	Total Hours
CRJ 0001	Worker Characteristics	6	
CRJ 1004	Technology Foundations	20	
CRJ 1073	Orientation to the Criminal Justice System	60	
CRJ 1074	Ethics and Legal Issues	75	
CRJ 1075	History of Corrections and Corrections Theory	60	
CRJ 1076	Communications and Critical Thinking	45	
CRJ 1077	Emergency Procedures	45	
CRJ 1078	Defensive Tactics and Use of Force	65	
CRJ 1079	TN Corrections Institute Basic	56	
	Correctional Officer Apprentice	Certificate C1	432
CRJ 2002	Worker Characteristics	6	
CRJ 2005	Work Based Learning Practicum	162	
	Master Correctional Officer	Certificate CT	600

Responsibilities of Bethel:

1. TCAT students wishing to transfer to Bethel University’s College of Professional Studies to pursue an Associate’s or Bachelor’s degree in Criminal Justice must be in good standing with the TCAT. Students must have earned a Certificate in TCAT’s Criminal Justice program.
2. Having met admissions requirements, Bethel will provide a one-time **award of up to 15 credit hours to students transferring with the Criminal Justice program**. These credits will be awarded as **nine (9) hours of elective credit and six (6) hours of major credit (Introduction to Corrections (3 credits) and Introduction to Criminal Justice (3 credits))**. Credit is granted based upon the evaluation of official transcripts issued to Bethel by TCAT.
3. The chief academic officers or their designees will confer at least once per year about course offerings at the Institutions.