

Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) and Georgia Independent Colleges Association (GICA) Transfer Articulation Agreement

Introduction

This agreement formally recognizes that TCSG, GICA and its 25 member institutions, are active educational partners in providing educational opportunities for currently enrolled and prospective students of both TCSG and GICA member institutions. Agreement to this partnership requires a commitment by all entities to serve and to facilitate a student's ability to transfer select coursework without jeopardizing the intended mission and stated goals of any participating entity.

Agreement on Communication

TCSG and GICA agree to cooperate in communicating with each other concerning this articulation agreement between the two agencies and the institutions they represent. Communications may include common publications and announcements concerning their affiliation. Announcements of this articulation agreement and its updates will have a coordinated release to the public from both agencies. GICA will provide TCSG annually the name and contact information of the primary contact for this agreement at each participating institution. TCSG and GICA's member institutions will encourage the dissemination of information about programs in this agreement with interested and qualified students, with both agencies providing advising and counseling to prospective students.

Agreement of Admission

A TCSG student having a minimum 2.5 GPA for all academic work *attempted* at a SACS accredited TCSG institution *and* an Associate of Applied Science or Associate of Science degree from a TCSG institution will be admitted to participating GICA member baccalaureate degree granting participating institution according to Appendix B. GICA member baccalaureate degree-granting participating institutions may deny admission only if coursework beyond the two-year degree falls below minimum admission standards or applicants are not in good standing.

Admission to the GICA participating institution does not guarantee admission to specific majors or programs. Students must meet minimum admission requirements specific to select majors or programs to be considered for admission into such majors or programs. Students who have not completed pre-requisites for admission to specific majors will be required to complete the pre-requisites at the transferring GICA institution.

This agreement, as outlined in Appendix B, is open to all students of SACS accredited TCSG institutions regardless of race, color, religion, gender, age, creed, national origin, or disability except where noted below:

- a. Brenau University - Women's College

- b. Covenant College - Faith Commitment Required
- c. Toccoa Falls College - Faith Commitment Required
- d. Truett-McConnell College - Faith Commitment Required
- e. Wesleyan College - Women's College

Agreement on Articulated Courses

This agreement ensures transferability of selected courses from a SACS accredited TCSG college to participating GICA colleges and universities. A student having earned a grade of "C" or better in a course identified in the attached matrix from a SACS accredited TCSG institution is ensured that course will transfer as indicated in Appendix A. Transfer credit will not be granted for sub 100 level coursework. Transferred courses cannot exceed 60 semester hours or the equivalent quarter hours. Additional credits may be accepted if the four-year institution approves the courses to meet other program requirements or to satisfy elective credits.


The General Education/CORE requirements at the below institutions will be fulfilled as a block of 60 credits for students who have earned the Associate of Applied Science or Associate of Science degree at a SACS accredited TCSG institution.

- a. Brenau University (NOTE: Only for A.S)
- b. LaGrange College
- c. Paine College
- d. Reinhardt University (NOTE: Only for A.S)


This agreement replaces any former agreements and applies to all courses in the attached matrix.

Agreement on Maintenance and Review

At least one administrative or faculty member will be appointed from TCSG, GICA, and from each GICA participating institution to act as a primary point of contact for the agreement, to speak for the agency, and to communicate details and modifications to respective faculty, administrators, and advisors at the institutions involved. This agreement will be in effect from the date of administrative endorsement. Either party may elect to terminate this agreement by sending a written statement to the other party with at least one term prior notice of the cancellation.



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