

# PROGRAM TO PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Agreement with Respect to Applying the  
**AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY**  
**Associate of Applied Sciences Degree Program**  
Towards the  
**AGRONOMY MAJOR – PRODUCTION SPECIALIZATION**  
**Bachelor of Science Degree Program**

Between  
MITCHELL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE  
and  
SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

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## I. Parties

The parties to this agreement are Mitchell Technical Institute (MTI) and South Dakota State University (SDSU).

## II. Purpose

The purpose of this agreement is to:

- A. have a signed articulation agreement that addresses the varying needs of students and complementary nature of the institutions' programs;
- B. provide increased educational opportunities for students from South Dakota and the region;
- C. extend and clarify educational opportunities for students; and
- D. provide MTI students who have completed the A.A.S. degree in Agricultural Technology an opportunity to earn a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Agronomy—Production Specialization.

## III. Academic Program

- A. Upon successful completion of the major requirements specified in III.B. below, SDSU will accept **34-36** technical course credits from the A.A.S. degree in Agricultural Technology for students majoring in Agronomy—Production Specialization. Students must successfully complete the A.A.S. degree in Agricultural Technology from MTI prior to transferring to SDSU for the technical course credits to be accepted. General Education coursework is in addition to the 34-36 technical course credits. Students must meet all Board of Regents policies and university graduation requirements in order to receive a degree.
- B. Requirements to be completed at SDSU to earn a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Agronomy—Production Specialization are outlined below.

Major requirements: 28 credits:

- 1. PS 223-223L Principles of Plant Pathology (3)
- 2. PS 305-305L Insect Biology (3)

3. PS 332 Soil Fertility & Fertilizer (3)
4. PS 343-343L Weed Science (3)
5. PS 490 Seminar (1)
6. ABS 475-47L Integrated Natural Resource Management and Lab(3)
7. Natural Resources Stewardship Elective, see p. 138, 2005-2006 catalog (3)

Note: 2.5 cumulative GPA is required on the above courses.

8. Plant Science Electives (9)

Required Support Courses: 26-27 credits

1. CHEM 108/108L, Organic and Biochemistry and Lab (5 credits) OR CHEM 120/120L, Organic Chemistry and Lab (4 credits)
2. PHYS 101/101L, Introductory Physics and Lab (4 credits)
3. PS 383/383L, Principles of Crop Improvement and Lab (3 credits)
4. CHEM 106/106L, Chemistry Survey and Lab (4 credits)
5. BOT 327-127L Plant Physiology & Lab (4 credits)
6. PS 421-421L Soil Microbiology & Lab OR MICR 231-231L General Microbiology & Lab (4 credits)
7. STAT 281 Statistics (3 credits)

General Education/Institutional Graduation Requirement Courses: 38-39 credits

1. Must include BIOL 151-151L, General Biology I and Lab AND BIOL 153-153L General Biology II and Lab OR BOT 201-201L General Botany & Lab(7-8 credits)
2. Must include ECON 201, Principles of Microeconomics OR ECON 202, Principles of Macroeconomics (3 credits)
3. 29-30 remaining credits must meet System General Education requirements, Institutional Graduation requirements, Globalization requirement and Writing Intensive requirement and be selected from the approved list of courses specified in BOR policy 2:7. To fulfill the System General Education Requirements, all students must pass the System Information Literacy Examination. Technical institute graduates must take the examination the first semester of enrollment at the university.

Electives: 0 credits

**Total number of credits at SDSU: 92-94**

**Total number of credits from MTI: 34-36\***

**Total credits required: 128**

\*Transferable general education course credits can be completed at MTI.

Additional requirements:

1. Students transferring from Mitchell Technical Institute must have a cumulative GPA of "C" (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) and no course grade below a "C" (2.0 on a 4.0 scale).
2. In accordance with BOR policy 2:28, students must demonstrate satisfactory performance in writing, mathematics, reading and science reasoning as evidenced by receiving a passing score on all sections of the Collegiate



Assessment of Academic Proficiency (CAAP) exam. In accordance with the Regental policy, students must sit for the exam during the semester in which they have completed 48 passed credit hours and must have completed a specified 18 credit hours of general education courses. To meet these requirements, the MTI graduates must enroll in and pass the specified 18 credit hours of general education courses during the first two semesters of attendance at SDSU.

**IV. Obligations**

Both parties agree to confer with each other on a yearly basis regarding changes in curricula involved in this articulation agreement.

**V. Modifications**

This agreement may be modified from time to time by the South Dakota Board of Regents and Mitchell Technical Institute with approval from the South Dakota Board of Education. Modifications may not diminish the entitlements enjoyed by students who have already attended classes delivered under the terms of earlier versions of the agreement, except in rare instances in which retroactive implementation of modifications may be required to comply with accreditation standards or to conform to professional licensure requirements.

**VI. Incorporation of terms in master agreement**

The parties have entered into the present agreement pursuant to the agreement of January 25, 2005 between the Mitchell Area Schools Board of Education on behalf of Mitchell Technical Institute and the South Dakota Board of Regents on behalf of Black Hills State University, Dakota State University, Northern State University, the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, South Dakota State University and the University of South Dakota. This agreement shall be subject to all terms and conditions stated in the January 25, 2005 agreement.

**VI. Effective Date of Agreement**

Start Date of Fall 2005 Terms at MTI and SDSU. The agreement applies to students who graduated from MTI in 2000 and subsequent years.


**VII. Acceptance of Agreement**

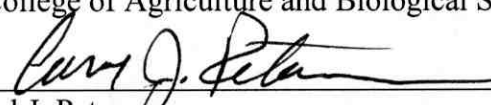
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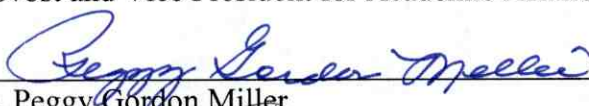
  
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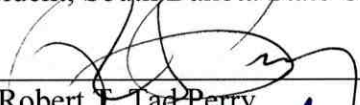
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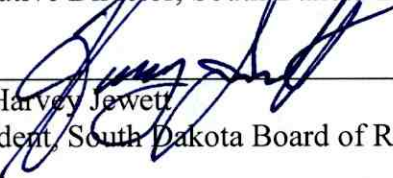
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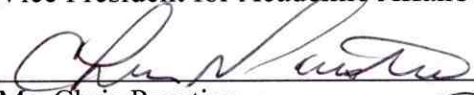
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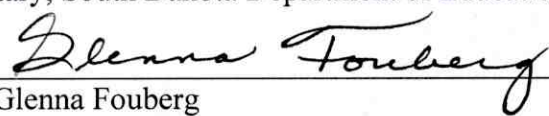
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Mr. Harvey Jewett  
President, South Dakota Board of Regents

For Mitchell Technical Institute:

 Date: 3-28-06  
Ms. Vicki Wiese  
Vice President for Academic Affairs

 Date: 3-28-06  
Mr. Chris Paustian  
President, Mitchell Technical Institute

 Date: 4/2/06  
Dr. Rick Melmer  
Secretary, South Dakota Department of Education

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Mrs. Glenna Fouberg  
President, South Dakota Board of Education