

# **ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

## **Aiken Technical College Associate of Arts in Criminal Justice and Lander University Bachelor of Science in Criminology**

Aiken Technical College (ATC) and Lander University (LU) have formed a partnership to enhance the transfer of students from ATC to LU. The articulation agreement will provide ATC students pursuing the Associate of Arts in Criminal Justice who meet the minimum GPA requirement of a 2.0 with advising and academic support for a successful transition to Lander University's Bachelor of Science in Criminology program. With its course articulations, this agreement also opens up a pathway for students who earned the Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice at ATC to transfer to LU as well.

### **ADMISSION AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

- A. Lander University admission and program admission requirements apply to students who transfer under this agreement. Additionally, ATC students meeting the transfer requirements of this agreement, will be guaranteed admission to LU and receive priority acceptance into the B.S. in Criminology program.
- B. Policies governing the admission, enrollment, and transfer of students are the sole purview of each institution.
- C. Students accepted into LU must fulfill the LU program and graduation requirements.
- D. Each institution will provide updates of any admission policy changes prior to the start of fall semester in a given academic year.
- E. Students transferring to LU through the articulation agreement will enter under the academic provisions of the LU catalog in place at the time of their signed declaration of intent to transfer.
- F. Both ATC and LU agree to inform and train academic advisors concerning the terms of this agreement and the articulation of courses between the institutions. Advisor names and contact information will be given to each institution.

### **PROMOTION OF AGREEMENT**

- A. Both ATC and LU agree to promote this agreement to students at all ATC campuses by means of a marketing strategy approved by both institutions. A review of this marketing strategy will take place annually.
- B. For purposes of this agreement, LU grants ATC, and ATC grants LU, permission to use, display, reproduce, and publish without compensation each other's logos and trademarks as an institutional partner on websites, cobranded web portals, and in print marketing publications.
- C. LU and ATC will provide an electronic version of the logos and trademarks for the use permitted by this agreement only. Each party represents and warrants that it possesses all rights necessary for the granting of the permissions set forth in this agreement.

- D. LU will provide a link for transfer agreement on the LU website. ATC will provide a link for the agreement on the ATC website.
- E. Each institution reserves the right to review in advance any information including but not limited to, websites, cobranded web portals, and in print marketing publications.
- F. Upon written permission of program participants, LU and ATC will share demographic and academic information about the students who are designated LU Articulation students, where appropriate as specified in the LU Articulation Program student application.

#### **ARTICULATION PROGRAM ADVISEMENT**

- A. An LU representative will participate in the Transfer Program at ATC at least once per semester through participation in any special days or programs for transfer students.
- B. Academic Program Coordinators at LU will provide timely notice to ATC when changes in the curriculum occur and will assist in revising pathway documents to facilitate degree completion for articulation students.
- C. ATC will provide a transcript at no cost to any student transferring under this agreement upon written request from the student.
- D. LU will accept the Statewide Articulation Agreement of 86 courses approved by the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education for transfer from two- to four-year public institutions as part of the articulation agreement.
- E. LU will provide student services to include access to the LU Transfer Coordinator, designated Open House events, as well as scheduled LU articulation program meetings with students.

#### **STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF AGREEMENT**

- A. Students planning to transfer to Lander University's Bachelor of Science in Criminology will sign an Intent to Transfer form with the ATC Transfer Program. The intent to transfer will be shared with the LU Admissions Office. Transfer of the intent to transfer student agreements will be the responsibility of the ATC Bridge Program Coordinator and the LU Transfer Coordinator. (Addendum 2)
- B. Students desiring to take advantage of the terms of the articulation agreement must complete all requirements to enjoy the rights and privileges of the agreement.
- C. Students who enter into this articulation agreement will be guaranteed the rights and privileges outlined in the agreement once the agreement is signed and contingent upon their strict adherence to the requirements (both curricular and non-curricular).
- D. Qualified articulation transfer students are automatically considered for merit and transfer scholarships.
- E. Students will have access to the LU library, as would any other student of the university.
- F. Students will have access to any LU athletic events, as would any other student of the university.

- G. Students who have completed the intent to transfer as part of the articulation agreements will have admission/application fees waived.

## **TRANSFER OF CREDITS**

Lander University will accept up to **64** semester hours of credit from Aiken Technical College's Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice to apply to Lander University's Bachelor of Science in Criminology. (Addendum 1) The student will complete additional hours at LU to earn a **total of 120 hours** for the Bachelor of Science in Criminology.

- A. Courses will transfer as described in the Course Transfer Articulations in this Articulation Agreement.
- B. Lander University will accept transfer credit from specific ATC degrees to specific LU undergraduate degrees if the following requirements are met by both institutions:
  - a. In order for Lander University to meet its obligation to comply with accreditation requirements for Faculty Qualifications (6.2.a.) as they pertain to baccalaureate degrees, Aiken Technical College will ensure that all faculty teaching courses in the AAS degree transfer agreement have completed a master-level degree and have eighteen hours in the teaching discipline on the graduate transcript.
  - b. Program Coordinators at Lander University are responsible for developing bachelor degree pathways for students desiring to begin their education at ATC in an AAS program and complete a baccalaureate degree at LU.

## **REVERSE TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS**

- A. Lander University's Office of University Registrar and Aiken Technical College's Office of Academic Admissions will maintain communication to promote seamless reverse transfer.
- B. Students participating in the Articulation program will sign a waiver for the release of reverse transfer hours from LU to ATC.
- C. Both LU and ATC will highly encourage completion an associate degree at Aiken Technical College prior to transferring to LU. However, students transferring to LU from ATC, who completed twenty-five percent of their ATC degree prior to transfer, may qualify for reverse transfer of hours to ATC for completion of an associate degree.
- D. LU will provide reverse transfer transcripts of program applicants to ATC at no charge with permission of the student.
- E. Courses completed at LU may be used within graduation guidelines for Aiken Technical College to complete reverse transfer and award of certificates, diplomas, and degrees from ATC. Both institutions agree to share transfer data and student success data to be used in joint assessment activities and agreement evaluation processes.

## **TERMS OF AGREEMENT**

- A. The Chief Academic Officers or designees of the parties to this agreement will implement the terms of this agreement, including identifying and incorporating any changes into subsequent agreements, assuring compliance with system policy, procedure and guidelines, and conducting an annual review of this agreement.

- B. Program curriculum and requirements listed in the Course Transfer Articulations (Addendum 1) are subject to change. Each institution agrees to make any changes known to the other in a timely fashion.
- C. Lander University and Aiken Technical College will ensure that they maintain accreditation with the appropriate regional accrediting body to ensure that all operations meet with accreditation requirements of the two institutions.
- D. This Articulation/Transfer Agreement is effective on **July 1, 2021** and shall remain in effect for five years unless terminated or amended by either party with 120 days prior written notice.
- E. This Articulation/Transfer Agreement will be reviewed by both parties as required but at least annually beginning on or after **July 1, 2022**.

**INSTITUTIONAL AUTHORIZATION**

Lander University and Aiken Technical College have caused this Agreement to be duly executed and agree to be bound thereby.

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## ADDENDUM 1: Course Transfer Articulations

	ATC Courses	LU Courses	Notes
<b>GENERAL EDUCATION</b>			
<b>Core Academic Skills</b>			
	ENG 101	ENGL 101	
	ENG 102	ENGL 102	
	MAT 120	MATH 211	<i>This is a required course at LU and could be taken at ATC.</i>
<b>Humanities &amp; Fine Arts</b>			
	SPC 205 or SPC 209	SPCH 101	
	PHI 110 or a Humanities/ Fine Arts elective	PHIL 1xx or a Humanities/ Fine Arts elective	<i>Other options beyond PHI 110 are ART 101, 105, 108; MUS 105; PHI 101, 110, 115; REL 103; THE 101; HIS 101, 102, 201, 202. LU will accept any of these courses for this category.</i>
<b>Behavioral &amp; Social Perspectives</b>			
	SOC 101	SOCI 101	<i>SOCI 101 is required by LU.</i>
	PSY 201	PSYC 101	<i>PSYC 101 is not required, but fulfills a course in this category. Alternatively, HIS 101, 102, 201, or 202 course can count here.</i>
<b>Scientific &amp; Mathematical Reasoning</b>			
	Any 4 hr. lab science	Lab science course	<i>Any 4 hr. lab science course taken at ATC will be accepted to meet LU's Gen-Ed curriculum.</i>
	MAT 110 or higher	MATH 1xx	<i>ATC's MAT 110 or higher will be accepted as a MATH course to meet this category. (Alternatively, students could take a non-lab science course for these 3 credit hours.)</i>
<b>Founding Documents of the United States</b>			
	PSC 201	POLS 101	<i>This is required at LU, so it would be best if taken at ATC.</i>
<b>World Cultures</b>			
	FRE 101, SPA 101, or REL 103	FREN 101, SPAN 101, or RELI 1xx	<i>If FRE 101, SPA 101, or REL 103 were taken at ATC, one course would count for this LU category. More non language options are available at LU.</i>
<b>Leadership, Involvement, Networking, and Knowledge</b>			
			<i>LINK 101 is waived if 24 hours of credit or more are transferred into LU. COL 103 would be counted as an Additional Elective at LU.</i>
<b>MAJOR PROGRAM CORE REQUIREMENTS</b>			
	CRJ 101	CRIM 101	
	CRJ 242	CRIM 210	
<b>MAJOR PROGRAM ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS</b>			
	CRJ 224	CRIM 250	
	CRJ 230	CRIM 2xx	<i>If a student had not taken this course, LU is willing to count CRJ 235, 239, or 246 or SOCI 210 in its place as CRIM 2xx.</i>
<b>ADDITIONAL ELECTIVES</b>			
	CPT 101	CIS 101	
	CRJ 110	CRIM 1xx	
	CRJ 115	CRIM 1xx	

	CRJ 120	POLS 1xx	
	CRJ 125	CRIM 1xx	
	CRJ 130	CRIM 1xx	
	CRJ 100-level courses	CRIM 1xx	<i>Any other CRJ 100-level classes at ATC will be labeled as CRIM 1xx at LU unless otherwise noted on this document or in SCTRAC.</i>
	CRJ 202	CRIM 2xx	
	CRJ 218	HUS 2xx	
	CRJ 235	CRIM 2xx	
	CRJ 239	POLS 250	<i>This course can count toward LU's Minor in Homeland Security.</i>
	CRJ 246	CRIM 2xx	
	CRJ 200-level courses	CRIM 2xx	<i>Any other CRJ 200-level classes at ATC will be labeled as CRIM 1xx at LU unless otherwise noted on this document or in SCTRAC.</i>
	PSC 215	POLS 2xx	
	SOC 210	CRIM 2xx	
33 hrs. of coursework or less is in this category and includes any remaining coursework not counted above, and any other ATC courses not counted or labeled above up to the maximum of 64 hrs. of transfer credit.			
<b>NOTES:</b> All courses listed above are labeled in the SCTRAC system, <a href="http://www.sctrac.org">www.sctrac.org</a> .			

### Overall Hours Breakdown

	Credit hours taken at ATC	Additional hours to be taken at LU
General Education	31 hrs.	3 hrs. for World Cultures course; LINK 101 waived
Program Requirements	12 hrs.	21 hrs.
Additional Electives	21 hrs.	32 hrs.
Totals	<b>64 hrs.</b>	<b>56 hrs.</b>

**NOTE:** ATC's transfer-oriented curriculum consists of 68 hrs., but only 64 hrs. can be transferred to LU given SACSCOC rules.

### Easing transferability from ATC to LU:

- 1) The above table is based upon the curriculum for the A.A. in Criminal Justice Transfer. However, it also covers ATC's A.A.S. in Criminal Justice with these course articulations.
- 2) Students who do not take FRE 101, SPA 101, or REL 103 at ATC will fulfill the World Cultures category at LU.
- 3) It is best if ATC students take MAT 120, SOC 101, and PSC 201 since all are required courses by LU. In all other Gen-Ed categories—2 courses within Humanities & Fine Arts, 2 courses within Scientific & Mathematical Reasoning (only one lab science course is required by LU), and 1 course other than SOCI 101 within Behavioral & Social Perspectives—students have choices.
- 4) LU will accept any 4 hr. lab science course from ATC. If a student completed the A.A.S. with 60 hrs. and choose to take a lab science at ATC, s/he could transfer a total of 64 hrs. to LU.
- 5) Other Gen-Ed or Major program course options are listed in the table above for ease of transferability.

**Note:** Some course options noted here showcase how students who pursued other AA or AS degrees at ATC may be attracted to LU degree programs.

## ADDENDUM 2: A.A. Criminal Justice Transfer to B.S. in Criminology, Lander University

### General Education

34 hrs.

#### Core Academic Skills

9 hrs

ENG 101 English Composition I	3	<i>required course</i>
ENG 102 English Composition II	3	<i>required course</i>
MAT 120 Probability and Statistics	3	<i>required course</i>

#### Humanities & Fine Arts

6 hrs

**Select any TWO courses from the following:**

SPC 205 Public Speaking	3
SPC 209 Interpersonal Communications	3
ART 101 Art History and Appreciation	3
ART 105 Film as Art	3
ART 108 History of Western Art	3
MUS 105 Music Appreciation	3
PHI 101 Introduction to Philosophy	3
PHI 110 Ethics	3
PHI 115 Contemporary Moral Issues	3
REL 103 Comparative Religion	3
THE 101 Introduction to Theatre	3
HIS 101 Western Civilization I	3
HIS 102 Western Civilization II	3
HIS 201 US History to 1877	3
HIS 202 US History since 1877	3

#### Scientific & Mathematical Reasoning

7 hrs

**Select any TWO courses, one of which is a lab science, from the following:**

MAT 110 College Algebra	3
MAT 122 Finite College Math	3
BIO 101 Biological Science I	4
BIO 102 Biological Science II	4
CHM 110 College Chemistry I	4
CHM 111 College Chemistry II	4
PHY 201 Physics I	4
PHY 202 Physics II	4

#### Behavioral & Social Perspectives

6 hrs

SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology	3	<i>required course</i>
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**Select ONE course from the following:**

PSY 201 General Psychology	3	
PHI 115 Contemporary Moral Issues	3	<i>counts here or in Humanities &amp; Fine Arts</i>
HIS 101 Western Civilization I	3	<i>counts here or in Humanities &amp; Fine Arts</i>
HIS 102 Western Civilization II	3	<i>counts here or in Humanities &amp; Fine Arts</i>
HIS 201 US History to 1877	3	<i>counts here or in Humanities &amp; Fine Arts</i>
HIS 202 US History since 1877	3	<i>counts here or in Humanities &amp; Fine Arts</i>

#### Founding Documents of the United States

3 hrs

PSC 201 American Government	3	<i>required course</i>
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**World Cultures** 3 hrs

**Select ONE course from the following:**

SPA 101 Beginning Spanish	4	<i>Lander offers other non-language courses in this category.</i>
FRE 101 Elementary French	4	
REL 103 Comparative Religion	3	

**Total:** 31 hrs. completed under ATC's transfer-oriented curriculum.  
34 hrs. completed if a World Cultures course is taken at ATC.

**Major Requirements** 27 hrs.

**Core Requirements**

CPT 101 Intro to Computers	3	
CRJ 101 Intro to Criminal Justice	3	<i>Major Core Requirement at Lander</i>
CRJ 125 Criminology	3	
CRJ 224 Police Community Relations	3	<i>Major Program Additional Requirement at Lander</i>

**Select FIVE courses from the following:**

CRJ 120 Constitutional Law	3	
CRJ 202 Criminalistics	3	
CRJ 230 Criminal Investigations I	3	<i>Major Program Additional Requirement at Lander</i>
CRJ 239 Terrorism & Homeland Security	3	<i>course counts toward Minor in Homeland Security at Lander</i>
CRJ 242 Correctional Systems	3	<i>Major Core Requirement at Lander</i>
CRJ 250 Criminal Justice Internship I	3	
SOC 210 Juvenile Delinquency	3	

*CPT 101 and remaining CRJ courses not marked as core or additional requirements within the Criminology major would be a part of Additional Electives at Lander University.*

**Total Required** 31 + 27 = 58 hrs. (Lander can take up to 64 hrs.)

***This means that there is an incentive for students to complete the World Cultures at ATC.***



## **ADDENDUM 3: Statement of Intent**

### **Statement of Intent**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a student at Aiken Technical College, intend to earn an Associate of Applied Science degree in Criminal Justice Technology at Aiken Technical College and transfer to Lander University to earn my Bachelor of Science in Criminology. I have read the criteria and reviewed the list of required coursework and acceptable courses from the SC technical colleges. I understand that I will be responsible for tuition and fees at both institutions and must comply with policies in effect at the time of my matriculation. I agree to seek clarification from an advisor or Bridge Program Coordinator at Aiken Technical College or from Lander University if needed. The Lander College of Behavioral & Social Sciences phone number is 864-388-8176.

I expect to graduate with my Associate of Applied Science degree in \_\_\_\_\_.

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty/Staff Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Note: copy to be sent to:

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Department of Government, Criminology, & Sociology  
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# Articulation Agreement for CRIM with Aiken Tech and Lander


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