

## **ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

Saint Joseph's College of Maine

and

Nashville State Community College

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Articulation Agreement

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**THIS ARTICULATION AGREEMENT** (the “Agreement”) is entered into by and between Saint Joseph’s College of Maine (“Transfer School”) and Nashville State Community College (“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: A.A. Religious Studies to B.A. Theological Studies.

Attachment A/B “Program of Study” outlines the equivalent transfer courses at Transfer School for courses taken at Institution and the courses and credits that must be taken and earned at Transfer School in order to meet Transfer School’s graduation requirements for this program of study.

- 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"), until terminated in writing by either party or until the completion of three 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:

Address: 278 Whites Bridge Road  
Standish, ME 04084  
Attention: Academic Affairs

For Institution

Address: 120 White Bridge Road  
Nashville, TN, 37209  
Attention: Dr. Sarah Roberts

- 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.

*[Signature Page Follows]*

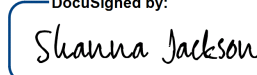
In Witness Whereof, the parties have by their duly authorized representatives set their signatures.

**Saint Joseph's College of Maine**

Signed by:  
  
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Dr. Dale Brooker, Associate Dean

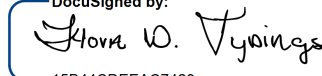
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**Nashville State Community College**

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**Approved: Tennessee Board of Regents**

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# Attachment A & B

| Degree Map                                              |  |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--|
| Nashville State Community College: AA Religious Studies |  |
| St Joseph's College of Maine: BA Theological Studies    |  |

| Course                                             | Cr. Hrs. |                        | Course                                                                             | Cr. Hrs. |
|----------------------------------------------------|----------|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| FIRST YEAR - Nashville State Community College     |          |                        |                                                                                    |          |
| Nashville State Class                              |          | Total Credit Hours: 30 | Transfer equivalent:                                                               |          |
|                                                    |          |                        | Total Credit Hours:                                                                |          |
| NSCC 1010 First Year Experience                    | 1        |                        | First Year Experience/ General Elective Credit (Transfer from Lab Science Courses) | 3        |
| Gen Ed Humanities/Fine Arts Elective               | 3        |                        | Art/Eng/Humanities/Prof. Devel                                                     | 3        |
| Gen Ed lab Science                                 | 4        |                        | Natural Science                                                                    | 3        |
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| PHIL 2430 - Philosophy of Religion                 | 3        |                        | Philosophy Elective                                                                | 3        |
| Gen Ed History                                     | 3        |                        | History Elective                                                                   | 3        |
| Gen Ed Humanities/Fine Arts Elective               | 3        |                        | Art/Eng/Humanities/Prof. Devel                                                     | 3        |
| Gen Ed Communication: ENGL 1010 English Comp I     | 3        |                        | English Composition I                                                              | 3        |
| Gen Ed Communication: ENGL 1020 English Comp II    | 3        |                        | English Composition II                                                             | 3        |
| Gen Ed Social/Behavioral Science                   | 3        |                        | Soc/Behav Sci                                                                      | 3        |
| Course                                             | Cr. Hrs. |                        | Course                                                                             | Cr. Hrs. |
| SOPHOMORE YEAR - Nashville State Community College |          |                        |                                                                                    |          |
| Nashville State Class                              |          | Total Credit Hours: 30 | Transfer equivalent:                                                               |          |
|                                                    |          |                        | Total Credit Hours:                                                                |          |
| Foreign Language sequence 1                        | 3        |                        | General Elective                                                                   | 3        |
| Gen Ed History                                     | 3        |                        | General Elective                                                                   | 3        |
| Gen Ed Math                                        | 3        |                        | Mathematics                                                                        | 3        |
| Gen Ed Humanities - Literature                     | 3        |                        | Art/Eng/Humanities/Prof. Devel                                                     | 3        |
| Foreign Language sequence 2                        | 3        |                        | General Elective                                                                   | 3        |
| PHIL 2200 - World Religions                        | 3        |                        | Theology Elective                                                                  | 3        |
| General elective                                   | 3        |                        | General Elective                                                                   | 3        |
| General elective                                   | 3        |                        | General Elective                                                                   | 3        |
| COMM 2025 Fundamentals of Communication            | 3        |                        | Nat. or Soc/Behav Sci                                                              | 3        |
| Gen Ed Social/Behavioral Science                   | 3        |                        | Soc/Behav Sci                                                                      | 3        |

| Remaining Courses at SJC: Major Core (24 Credits) |                                   |     |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|
| TH 101                                            | Catholic Doctrine & Theology      | 3   |
| TH 102                                            | Intro to the New Testament        | 3   |
| TH 104                                            | Intro to the Old Testament        | 3   |
| TH 220                                            | Fund of Catholic Moral Theology   | 3   |
| TH 226                                            | The Sacraments                    | 3   |
| TH 318                                            | Theology of the Church            | 3   |
| TH 330                                            | Fundamentals of Chistology        | 3   |
| TH 335                                            | Intro to Catholic Social Teaching | 3   |
| Remaining Courses: Electives                      |                                   |     |
|                                                   | Theology Electives                | 15  |
|                                                   | General Electives                 | 21  |
|                                                   | Total Credits Remaining           | 60  |
|                                                   | Total Credits Required            | 120 |