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**Appendix B: Curriculum Plan for Undergraduate Articulation Agreement**  
**Western Piedmont Community College**  
**Early Childhood Associate**  
**and**  
**Western Carolina University**  
**Bachelor of Science in Birth-Kindergarten**

This articulation agreement between Western Piedmont Community College and Western Carolina University allows graduates of the Early Childhood Associates program at Western Piedmont Community College to transfer credit towards the Bachelor of Science in Birth-Kindergarten Program, Early Childhood Concentration at Western Carolina University. Upon transfer to Western Carolina University, students from Western Piedmont Community College must comply with all applicable Academic Regulations as listed in *The Record*, The WCU Undergraduate Catalog.

**Partner Institutions and Contact Information**

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**Notes:**

1. Students who complete the General Education Core, the Associate of Arts degree, or the Associate of Science degree will have their Liberal Studies requirements at Western Carolina University waived. (*The 44 hour core is recommended for easy transfer*).
2. If the above statement does not apply and 15.1 or more semester hours are transferred into WCU the first semester, the First Year Seminar is not required at WCU.
3. If Liberal Studies requirements are not waived at WCU then students must take a course that has been approved as an Upper Level Perspectives course (300-400) in one of the Perspectives categories.

**Liberal Studies/General Education Requirements: All courses in this grid can be substituted.**

WCU Requirement	Partner Institution Equivalent
1 <sup>st</sup> year Seminar (see note #2 above)	Waived
C1 Writing (ENGL 101), 3CR	ENG 111
C1 Writing (ENGL 202), 3 CR	ENG 114
C2 Mathematics (MATH 101), 3CR	MAT 140/A
C3 Oral Communications, 3CR	Not part of AAS degree, but will need COM 110
C4 Wellness, 3CR	Not part of AAS degree, but will need HEA 110
C5 Physical and Biological Sciences, 3CR Students must complete two courses from different disciplines to satisfy the C5 requirement	(The Liberal Studies science requirement can be satisfied with any 100-200 science from AST, BIOL, CHEM, ENVH, GEOL, NRM or PHYS (with the exception of BIOL 132 and CHEM 241).

P1 Social Sciences (PSY 150), 3CR A second P1 course is required which may be any approved course except PSY.	PSY 150
P3 History	100-200 levels equivalents may be found at this link: <a href="http://www.wcu.edu/academics/campus-academic-resources/registrars-office/credits-earned-elsewhere/unc-and-nccc-articulation-agreement/wcu-liberal-studies-equivalencies-at-nc-community-colleges.asp">http://www.wcu.edu/academics/campus-academic-resources/registrars-office/credits-earned-elsewhere/unc-and-nccc-articulation-agreement/wcu-liberal-studies-equivalencies-at-nc-community-colleges.asp</a>
P4 Humanities	
P5 Fine and Performing Arts	
P6 World Cultures	
Upper Level Perspective An upper level perspective course must be taken at WCU unless liberal studies is waived. Any perspective category may be used.	WCU 300-400 level courses may be found at this link. <a href="http://www.wcu.edu/academics/campus-academic-resources/registrars-office/credits-earned-elsewhere/unc-and-nccc-articulation-agreement/wcu-liberal-studies-equivalencies-at-nc-community-colleges.asp">http://www.wcu.edu/academics/campus-academic-resources/registrars-office/credits-earned-elsewhere/unc-and-nccc-articulation-agreement/wcu-liberal-studies-equivalencies-at-nc-community-colleges.asp</a> Example: If you take a history at the 300 or 400 level it counts for your P3 history as well as your ULP.

Major BK Requirements, Early Childhood Concentration (courses)

WCU Requirement	Partner Institution Equivalent
BK 250 Introduction to Birth-Kindergarten (3 hrs.)	NA
BK 260 Foundations of Child Study (3 hrs.)	NA
BK 315 Literacy (3 hrs.)	NA
BK 361 Environments for Young Children (3 hrs.)	NA
BK 363 or PSY 320 Child Development (3 hrs.)	EDU 144 & 145 or PSY 244 & 245
BK 462 Parent-Child Interactions (3hrs.)	EDU 146
BK 470 Early Childhood Curriculum (3 hrs.)	EDU 259 or EDU 251
BKSE 345 Adaptations and Modifications for Young Children with Special Needs (3 hrs.)	NA
SPED 240 Intro. to Special Needs (3 hrs.)	EDU 221
BKSE 415 Assessment & Intervention of Social Emotional Skills (3 hrs.)	NA
BK 366 Infant-Toddler Curriculum (3 hrs.)	EDU 234
BK 414 Childhood Administration (3 hrs.)	NA
BKSE 314 Assessment of Young Children (3 hrs.)	NA
BKSE 411 Family Planning (3 hrs.)	NA

BK 457 Action Research I(9 hrs.)	NA
BK 458 Action Research II (9 hrs.)	NA
Other requirements needed to complete the degree program.	
EDU 131, 3 hrs; EDU 271, 3 hrs; EDU 153, 3 hrs; EDU 280, 3 hrs; EDU 151, 3 hrs.	
Highlighted courses may be taken at the community college.	

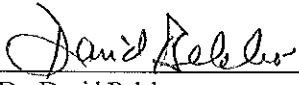
<p>1<sup>st</sup> Semester WCU (Fall)</p> <p>BK 250- Intro. to BK</p> <p>BK 361- Environments for Young Children</p> <p>BKSE 411 – Collaborative Planning</p> <p>BKSE 415- Intervention and Assessment of Social Emotional Competencies</p> <p>SPED 240- The Exceptional Child</p> <p>PSY 320 – Child Development</p>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Semester WCU (Spring)</p> <p>BK 250- Intro. to BK</p> <p>BK 260 - Foundations of Child Study</p> <p>BK 315 - Literacy</p> <p>BK 414 – Agency/Child Care Management</p> <p>BKSE 345 – Adaptations and Modifications</p> <p>BKSE 314 – Observational Assessment and Screening of Young Children (3)</p> <p>SPED 240-The Exceptional Child</p>
<p>3<sup>rd</sup> Semester WCU (Summer)</p> <p>BK 361- Environments for Young Children</p> <p>BK 366 – Infant Development and Curriculum (offered every other summer)</p> <p>BK 363/PSY 320-Child Development</p> <p>BK 462- Adult- Child Interaction (offered every other summer)</p> <p>BK 470 Preschool Curriculum</p> <p>BKSE 345 – Adaptations and Modifications</p> <p>BKSE 415- Intervention and Assessment of Social Emotional Competencies</p>	<p>4<sup>th</sup> Semester WCU (Fall)</p> <p>BK 250- Intro. to BK</p> <p>BK 361- Environments for Young Children</p> <p>BKSE 411 – Collaborative Planning</p> <p>BKSE 415- Intervention and Assessment of Social Emotional Competencies</p> <p>SPED 240- The Exceptional Child</p> <p>PSY 320 – Child Development</p>
<p>5<sup>th</sup> Semester WCU (Spring)</p> <p>BK 250- Intro. to BK</p> <p>BK 260 - Foundations of Child Study</p> <p>BK 315 - Literacy</p> <p>BK 414 – Agency/Child Care Management</p> <p>BKSE 345 – Adaptations and Modifications</p> <p>BKSE 314 – Observational Assessment and Screening of Young Children (3)</p> <p>SPED 240-The Exceptional Child</p> <p>BKSE 457 Action Research I</p>	<p>6<sup>th</sup> Semester WCU (Summer)</p> <p>BK 361- Environments for Young Children</p> <p>BK 366 – Infant Development and Curriculum (offered every other summer)</p> <p>BK 363/PSY 320-Child Development</p> <p>BK 462- Adult- Child Interaction (offered every other summer)</p> <p>BK 470 Preschool Curriculum</p> <p>BKSE 345 – Adaptations and Modifications</p> <p>BKSE 415- Intervention and Assessment of Social Emotional Competencies</p>
<p>7<sup>th</sup> Semester WCU (Fall)</p> <p>BK 250- Intro. to BK</p> <p>BK 361- Environments for Young Children</p> <p>BKSE 411 – Collaborative Planning</p> <p>BKSE 415- Intervention and Assessment of Social Emotional Competencies</p> <p>SPED 240- The Exceptional Child</p> <p>PSY 320 – Child Development</p> <p>BK 457 Action Research I</p> <p>BK 458 Action Research II</p>	<p>Students entering the BK Program at WCU will finish their degree according to the number of courses that they take each semester. BK 457, BK 458 are capstone courses and are taken at the end of a student's course work.</p>

**Articulation Agreement between Western Piedmont Community College (WPCC) and Western Carolina University (WCU) for transfer of credit from the A.A.S. Early Childhood Associate degree at WPCC into the Bachelors of Science in Birth-Kindergarten, Early Childhood Concentration degree at WCU.**

- A. WPCC students will be admitted as candidates for the articulation program in Birth Kindergarten at WCU upon the completion of the A.A.S. Early Childhood Associate at WPCC.
- B. To graduate from WCU with The Bachelor of Science degree in Birth Kindergarten all students must complete the degree requirements per academic regulations listed in *The Record*, the WCU Undergraduate Catalog.
- C. Students wishing to graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in Birth Kindergarten must meet all residency requirements for graduation from WCU, which includes completion of the last 25% of course work to be taken at WCU.
- D. This agreement will run continually without need for renewal. Updates to the agreement will be initiated and processed every two years. The update process will be completed as follows: copies of this agreement will be distributed to deans and department heads by February 1 of each update year. Updates or "no change" approvals to this agreement should be returned by March 15. If curriculum changes are identified by either institution during the review process, parties from both institutions will review and approve the proposed changes and make necessary updates to the course equivalency outline.
- E. Either party upon written notice can terminate this agreement. If the agreement is terminated, WPCC students who have matriculated at WCU can continue until completion of the baccalaureate degree if they are continuously enrolled at Western. Also, students who are enrolled at WPCC students at the time may continue under the terms of the agreement as long as they are continuously enrolled. If the student ceases enrollment for two regular academic semesters, he/she must re-enroll under the most recently adopted agreement.

**Western Carolina University**

**Western Piedmont Community College**

 16 Dec. 13  
Date  
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Date  
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President

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Interim Provost

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