

**ARTICULATION AGREEMENT***between***EVERETT COMMUNITY COLLEGE***Associate in Applied Science-Transfer in Information Technology**and***Bellevue College***Bachelor of Applied Science in Cybersecurity*

This Articulation Agreement (“Agreement”) is subscribed to by **Bellevue College** (here after referred to as “**BC**”) and **Everett Community College** (here after referred to as “**ECC**”) for the purpose of establishing a credit transfer protocol for students completing an Associate in Applied Science-Transfer (AAS-T) in Information Technology at **ECC**, who also desire to complete the Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree in Cybersecurity at **BC**.

**BC** and **ECC** hereby establish this Articulation Agreement to provide a path to the Bellevue College Bachelor of Applied Science in Cybersecurity.

**I. INTRODUCTION**

This Agreement establishes a path to a BAS degree at **BC** in Cybersecurity for **ECC** students who successfully complete the articulation path listed below. **BC** course agreements (outlined below) ensure the **ECC** transfer student will matriculate at junior standing.

**II. TRANSFER OF CREDITS**

EvCC General Ed Courses			BC General Ed Equivalents		
Course #	Title	Cr	Course #	Title	Cr
ENGL& 101	English Composition I	5	ENGL& 101	English Composition I	5
ENGL& 230 or ENGL& 235	Technical Writing	3-5	ENGL& 235	Technical Writing	3-5
Natural Science	Choose a lab Science from DTA distribution	5	Natural Science	Natural Science from AAS-DTA transfer list	5-6
MATH& 141	Precalculus I: College Algebra	5	MATH& 141	Precalculus I: College Algebra	5
Humanities	Choose humanities from DTA Distribution	5	Humanities	Humanities	5
EvCC Technical Courses			BC Technical Equivalents		
CS& 131	C++	5	CS 210	Fundamentals of Computer Science I	5
IT 111	Networking 1	5	IT 103	Networking Basics	5
IT 112	Networking 2	5	IT 211	Networking I	5
IT 113	Networking 3	5	IT 212	Networking II	5
IT 161	Computing Hardware and Technology	5	IT 115	PC Analysis and Configuration I	5

IT 162	Computing and Troubleshooting	5	IT 117	PC Analysis and Configuration II	5
IT 180	Information Security	5	IT 128	Information Security Essentials	5
IT 213	Networking 4	5	IT 213	Networking III	5
IT 240	Introduction to Linux	5	IT 223	Using and Supporting Linux	5
IT 251	Computer Careers Internship	2	IT 293	Technical Support Internship	2
IT 261	Introduction to Cloud	5	IT 231	Introduction to Cloud Architecture and Services	5
STEM 103	Introductory Scripting with Python	3 or 5	DEV 108	Introduction to Python Programming	3-5
IT 175	Assessing and Securing Industrial Control Systems	5	IT 900	Will be used to substitute and fulfill 5 credits elective prerequisite	5
EvCC Other AAS-T Requirements			No Direct BC Equivalent		
COLL 101/STEM 101	Success in Stem/Intro to Programming	2	No Direct BC Equivalent		
Social Science	Choose social science from DTA distribution	5	If 200 level, then it can be used to satisfy the 200-level Social Science course from AAS-DTA transfer list requirement		5
<b>TOTAL CREDITS TO BE APPLIED</b>					<b>75-90</b>

**Bolded courses:** Are NOT program prerequisites but can be used to fulfill **15 Elective Credit** requirement as a part of the BAS degree.

**Note:** Credit amount completed at **ECC** is the amount of credit that will be transferred to **BC**. Including completion of pathway courses, transfer students will need to complete an additional 90-105 credits to attain BAS Cybersecurity degree at **BC**.

This agreement allows the **ECC** student who obtained an AAS-T in Information Technology and completed the remaining outlined pathway coursework from **ECC** or another institution to apply 75-90 credits towards the BAS in Cybersecurity at **BC**.

### III. ARTICULATION CRITERIA

1. Participation of **ECC** students under the articulation protocol established in this Agreement will be permitted in compliance with applicable federal, state, and local nondiscrimination laws and regulations. Any **ECC** student will be admitted to **BC** with junior standing in the BAS in Cybersecurity subject to the following terms and conditions:
  - a) The **ECC** student must fulfill all requirements prescribed herein related to completing an AAS-T in Information Technology and additional prerequisite course requirements.
  - b) The **ECC** student must have completed his/her work at **ECC** in good academic, behavioral and financial standing.
  - c) Only courses in which the **ECC** student earned a grade of "C" or higher, or which were completed with a "S" on an approved pass/fail system, and which were applicable toward the BAS in Cybersecurity at **BC** will be accepted. "S" grade needs to have a listed equivalence to a 2.0 or higher to be accepted. The courses must also have been completed within the last three (3) years. If they were completed before then, please consult the program manager from **BC's** School of Business and Technology.

- d) **BC** reserves the right to deny admission to any applicant who poses an undue risk of harm to others or the property of **BC** or others, who submits false or misleading credentials or application materials, who is not competent to profit from the program, or whose presence or conduct would create a disruptive atmosphere within the college that is not consistent with the college's purposes.
- e) **BC** reserves the right to deny the granting of credit for courses completed, continued matriculation, and to rescind certificates, credits or degrees already earned with respect to any person found in violation of **BC**'s student conduct code and/or provisions of the **BC** program handbook, or otherwise determined to be ineligible for participation in the **BC** program of study.

#### **IV. ADMISSIONS**

- a. Any **ECC** students who complete the articulated program at **ECC** must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or greater than 2.0. All students must fill out the BAS application by the prescribed deadline to be reviewed for admission. Additional **ECC** students who are eligible may be granted acceptance on a space-available basis after the application deadline.
- b. **ECC** students must complete at least 45 credits in residence at **BC** to be granted the BAS degree in Cybersecurity. (See attached addendum for list of required **BC** courses).

#### **Student Rights and Responsibilities**

1. Each admitted **ECC** student will be afforded all of the rights and privileges offered to all accepted students at **BC** as established in the official policies and procedures of **BC** as they may be amended from time to time, including without limitation, participation in the financial aid programs, student counseling and advising and other student services.
2. Except with respect to the articulation protocol established in the Agreement, **ECC** students must comply with and will be bound by the standards and regulations of **BC** in effect at the time of their application for admission to **BC**.
3. This Agreement is not intended to and shall not be so construed as to create any independent rights in any students of **ECC** nor include **ECC** students as parties hereto.

#### **V. PROVISIONS**

Since **ECC** and **BC** are both accredited institutions of higher education and generally accept, for transfer purposes, credits earned by students at the other institution and desire to establish a designated protocol to facilitate the transfer of students into the BAS in Cyber Security at **BC**, the parties jointly subscribe to the following provisions:

#### **ECC AGREES TO:**

1. Promote the opportunity for **ECC** students to transfer to **BC** to students who express an interest in IT and Cyber Security and to students who were initially referred to **ECC** by **BC**.
2. Coordinate with **BC**'s Program Manager(s) to conduct class visits and host information sessions on a quarterly basis.

3. Provide each student enrolled in its certificate and degree programs with advisors, counselors or coaches who will advise them of the articulation protocol established under this Agreement.
4. Provide **BC** with contact information released by the student so that **BC** may actively recruit those students.
5. Invite faculty liaison, or their designee, as a non-voting member to Advisory Committee Board Meetings, Program Meetings or other significant academic/industry events.

**BC AGREES TO:**

1. Authorize **ECC** to identify **BC** as an institutional partner on the **ECC** website and in print publications. **BC** also authorizes **ECC** to use its logo on the **ECC** website and in print publications as pertains to this agreement.
2. Provide written material to **ECC** for ongoing dissemination of information to students who express interest in transfer to the BAS in Cybersecurity at **BC**.
3. To the extent permissible under federal and state law, including the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), establish a mechanism to provide information on the academic progress of the **ECC** students enrolled as a result of this Agreement, including but not limited to statistical data compiled from non-specific student information.

**BOTH COLLEGES AGREE TO:**

1. Designate an individual to serve as liaison for the purposes of implementing this Agreement. Such person shall have the authority to administer the interests of the party she/he represents in pursuit of the terms and provisions hereof. Both institutions will encourage and maintain a high degree of cooperation between their staff members in the implementation of the terms and provisions of this Agreement.
2. Notify other party if designated liaison's faculty or staff position is changed, renounced, or terminated.
3. Meet a minimum of once a year to revise or discuss the Articulation Agreement.
4. Review and revise the Agreement annually or when related curriculum changes are made at either institution or at the request of either party as deemed appropriate for the improvement of the transfer process and student articulation.
5. Reserve the right to request and review in advance any information disseminated to the public or students about the articulation protocols established herein or that identifies the relationship between the parties hereunder.
6. Communicate the conditions of this Agreement to their respective stakeholders, external and internal.
7. Maintain their respective individual accreditation with the understanding that this Agreement shall be binding only so long as accreditation is maintained by both parties.
8. Recognize that they are bound to comply with FERPA, as it may be amended from time to time, in the handling of educational records of students enrolled in their institutions.

## VI. TERMS

Implementation and interpretation of this Agreement will be consistent with applicable and mandatory policies and procedures established by the appropriate accreditation bodies, the United States Department of Education, and other agencies that have jurisdiction over the operation of either institution. To the extent any provision of this Agreement is inconsistent with Washington law, or applicable rules or regulations, including rules or regulations from the U.S. Department of Education or the Washington Student Achievement Council, this Agreement will be considered null and void.

This Agreement may be amended by mutual Agreement of the Parties. Such amendments shall not be binding unless they are in writing and signed by personnel authorized to bind each of the Parties as listed below.

When there is a substantial change in statutes or regulations that interfere with the Parties' ability to comply with this Agreement, the Parties will negotiate in good faith an amendment to this Agreement.

All notices concerning this Agreement and understanding will be considered to have been given at the time of receipt of notice by the other Party.

1. *Notices to Everett Community College:*

**Ryan A. Masinelli**  
IT Program Faculty and Department Chair  
Everett Community College

2. *Notices to Bellevue College:*

**Rebecca Cory**  
Dean of Instruction  
Bellevue College

**Rod Pascual**  
Program Manager, AAS-T Information Technology & BAS Cybersecurity  
Bellevue College

This Agreement shall be effective upon execution by both parties and shall continue for three (3) years or until either party gives the other party a two (2) quarter advance written notice of withdrawal from this Agreement. However, in the event that this Agreement is terminated, **BC** commits that **ECC** students who are at any stage of their Degree studies and who have been pre-admitted to **BC** shall be entitled to pursue completion of the BAS in Cybersecurity at **BC** under the articulation protocols established herein unless prohibited by applicable law, rules, or regulations.

**Indemnification and Insurance**

The Parties agree to defend, indemnify, and hold each other harmless from and against any loss, claim, or damage, including without limitation the cost from any reasonable attorneys' fees and/or litigation, to the extent it arises or is alleged to arise from the negligent acts or omissions of their respective officers, employees, students or agents in the performance of their duties under this agreement. The Parties agree to provide each other proof of insurance upon request.

**Governing Law, Dispute Resolution, Indemnification and Insurance**

This agreement shall be governed by, construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington, without regard to conflict of law principles. In the event that a dispute arises under this Agreement, it shall be determined by a Dispute Board in the following manner: Each party to this Agreement shall appoint one member to the Dispute Board. The members so appointed shall jointly appoint an additional member to the Dispute Board. The Dispute Board shall review the facts, Agreement terms, applicable statutes and rules, and make a determination of the dispute. The determination of the Dispute Board shall be final and binding on both parties.

**Independence of the Parties**

The Parties are independent contractors. Nothing contained in this Agreement will constitute either Party the agent, partner, or legal representative of the other Party for any purpose, or constitute the Parties as partners. Neither Party has any power, or authority to create any obligation or responsibility on behalf of the other.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties hereto have executed or approved this Agreement, effective from the date of the last signature entered below.

Entered into this agreement on June 11, 2025.

 07/24/2025

Dr. Jess Clark  
Provost  
Bellevue College

 07/24/2025

Rod Pascual  
Program Manager, AAS-T Information  
Technology & BAS Cybersecurity  
Bellevue College



Dr Cathy Leaker  
Vice President of Instruction  
Everett Community College



Ryan A. Masinelli  
IT Program Faculty & Department Chair  
Everett Community College

<b>PROGRAM PREREQUISITES (20-21 CR)</b>	
<b>Course Name</b>	<b>CR</b>
ENGL& 101 - English Composition I	5 CR
*ENGL 201 - The Research Paper or ENGL& 235 - Technical Writing or ENGL 271 - Expository Writing I	5 CR
*At least five credits must be in physical, biological, and/or Earth sciences from the AAS-DTA Natural Science list. Shall include at least one laboratory course	5-6 CR
*MATH 138 - College Algebra for Business & Social Science or higher <b>5 CR</b>	5 CR
<b>TECHNICAL PREREQUISITES (45 CREDITS)</b>	
<b>Course Name</b>	<b>CR</b>
DEV 108 - Introduction to Python Programming	5 CR
IT 128 - Information Security Essentials	5 CR
IT 211 - Networking I	5 CR
IT 212 - Networking II	5 CR
IT 213 - Networking III	5 CR
IT 223 - Using & Supporting Linux	5 CR
IT 231 - Introduction to Cloud Architecture and Services	5 CR
Select any two courses from the following options below <b>10 CR:</b>	
CS 210 - Fundamentals of Computer Science I	5 CR
CS 211 - Fundamentals of Computer Science II	5 CR
CS 212 - C++ Data Structures	5 CR
DEV 110 - Introduction to C# Programming	5 CR
DEV 111 - Introduction to C++ Programming	5 CR
DEV 113 - Intermediate C++ Programming	5 CR
DEV 120 - Object Oriented Programming with C#	5 CR
DEV 128 - Object Oriented Programming with Python	5 CR
IT 234 - Cloud Infrastructure	5 CR
IT 241 - Cloud Services	5 CR
<b>GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (40-41 CREDITS)</b>	
<b>Course Name</b>	<b>CR</b>
BUS& 101 - Introduction to Business	5 CR
BUS 355 - Business of IT: Legal Regulatory Business Env	5 CR
CMST 340 - Advanced Communication in Business & Technology	5 CR

PHIL& 115 - Critical Thinking	5 CR
PHIL 375 - Ethical Issues in Information Technology	5 CR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Humanities course from the AAS-DTA transfer list 5 CR Any</li> <li>♦ physical, biological, earth sciences or math course from AAS-DTA Natural Science list 5-6 CR</li> <li>♦ Any 200-level Social Science course from AAS-DTA transfer list 5 CR</li> </ul>	
<b>ELECTIVE CREDITS (15 CREDITS)</b>	
Any college-level credits (100-level or above) not used for any other degree requirement.	
<b>BAS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS (60 CREDITS)</b>	
<b>Course Name</b>	<b>CR</b>
DATA 333 - Applied Programming Concepts	5 CR
DEV 300 - Problem Solving Strategies	5 CR
DEV 312 - Project Management for IT	5 CR
SEC 305 - Network Security and Firewalls	5 CR
SEC 350 - Digital Forensics	5 CR
SEC 440 - Linux Tools for Security	5 CR
SEC 444 - Security Automation	5 CR
SEC 450 - Security Vulnerabilities and Countermeasures	5 CR
SEC 454 - System Hardening	5 CR
SEC 460 - DevSecOps	5 CR
SEC 490 - Security Capstone I or EXPRL 490 - Internship Experience <b>5 CR</b>	5 CR
SEC 491 - Security Capstone II or EXPRL 491 - Internship Experience <b>5 CR</b>	5 CR