



Health and Wellness BAS

Articulation Agreement Between Pierce College & Bellevue College

This Articulation Agreement (the “Agreement”) is entered into by and between Bellevue College (hereafter referred to as “**BC**”) and Pierce College (hereafter referred to as “**Pierce**”), each individually a “Party” and collectively the “Parties”. This Agreement shall have an effective date (“Effective Date”) as of the last signature received.

The Parties wish to collaborate in order to facilitate the transfer and degree completion of students earning the AAS-T Healthcare Degree at **Pierce** to the Health & Wellness BAS at **BC**. This Agreement will increase flexibility and educational opportunities for students, allow for the maximum transfer of credit between the schools, aid in a transition from one program to another, and uplift enrollment for **BC** and **Pierce**. The Parties enter into this Agreement in the spirit of cooperation and mutually recognize each other as quality, postsecondary institutions.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1. Transfer Credit.** **Pierce** and **BC** agree to transfer credit using the criteria outlined below:

Pierce College	CR	Bellevue College	CR
Prerequisite courses		Prerequisite courses	
ENGL& 101	5	ENGL& 101	5

Courses meeting 40 credits of health/ wellness/business		Courses meeting 40 credits of health/ wellness/business Some classes may be accepted as substitutions; talk with H&W program manager	
CHEM& 100	5	CHEM&100	5
NUTR& 101: Nutrition (if selected)	5	NUTR& 101	5
PSYC&100	5	PSYC& 100	5
PSYC& 200 (if selected)	5	PSYC& 200	5
BIOL&241	6	BIOL& 241	6
BIOL& 242	6	BIOL& 242	6
HSCI 101 Fundamentals of Healthcare	5	AHE 100 Introduction to Healthcare Careers	5
CHEM& 131	6	CHEM& 131	6
BTECM 150 Medical Terminology	5	AHE 110 Medical Terminology	5
Corequisite Courses		Corequisite Courses	
MATH& 146	5	MATH 130	5
ENG&102 or ENGL&235	5	ENGL 201 or ENGL& 235	5
ANTH&206 (if selected, other okay)	5	5 credits social science	5
CMST 105, CMST& 210 or CMST& 220	5	5 credits humanities	5
BIOL& 160	5	5 credits life science	5
CHEM& 121	5	5 credits natural science with lab	5
Diversity Requirement		Diversity Requirement	
Social science with diversity focus. Any one of: ANTH& 167, ANTH&206, ANTH& 210, ANTH& 216; ANTH 240, GEOG 150, GEOG 160, GEOG 200	5	Any course meeting diversity requirement <i>For a full list of relevant courses, visit BC's "Diversity Degree Requirement" page.</i>	5
13-15 credits transfer as electives			
COLLG 110 or COLLG 115	3-5		
HSCI 220: Introduction to Public Health	5		
BIOL& 260	5		

2. Admission to BC. It is agreed that those students who receive the AAS-T in Healthcare degree at **Pierce** and meet all of the criteria listed below will be accepted, contingent upon completing program requirements at **BC** into the Health and Wellness BAS program. Final admission to **BC** will also be dependent on the **Pierce** student's timely submission of all required application materials, including proof of completed program prerequisites.

3. Participant Criteria. The criteria that shall be met by students seeking to participate in the Agreement are as follows:

- Students must meet all program requirements prior to transfer into the above-mentioned BAS degree. **Pierce** students are eligible upon completion of the AAS-T in Healthcare with a grade point average of 2.0 or higher in all required courses. All prerequisites must attain a grade of 2.0 or C. Students must meet all program requirements prior to transfer into the above mentioned BAS degree. To complete the BAS degree at Bellevue College, students will need a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 for all coursework taken at BC, and all courses applied to the degree, including credits transferred from Pierce or other colleges.
- All students must fill out the suitable **BC** application by the institution's prescribed deadline to be reviewed for admission. Additional **Pierce** students who are eligible may be granted acceptance on a space available basis after the application deadline.
- Students who elect to pursue a different degree program at **BC** will be subject to re-evaluation of transferrable credits and will forfeit any credits not transferrable to **BC** outside of this agreement per standard policies on credit transfer.

4. Pierce's Obligations. **Pierce** agrees to use reasonable efforts to:

- Make promotional materials and information available to its students regarding the Health & Wellness program at **BC**, including flyers, invitations to campus events, application information, and advising contact information.
- Provide opportunities for a representative from **BC** to interact with potential students.

5. BC's Obligations. **BC** agrees to use reasonable efforts to:

- Make promotional materials and information available to Pierce College healthcare AAS-T students regarding the **BAS** program, including flyers, invitations to campus events, application information, and advising contact information.

6. The Parties' Joint Obligations. **Pierce** and **BC** agree to use reasonable efforts to:

- Encourage and maintain a high degree of cooperation between their staff members in the implementation of the terms and provisions of this Agreement. This may include the exchange data and documents in compliance with all FERPA and other privacy guidelines that will contribute to the maintenance and improvement of this articulation agreement and promote effective cooperation between the two institutions.
- Communicate the conditions of this Agreement to their respective stakeholders - external and internal.
- Provide links on their institutional websites indicating the existence of this agreement.
- Undertake a three (3) year evaluation of the partnership supported by this Agreement and use the findings to improve the transfer process for students.
- Maintain their respective individual accreditation with the understanding that this MOU shall be binding only so long as accreditation is maintained by both parties.
- Make reasonable provisions that each respective party gives their approval prior to the publishing and distribution of any written materials by **BC** and/or **Pierce** which specifically references this Agreement or makes any general representation of each other's institution.

7. Review & Termination. The term of this Agreement shall be for **three (3) years**, beginning on the “Effective Date”. The Parties agree to review this Agreement and the program once during this period at a time mutually convenient for the Parties, but aiming for during the 2nd year of this agreement’s term. Notification of revisions to **Pierce’s** current and anticipated course offerings will also be sent to the other college during the above review period. A Letter of Review will be sent between 30 and 60 days prior to contract expiration to ensure both parties can continue to fulfill the terms of this agreement or if contract revisions may be required. This Agreement can be terminated by either party by giving written notice to the other party’s designated representative at least 60 days prior to the commencement of a new academic quarter.

8. Notices. All notices concerning this memorandum of agreement and understanding shall be in writing, and will be considered to have been given at the time of receipt of notice by the other Party.

1. Notices to **Pierce**:

Ronald May

Dean, Health and Technology
Pierce College

2. Notices to **BC**:

Rebecca Cory, PhD

Dean, Curriculum and Assessment (Academic Affairs)
Bellevue College

Tamara Boynton-Howard

Program Chair, Healthcare Promotion and Management
Bellevue College

9. 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 or agents in the performance of their duties under this agreement. The Parties agree to provide each other proof of insurance upon request.

10. 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 right, power, or authority to create any obligation or responsibility on behalf of the other.

The Parties have signed below to indicate their acceptance of the terms of this AGREEMENT.

Signatures:

Robert Viens

Sep 21, 2022

Robert Viens

Date

Chief Academic Officer, Bellevue College

Ron May

Oct 14, 2022

Ronald May

Date

Dean of Health and Technology, Pierce College

Michele Johnson

Oct 17, 2022

Michele L. Johnson, PhD

Date

Chancellor, Pierce College