

[Note: This is a copy of the most recent agreement established February 2001. Signatures are on file. This agreement is currently under review pending any required curriculum changes. For additional information or questions related to this agreement, please contact your transfer counselor at NCC or the Special Education & Rehabilitation department at ESU.]

**PROGRAM-TO-PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
EAST STROUDSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
AND
NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania (ESU) and Northampton Community College (NCC) enter into this agreement in order to facilitate the transfer of students from NCC into ESU, and to support their academic success in baccalaureate degree programs. This specific agreement will be applicable for students who have completed an Associate in Applied Science degree in Special Education: Paraeducator Training at NCC and who wish to transfer into the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation at ESU. This agreement will not be applicable for students entering ESU with limited credits; students transferring without the Associate Degree will have their transcripts evaluated by the department chairperson to determine the transferability of individual courses.

Under the terms of this agreement, students completing their AAS in Special Education: Paraeducator Training will be admitted to the Bachelor of Science with a Special Education major – Instructional I certificate program at East Stroudsburg University on the condition that they:

- Graduate from NCC with a minimum QPA as follows, pursuant to 22 Pennsylvania Code, Ch. 354(#006-264):
For Fall 2001 ESU admission = 2.60
For Fall 2002 ESU admission = 2.80
For Fall 2003 ESU admission = 3.00
- Enroll at East Stroudsburg University within one year of NCC graduation.
- Do not attend another institution of higher education between the time they graduate from NCC and enroll at ESU.
- Complete an “Intent to Enroll at E.S.U.” form by the completion of 30 NCC credits.
- Satisfy all other regular East Stroudsburg University admission requirements.

As this agreement focuses solely on the above AAS transfer into the major program of Special Education, the concentration is on a seamless transfer considering the educational programs, teaching standards, and teacher preparation strategies of the institution which will grant the Bachelor degree (ESU), rather than on individual course by course articulation. In addition, the General Education courses which are part of this agreement fall under the auspices of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Academic Passport.

To facilitate the transfer of NCC graduates to ESU in accordance with the above stipulations, the parties involved agree to the following:

Obligations of East Stroudsburg University:

Upon receiving an Associate in Applied Science degree in Special Education: Paraeducator Training, Northampton students will be transferring a minimum of 55 credit hours into this university. At this point, he/she will be able to major in Special Education and receive credit for the following courses:

General Education Requirements (28 credits)

Northampton course

ENGL101, English I to satisfy 3 credits of
ENGL151, English II to satisfy 3 credits of

CMTH102, Speech Communication, to satisfy
PSYC103, Intro to Psychology, to satisfy
SOCA103, Principles of Sociology, to satisfy
MATH120, Nature of Mathematics, to satisfy
Any lab science to satisfy 4 credits of
Any SOC, PSYCH, GEOG, MATH (140 or higher)
or ENGL elective to satisfy 3 credits in
ARTA 100 to satisfy

ESU course

ENGL103 English Composition
ENGL199 English Language and Literature
Gen. Ed. course

CMST111 Speech Communication
PSY100 Psychology
SOC111 Introduction to Sociology
MATH199 Math Gen. Ed. course
BIOL, CHEM, or PHYS Gen. Ed.

SOC, PSY, GEOG, MATH, or ENGL Gen. Ed.
ART199, Gen. Ed. Fine Arts

Major Education Requirements (27 credits)

The following NCC credits will transfer into the ESU Special Education major:

Northampton course

3 credits - SPED160, Introduction to Special Education
3 credits - EDUC101, Foundations of Education
3 credits - EDUC252, Educational Psychology
3 credits - PSYC251, Child Psychology
3 credits - SPED162, Foundations of Special
Education
3 credits - SPED164, The Paraeducator Professional
3 credits - SPED163, Instructional Strategies for
Children w/ Exceptionalities
3 credits - SPED161, Accommodating Children
w/Exceptionalities
3 credits - SPED166, Assistive Technology for
Children w/ Exceptionalities

ESU course

SPED105, Foundations of Special Education
PSED 161, Foundations of Education
PSED 242, Educational Psychology
ELED132, Child Growth and Development
SPED299, Special Ed Elective*

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SPED215, Instructional Strategies for the
Exceptional Student
SPED 201, Assessment & Evaluation
in Special Education
SPED299, Special Ed Elective*

Note: Northampton Community College students transferring to East Stroudsburg University pursuant to this agreement must provide ESU with verification of fieldwork experiences in order to satisfy ESU's fieldwork requirements. ESU's requirements can be met through fieldwork documentation from either SPED161, Accommodating Children with Exceptionalities, or SPED210, Internship.

* No identical ESU matching course. However, SPED299, Special Ed Elective, will be used as credit towards major requirements.

Obligations of Northampton Community College:

To publicize this Agreement to prospective students in NCC admissions literature and as part of regular student recruitment, and to inform qualified students matriculating at NCC of the opportunity for admission to East Stroudsburg University under the terms of this Agreement.

To advise NCC students regarding which courses will transfer under the Academic Passport for the Science and Humanities electives.

Joint Obligations:

Each institution will designate a representative who will coordinate the Transfer Articulation Agreement between the two institutions.

Both East Stroudsburg University and Northampton Community College will review this Agreement annually and make any changes upon mutual agreement. Each will keep the other informed of any other changes of policy or curricula that affect students transferring under the terms of this Agreement.

Either party may terminate this Agreement by submitting written notification to the other party. Both parties agree, however, that any termination of this Agreement will not affect students already accepted to East Stroudsburg University, but not yet enrolled at ESU, under the terms of this Agreement.

This present Agreement will have an effective date for students completing an Associate in Applied Science degree in Special Education: Paraeducator Training at NCC as of May, 2001, and/or entering ESU beginning August 2001.

This Agreement is governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

The willingness of both institutions to enter into this agreement is indicated by the following signatures:

**For East Stroudsburg University
Of Pennsylvania**

For Northampton Community College

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February 21, 2000

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**COURSE EQUIVALENCY AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
EAST STROUDSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
AND
NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

This document confirms East Stroudsburg University's (ESU) acceptance of the following courses from Northampton Community College (NCC) for students transferring to ESU:

<u>Northampton course</u>	<u>ESU course</u>
SPED160, Introduction to Special Education (3 credits)	SPED105, Foundations of Special Education
SPED162, Foundations of Special Education (3 credits)	SPED299, Special Education Elective*
SPED163, Instructional Strategies for Children w/ Exceptionalities (3 credits)	SPED215, Instructional Strategies for the Exceptional Student
EDUC 255, Education Field Experience (2 credits)	SPED299, Special Education Elective*

* No identical ESU matching course. However, SPED299, Special Education Elective, will be used as credit towards major requirements.

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