Articulation Agreement
Between
South Dakota State University
AND
Avera McKenna d/b/a Avera McKennan School of Radiologic Technology
Agreement with Respect to Applying Radiologic Technology Certificate
Toward the
Associate of Arts Degree in General Studies
OR
Bachelor of General Studies Degree

I. Parties
The parties to this agreement are Avera McKenna d/b/a Avera McKennan School of Radiologic Technology, Sioux Falls, South Dakota and South Dakota State University (SDSU).

II. Purpose
The purpose of this agreement is to:

a. Provide increased educational opportunities for students from South Dakota and the region.

b. Provide students who complete the Avera McKennan Radiologic Technology program an opportunity to earn an Associate of Arts degree in General Studies or a Bachelor of General Studies Degree.

c. Have a signed agreement that addresses the needs of the students in the Avera McKennan Radiologic Technology program to complete an Associate of Arts degree in General Studies or a Bachelor of General Studies Degree in order to sit for the American Registry of Radiologic Technologist’s exam to be credentialed as a Registered Radiologic Technician.

III. Academic Program – A.A. in General Studies
a. Requirements to be completed to earn the A.A. in General Studies are the following:

   i. ENGL 101, Composition I, 3 credits
   ii. ENGL 201, Composition II, 3 credits
   iii. SPCM 101, Fundamentals of Speech, 3 credits
   iv. Mathematics, 3 credits
   v. Natural Sciences, 3-6 credits*
   vi. Social Sciences, 3-6 credits*
   vii. Humanities/Arts, 3-6 credits*

   *Three additional credits selected from approved list of courses for Goals #3, #4, or #6 to reach 24 System General Education credits

   viii. 0-6 elective credits to reach a total of 30 credits from outside of the Radiologic Technology curriculum.
b. Pathway One: Reverse Articulation (complete the 30 credits from SDSU and then complete the Radiologic Technology program at Avera McKennan School of Radiologic Technology. Transfer the RT program credits back to SDSU for completion of degree.)
   i. Student must meet admission requirements for AA degree.
   ii. Student will complete the required AA in General Studies degree courses through SDSU. Then, students will enter the Radiologic Technology program at Avera McKennan School of Radiologic Technology.
   iii. Upon successful completion of the Radiologic Technology program, the student will transfer back to SDSU and submit the graduation application. At that time, SDSU will accept a block of 30 technical credits in transfer.
   iv. SDSU will waive the graduation requirement that 8 of the last 16 credits for the Associate’s degree be earned as institutional credit.
   v. Students must meet all other SD Board of Regents and university requirements in order to receive the degree.
      a. Students must meet the placement requirements in math, English and reading before enrolling in math and English courses. Placement in these courses is determined by ACT, SAT or ACCUPLACER.

c. Pathway Two: Forward Articulation (complete the Radiologic Technology Program at Avera McKennan and transfer to SDSU to complete the AA in General Studies.)
   i. Student must meet admission requirements for AA degree.
   ii. Upon successful completion of the requirements for the Radiologic Technology Program, students may transfer to SDSU to complete the AA in General Studies. At that time, SDSU will accept a block of 30 technical credits from the Radiologic Technology Program. Students must successfully complete the Radiologic Technology Program at Avera McKennan prior to transferring to SDSU for the technical credits to be accepted.
   iii. Students will complete requirements for the AA in General Studies and any other general education or free elective requirements that remain unsatisfied.
   iv. Students must meet all SD Board of Regents policies and university graduation requirements in order to receive the degree.
      1. Students must meet the placement requirements for math, English and reading before enrolling in math and English courses. Placement in these courses is determined by ACT, SAT or ACCUPLACER scores.

Total number of credits from Avera McKennan: 30
Total number of credits from SDSU: 30
Total credits required: 60

IV. Academic Program – Bachelor of General Studies
   a. System General Education Requirements to be completed to earn the Bachelor of General Studies are the following
      i. ENGL 101, Composition I, 3 credits
      ii. ENGL 201, Composition II, 3 credits
iii. SPCM 101, Fundamentals of Speech, 3 credits
iv. Social Sciences, 6 credits (from two different disciplines)
v. Humanities/Arts, 6 credits (from two different disciplines or two classes in one modern language sequence)
vi. Mathematics, 3 credits
vii. Natural Sciences, 6 credits

b. Major Requirements: 48
At least 33 credits must be upper-division (300 or higher) courses.
i. GS 490 - Seminar Credits: 3
ii. Plan of Study Credits: 45
Completion of 15 credits in at least 3 of the designated focus areas
20 credits of focus are coursework must be upper division.
• Agriculture/Natural Resource Management (Courses such as animal science, plant science, wildlife and fisheries)
• Allied Health (Courses such as anatomy, athletic training, health sciences)
• Business (Courses such as business administration, consumer affairs, economics, ag econ, entrepreneurial studies)
• Education (Courses such as early childhood education, art education, ag education)
• Engineering (Courses such as construction management, physics, architecture, and engineering)
• Fine Arts (Courses such as art, art history, interior design, theater, music)
• Humanities (Courses such as foreign languages, English, religion, philosophy, mass and speech communication)
• Social Science (Courses such as anthropology, human development, political science, psychology, sociology)
• Science/Mathematics (Courses such as biology, chemistry, food science, mathematics)
• Technology (Courses such as agricultural systems technology, computer science, electrical engineering technology)
• Wellness (Courses such as health, physical education and recreation, wellness)

c. Students must meet all SD Board of Regents policies and university graduation requirements in order to receive the degree.
i. Student must meet admission requirements for degree.
ii. Students must meet the placement requirements for math, English and reading before enrolling in math and English courses. Placement in these courses is determined by ACT, SAT or ACCUPLACER scores.

Total number of credits from Avera McKennan: 30
Total number of credits from SDSU: 90
Total credits required: 120
V. Obligations
   Both parties agree to confer with each other regarding changes in curricula involved in this articulation agreement as needed.

II. Modification
   This agreement may be modified from time to time by South Dakota State University and the Avera McKennan School of Radiologic Technology with approval by the South Dakota Board of Regents. Modifications may not diminish the entitlements enjoyed by students who have already attended classes delivered under the terms of earlier versions of the agreement, except in the rare instances in which retroactive implementation of modifications may be required to comply with accreditation standards or to confirm to professional licensure requirements.

III. Effective Date of Agreement:  Start date of Fall 2018 at SDSU and Avera McKennan School of Radiologic Technology.

IV. Acceptance of Agreement:

   For SDSU:

   ________________________________  ____________________
   Dean, College of Arts and Sciences  Date

   ________________________________  ____________________
   Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs  Date

   ________________________________  ____________________
   Executive Director, SD Board of Regents  Date

   For Avera McKennan School of Radiologic Technology:

   ________________________________  ____________________
   Regional President  Date