Articulation Agreement between

Springfield Technical Community College

And

Northeastern University College of Professional Studies

This articulation agreement (this "Agreement") dated June 15, 2017 is between SPRINGFIELD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE, an educational corporation formed under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts with its principal office located at One Armory Square, Springfield, MA (hereafter referred to as "STCC"), and NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY on behalf of the COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES, a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts with its principal office at 360 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA (hereafter referred to as "CPS").

It is agreed by and between STCC and CPS for the mutual consideration and covenants herein contained as follows:

1. This Agreement states and memorializes opportunities STCC students may have to transfer credits and experiences earned at STCC into existing CPS degree programs. This Agreement neither creates new programs nor modifies the terms and conditions of existing programs at STCC and/or CPS.

2. STCC students who successfully complete their degree programs at STCC are eligible for admission into CPS baccalaureate degree program, subject to and in accordance with the limitations and procedures set forth in the Agreement and Appendix A, attached hereto and incorporated herein. All reference to standards will be those published in the respective current catalog of each institution and other applicable materials published by each institution.

3. STCC graduates who successfully complete a STCC associate degree program with a minimum overall grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale are eligible for admission to CPS to pursue a baccalaureate degree. CPS retains the right to make the final decision on each student’s application.

4. Upon acceptance into a CPS baccalaureate degree program, STCC graduates are subject to all requirements and other published standards issued by CPS, as may be amended from time to time in the sole discretion of CPS.
5. STCC graduates who complete a CPS baccalaureate degree with a minimum overall grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale as part of this Agreement are eligible for admission into a CPS graduate degree and certificate program. CPS retains the right to make the final decision on each student’s application.

6. As a member of the Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges (SOC), CPS agrees to award 100% of transfer credits toward a baccalaureate degree (STCC students will enter the CPS program as a junior) and 70% toward a master’s degree for active service members.

7. The Admissions Offices, Transfer Staff, or other appropriate offices or designees of both institutions agree that they will communicate each spring term to discuss recruiting, entrance requirements, and any other concerns that either may have about the affiliation. Other communications between them may be scheduled as needs arise. Each party agrees that it will communicate as soon as possible to the other party of any changes to its programs that will impact the Agreement. Each institution shall provide the other with advance copies of any written materials that it publishes to describe the terms of this Agreement.

8. STCC and CPS shall
   a. Designate personnel to design a focused marketing and recruitment plan that includes in-person (at STCC campuses) events, virtual events, collateral, and relevant communication.
   b. Not provide materials or information or make any promotion or other communication about the affiliation relevant to the other party to any person without the prior written consent of the other party in each case.
   c. Obtain written approval from the other party in each case prior to using any name or logo of the other party (“Northeastern University,” “College of Professional Studies,” or the “Lowell Institute School” or “Springfield Technical Community College”) on any advertising, marketing, promotional or fundraising materials except for the sole purpose of promoting and communicating about the opportunities afforded to students pursuant to this affiliation; provided, however, either party may request the immediate cessation of any communications or promotional activity of the other to which it objects, and the other party shall promptly comply with such request.

9. STCC shall permit CPS to obtain written verification, if necessary, from STCC of an applicant’s eligibility for course credit transfer under this Agreement.

10. This Agreement shall continue until terminated by either party. Either institution may terminate this Agreement, with or without cause, provided that the terminating institution has given the other institution written notice at least 90 days prior to the effective date of such termination and further provided that no such termination shall adversely affect any student attending or accepted by CPS by virtue of the terms of this Agreement. In the event that the said Agreement is not terminated, it will automatically be extended year by year.

11. The parties agree that this Agreement embodies all of the agreements made by and between them supersedes any prior agreements and the understanding with regards to the acceptance of STCC students into CPS and that any modifications or amendments thereof must be in writing.
executed by both parties in order to be effective. The Agreement is being executed within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the parties agree that this Agreement shall be interpreted under the laws of said Commonwealth.

12. All notices or other communications made or given hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed made or given upon receipt, or three business days after deposits in the U.S. Mail, in an envelope, postage prepaid, registered or certified mail, and addressed as follows:

If to STCC:
President
Springfield Technical Community College
One Armory Square, Suite 1, PO Box 9000
Springfield, MA 01102

If to CPS:
Dean of the College of Professional Studies and Vice President for Professional Advancement Network
Northeastern University College of Professional Studies
40 BV
360 Huntington Avenue
Boston, MA 02115

With copy to:
Academic Advising
Springfield Technical Community College
One Armory Square, Suite 1, PO Box 9000
Springfield, MA 01102

With copy to:
Office of the General Counsel
Northeastern University
378 Columbus Place
Boston, MA 02115

EXECUTED AS OF THE DAY AND YEAR FIRST ABOVE WRITTEN.

SPRINGFIELD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BY: [Signature]
PRINT: John B. Cook, Ph.D.
TITLE: President
DATE: 9.26.17

NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

BY: [Signature]
PRINT: Mary Loeffelholz, Ph.D.
TITLE: Dean of the College of Professional Studies and Vice President for Professional Advancement Network
DATE: 9.27.17

APPROVED as to form 7.3.17
Appendix A

Additional Terms and Conditions of the Articulation Agreement:

1. To be considered for the College of Professional Studies, Springfield Technical Community College students must:
   a. Successfully complete the associate degree at Springfield Technical Community College with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5. To gain admission to a CPS graduate degree program under this Agreement, students must graduate with a CPS baccalaureate degree with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0.
   b. Submit a completed online application and required supporting credentials to the College of Professional Studies by the posted term entry deadline.
   c. At its discretion, CPS will evaluate courses with a grade of C or better for transfer credit toward the baccalaureate degree. Courses designated as remedial or developmental are non-transferable. Science and technology courses completed more than seven years prior to the application date may be considered for transfer at the discretion of the CPS program director.

2. The College of Professional Studies reserves the right to rescind an offer of acceptance if student is no longer considered in good academic standing or disciplinary sanctions occur between the times of acceptance to matriculation.