

## ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

**Community Colleges of Spokane  
(Spokane Community College  
Spokane Falls Community College)  
Associate of Applied Science  
to  
Whitworth University  
Bachelor of Liberal Studies (“Upside-Down Program”)**

**Purpose:** To establish an agreement whereby the criteria for seamless transition of the Associate of Applied Science (AAS)\* at Spokane Community College (SCC) and Spokane Falls Community College (SFCC) to the Bachelor of Liberal Studies at Whitworth University (WU) . Students who complete the course work identified by this agreement for award of an AAS degree at SCC and SFCC will transfer with 60-64 semester credits (depending upon total number of credits earned through the AAS degree), and will be granted junior standing at WU. This agreement is intended to eliminate duplication of course work and is consistent with the goals and objectives of all participating institutions.

### **Bachelor of Liberal Studies**

Whitworth’s liberal-studies degree is an interdisciplinary bachelor’s degree offered to adults as an alternative to traditional degree programs that concentrate on one major academic area.

The liberal-studies degree builds on the strengths of a liberal-arts core curriculum. The flexibility of the liberal-studies program is the key to its success as an adult-degree alternative. All courses for the bachelor’s degree are offered in WU’s accelerated, six-week evening course format. This schedule allows people who work full time to complete their degrees within a reasonable time.

### **School of Continuing Studies Admissions**

Applicants to the School of Continuing Studies must:

- Submit an online application with supporting documents
- Meet with an academic advisor.

Due to the expectation that students contribute knowledge gained in the work environment to the collaborative learning in class, applicants to the School of Continuing Studies under the age of 23 must also meet the following criteria:

1. Have family or work responsibilities that would prevent her/him from attending a traditional, day university program;
2. Have a two-year transfer degree, or substantial previous college experience, preferably with a 2.75 or higher GPA; and
3. Have three years of full time employment history, documented by submission of a resume.

### **Admission Requirements for Bachelor of Liberal Studies, Community College A.A.S. Degree Transfer**

In addition to the School of Continuing Studies admission requirements, applicants for the “upside-down” A.A.S. transfer degree program must meet the following criteria:


- Completion of an approved A.A.S. degree within the last 10 years from a community college in Washington, Idaho, Colorado, Oregon, and Montana. If the A.A.S. degree is older than 10 years,

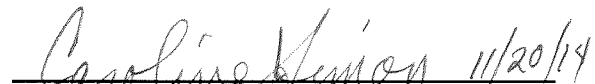
the transcript will be evaluated on a course-by-course basis and/or evaluated based on the applicant's current use of the degree in his/her profession.


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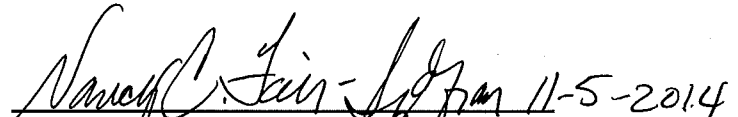
This agreement will become effective when the final signature is obtained and will be in effect for three (3) years. Either institution may terminate this agreement with three months' advance notice.

Accepted:

  
James Minkler  
Vice President of Learning  
Spokane Falls Community College

  
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Provost, VP of Academic Affairs  
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\* A full list of eligible AAS programs at SCC and SFCC is attached to this agreement as Appendix A.



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School of Continuing Studies

## A.A.S. DEGREES *NEWLY ADDED* TO BLS (UPSIDE-DOWN) DEGREE ELIGIBILITY

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- Administrative Office Management
- Agriculture Business
- Architectural Technology
- Business Management
- Business, General
- Education Paraprofessional
  - *Education Parapro, Special Education*
  - *Early Childhood Education Option*
  - *General Education Option*
- Fire Science Technology
- Health Information Management
- Information Technology
- Invasive Cardiovascular Technology
- Legal Administration
- Noninvasive Cardiovascular Technology
- Occupational Therapy Assistant
- Radiology Technology
- Software Development
- Vascular Technology

## A.A.S. DEGREES PREVIOUSLY ELIGIBLE FOR TRANSFER VIA THE BLS (UPSIDE-DOWN) DEGREE

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- Accounting Assistant/Accounting Clerk
  - Addiction Studies
  - Administrative/Computer Specialist
  - Audio Engineering
  - Corrections
  - Criminal Justice
  - Dental Assisting
  - Early Childhood Education
  - Electronics Engineering Technician
    - *Avionics*
    - *Computer and Data Communications Technician*
    - *Electronics Maintenance Technician*
  - Fire Officer
  - Gerontology Paraprofessional
  - Graphic Design
  - Health/Fitness Technician
  - Hotel and Restaurant Management
  - Interior Design
  - Interpreter Training
  - Library and Information Services
  - Management
  - Marketing
  - Medical Assistant
  - Natural Resource Management
    - *Parks and Recreation Option*
    - *Wildlife/Fisheries Option*
  - Network Design and Administration
  - Nursing Program (RN, LPN)
  - Paralegal
  - Pharmacy Technician
  - Photography
  - Physical Therapist Assistant
  - Social Services
  - Water Resources Technology
    - *Water and Wastewater*
    - *Water Resources Technology*
  - Web Design
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## A.A.S. DEGREES NOT ELIGIBLE FOR 60-CREDIT BLS (UPSIDE-DOWN) DEGREE TRANSFER

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- Administrative Assistant
- Automotive Collision and Refinishing Technician
- Automotive Technology
- Aviation Maintenance Technology
- Biomedical Equipment Technician
- CAD Design and Drafting
  - *Mechanical Design Technology*
- Cosmetology
- Culinary Arts
- Customer Service Representative
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- Diesel/Heavy Duty Equipment
- Electrical Maintenance and Automation
- Emergency Medical Technician (Paramedic)
- Florist
- Greenhouse-Nursery
- Hearing Instrument Specialist
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Cond. & Refrig.
- Hydraulic and Pneumatic Automation Technician
- Landscape Management
- Legal Administrative Assistant
- Machinist/CNC Technology
- Medical Office Specialist
- Medical Transcription
- Multi-Occupational Trades
- Office Information Systems
- Orthotic-Prosthetic Technician
- Respiratory Care
- Surgical Technology

This list serves as a foundational document identifying A.A.S. degrees from the Community Colleges of Spokane, per the date below, that are eligible for transfer to Whitworth University, Bachelor of Liberal Studies degree programs, via the “upside-down” transfer degree articulation. Whitworth will accept a minimum of 60 semester credits (90 quarter credits) and up to 64 semester credits (96 quarter credits) into the BLS degree from any of the above-mentioned A.A.S. degrees identified as eligible for transfer. This list is subject to change as degree programs are reviewed, modified or added. Notice will be provided to the institutions affected by such changes and the new list will be linked to the Whitworth University web site.