

An Articulation Agreement Between

Pensacola State College for and on behalf of The District Board of Trustees of Pensacola State College,
Florida and
Northwest Florida State College for and on behalf of The District Board of Trustees of Northwest Florida
State College

Title of Agreement: **AS to BAS Articulation Agreement**
Type of Agreement: **Special Admissions**
Major: **Cybersecurity**
Department: **Mathematics and Computer Science**
Degree: **Bachelor of Applied Science**
Limited Access Program: **No**

1. Introduction

Northwest Florida State College (NWFSC) in collaboration with Pensacola State College (PSC) has agreed to a special admissions process to expedite the admission of students graduating with an Associate in Science in Computer Information Technology (AS) into the Bachelor of Applied Science in Cybersecurity (BAS) program at PSC.

2. Program Goal

This program is to promote a special admissions process for students graduating from NWFSC with an AS degree in Computer Information Technology with a Special Admission opportunity into the BAS program at PSC.

The Special Admissions eligible programs:

Northwest Florida State College	Pensacola State College
Associate in Science in Computer Information Technology	Bachelor of Applied Science in Cybersecurity

Special Admissions Criteria

- A. Eligible students will successfully complete the Associate in Science degree in Computer Information Technology at NWFSC.
- B. Eligible students will have completed their AS degree in within the last 6 years from the date of application.
- C. Completion of the following courses at NWFSC to be accepted for credit as designated below.

Northwest Florida State College	Pensacola State College
CTS 1134 – Network Foundations (3cc)	CET 2614C Cisco CCNA Network Security (3cc)
COP 1000 - Introduction to Programming Concepts and Logic (3cc)	COP 1510 Programming Concepts (3cc)
CTS 2302C - Windows Active Directory (3cc)	CTS 1300C Administering Microsoft Windows Workstation (3cc)
CTS 2390C - Installing and Configuring Windows Server (3cc)	CTS 1390C Install and Configure Windows Server (3cc)
CET 2660 - Network Security (3cc)	CTS 2120C Security + (3cc)
CTS 1142 - Information Technology Project Management (3cc)	CTS 2149 Fundamentals of Project Management (3cc)
CTS 2314 - Network Defense Countermeasures (3cc)	CTS 2318 Information Security Management (3cc)

3. Special Admissions Process

- A. Eligible students will complete a PSC baccalaureate application adhering to the PSC baccalaureate application deadlines.
- B. The PSC admissions office receives the application and requests official transcripts through FASTER for the degree-granting institution of the eligible student.
- C. Copies of transcripts from other attended institutions will be provided by the student.

4. Updates

This Agreement is subject to change by legislative action, the State Board of Education, the Florida College System, The District Board of Trustees Northwest Florida State College, The District Board of Trustees of Pensacola State College, or external accrediting agencies. This Agreement will be reviewed by both parties on a yearly basis to ensure the currency of this document.

5. Resources

Resources for the implementation of this Agreement may come from either party, depending on budget availability. No party hereto is obligated to expend any resources whatsoever in connection with this Agreement. Implementation of any portion of this Agreement, or commencement of any specific projects, may only be initiated after the written assurance of such budgetary availability to the other party hereto.

To the extent that any external funding is required by PSC to implement this Agreement and funding for such purposes is not appropriated to PSC by the legislature of the State of Florida or is not otherwise available to PSC, The District Board of Trustees Pensacola State College shall henceforth have no further financial obligations hereunder. In the event PSC does not have sufficient legislative appropriations to carry out any obligations under this Agreement, it shall immediately notify NWFSC of such portions of this Agreement that

may be deemed terminated as a result of such failure of appropriations.

6. Public Records

All parties shall allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other materials subject to the provisions of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, and made or received in connection with this Agreement. Refusal by either to allow such public access shall be grounds for unilateral cancellation of this Agreement.

7. Term

This Agreement shall continue for a period of five (5) years from the effective date of execution. The effective date of this Agreement shall be determined from the date of the last signature. It will be automatically renewed for an additional one (1) year period unless either party provides the other written notice no later than sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the preceding term that it wishes to terminate this Agreement. If either party fails to follow the terms and conditions of the Agreement as set forth therein, the other party has the right to terminate this Agreement upon sixty (60) days' written notice to the other. Either Party may also terminate this Agreement effective immediately and upon written notice to the other if, in its sole discretion, it concludes the health, safety, or welfare of students are endangered for any reason; if the special admissions process no longer supports the educational mission of either Party; or, if the other Party has acted in violation of applicable law.

Any notices of termination of this Agreement shall be sent to the official contacts named below, with the understanding that students currently being served through the special admissions process will be allowed to complete their transition to PSC without losing any benefits of the special admissions process.

8. Non-Discrimination

NWFSC and PSC are equal opportunity institutions, and shall not discriminate unlawfully against any student, applicant, or employee, nor shall it deny the benefits provided its own degree student to any other person on the basis of a protected class.

9. Notices

Notices with respect to the rights and obligations of each party hereto shall be provided as follows:

Northwest Florida State College

1. Dr. Deidre Price, Vice President of Academic Affairs

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Niceville, FL 32578

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2. Dr. Jeffrey M. McGill, Interim Dean, Career Education

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Pensacola State College

1. Dr. Erin Spicer, Vice President, Academic and Student Affairs
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2. Dr. Kirk Bradley, Dean, Baccalaureate Studies and Academic Support
1000 College Blvd, Building 20
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(850) 484-1764
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10. Modifications, additions, or deletions

Modifications, additions, or deletions from this Agreement must be in writing and signed by both parties. The designated representatives for the Colleges are listed upon "Approvals".

11. General Provisions

- A. The Parties have set forth the terms, conditions and responsibilities in this Agreement in the good faith belief that they are fully in compliance with all legal and accreditation requirements generally applicable to both Parties. However, in the event that either Party determines in its sole discretion that the performance of any obligation herein is in violation of such legal or accreditation requirement, the Parties agree that such obligation shall be promptly modified to the extent necessary to secure continued compliance with such legal and accreditation requirements. In the event either Party determines in its sole discretion that such obligations cannot be modified in a manner to secure continued compliance, either Party can terminate this Agreement effective immediately upon written notice. Students currently being served through the special admissions process will be allowed to complete their transition to PSC without losing any benefits of the special admissions process.
- B. NWFSC shall not use PSC trademarks, trade names, service marks, service names, brand names, domain names, URLs, logos, or any other licensed PSC mark or intellectual property in any manner without prior written consent from PSC of such use. PSC shall not use NWFSC trademarks, trade names, service marks, brand names, domain names, URLs, logos, or any other licensed NWFSC or intellectual property in any manner without the prior written consent of NWFSC of such use.
- C. The Parties agree to comply with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations regarding the protection of data security, including without limitation the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), and to work together to facilitate the Parties obligations under those laws and regulations.
- D. Application of Florida Law: This Agreement, and the application or interpretation hereof, shall be governed exclusively by its terms and by the laws of the State of Florida, without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law provision or rule (whether of the State of Florida or any other jurisdiction) that would cause the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than the State of Florida. Each of the parties hereto waives any right to trial by jury with respect to any action related to or arising out of this Agreement or any

transaction contemplated hereby.


- E. Severability: If any term or other provision of this Agreement is invalid, illegal, or incapable of being enforced by any rule of law or public policy, all other conditions and provisions of this Agreement nevertheless shall remain in full force and effect so long as the economic or legal substance of the transactions contemplated hereby is not affected in any manner adverse to any party. Upon such determination that any term or other provision is invalid, illegal, or incapable of being enforced, the parties shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement so as to affect the original intent of the parties as closely as possible in an acceptable manner to the end that transactions contemplated hereby are fulfilled to the greatest extent possible.
- F. Successors and Assigns: Each and all of the covenants, terms, provisions, and agreements contained in this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto and, to the extent permitted by this Agreement, their respective successors and assigns. No Party may assign this Agreement (by operation of law or otherwise) to any Person without the prior written consent of the other Party.
- G. Counterparts: This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument and a facsimile or portable document format (PDF) document shall be deemed to be an original signature for all purposes under this Agreement.
- H. Operating Responsibilities: A Memorandum of Understanding outlining the management responsibilities of each institution to participate in the articulation agreement will be set forth and agreed upon by the signatures of the President of each institution.
- I. Entire Agreement: This Agreement represents the entire understanding of the Parties with reference to the matters set forth herein. This Agreement supersedes all prior negotiations, discussions, correspondence, communications, and prior agreements among the Parties relating to the subject matter herein.

Entire Agreement

This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties in connection with the subject matter hereof, and supersedes any and all prior and contemporaneous agreements between the parties whether written or oral.

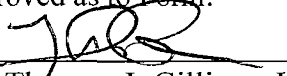
Approvals:

PENSACOLA STATE COLLEGE

By: 
Dr. Edward Meadows
President

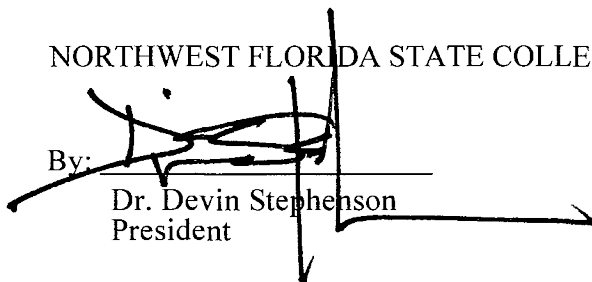
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Approved as to Form:

By: 
Thomas J. Gilliam, Jr.
General Counsel

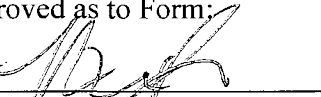
6/22/2023
Date

NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE

By: 
Dr. Devin Stephenson
President

6-22-23
Date

Approved as to Form:

By: 
Whitney Rutherford
General Counsel

6/22/23
Date