

What is Articulation?

For the purposes of this project, articulation is the result of working together to make things happen for our students. In its simplest form, articulation means that coursework taken by students in high school or ROP/C is recognized by postsecondary institutions. This agreement is completed through a collaborative process of between high school/ROPC teachers and community college faculty aligning courses and programs. Ideally, it includes a seamless transition of course work where academic standards are designed, reviewed, and implemented to eliminate the duplication of skills and student learning outcomes. The primary goal is to avoid duplication of coursework required of students as they move through our educational system and to speed the completion of a certificate or degree from a postsecondary institution. This increases secondary retention, eliminates duplication, reduces the cost of education and increases the likelihood of attendance at the postsecondary level. Students are much more likely to enroll and stay in a college program that they know won't require them to wade through the same information they got in high school. Articulation is student-focused and is good for everyone.

What should I know about these articulation agreements?

These agreements may assist many of your students in achieving advanced placement and/or college credit for courses they have taken in high school. In many cases these courses are applicable throughout your region, and in some cases throughout the state. You can view a listing of current agreements, as well as agreements in the works, by looking at our database of agreements. Knowing which agreements are available to your students can also assist you in helping them to make the best possible choices of high school courses.

How can this project benefit my students?

Make sure that your students are aware of this opportunity and help them to choose courses that have been articulated. Then ensure they know the process for applying for the articulation credit once they reach the community college of their choice. To assist you further, you can refer to our listing of Tech Prep Coordinators. Tech Prep Coordinators are experienced and trained to help you and your students with this process.