



## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TRANSFER ARTICULATION

# SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS COLLEGE AND ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-JONESBORO

Associate of Applied Science in EMT-Paramedic
Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice
Technical Certificate in EMT-Paramedic
and

**Bachelor of Science in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management** 

This Memorandum of Understanding ("Agreement"), entered into on \_\_\_\_ of June, 2018, ("Effective Date") by and between Arkansas State University-Jonesboro (hereinafter, "ASUJ"), located at 2105 Aggie Road, Jonesboro, Arkansas 72401, and Southeast Arkansas College (hereinafter "SEARK"), located at 1900 Hazel Street, Pine Bluff, Arkansas 71603.

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Agreement is to facilitate the transfer and degree completion of students earning the Associate of Applied Science in specific majors or the Technical Certificate in EMT-Paramedic at SEARK to the Bachelor of Science in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management. Through collaborative efforts, ASUJ and SEARK will provide clarity regarding the degree requirements herein, and afford students the opportunity to earn a high-quality degree from both institutions in the most efficient manner possible.

#### **AGREEMENT**

It is agreed that any student who has earned the Associate of Applied Science in specific majors or Technical Certificate in EMT-Paramedic at SEARK will be admitted to the Bachelor of Science in Disaster

Preparedness and Emergency Management at ASUJ in either the on-campus or online program, subject to the provisions listed below.

#### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

- A. The student must complete the requirements necessary for general admission to ASUJ as well as specific admission to the ASUJ Bachelor of Science in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management program.
- B. The student will have completed one of the following programs at SEARK.
  - a. Associate of Applied Science in EMT-Paramedic
  - b. Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice
  - c. Technical Certificate in EMT-Paramedic
- C. Degree program admission requirements for students who transfer pursuant to this Agreement will be determined in the same manner as if their initial enrollment had been at ASUJ.

#### **TRANSFER OF CREDITS**

- A. Course requirements for this Agreement are displayed on the following attachments (see Appendix A). Students who have earned the specific Associate of Applied Science or Technical Certificate in EMT-Paramedic will be awarded 37 Technical Block hours which include the Lower-Level DPEM-prefix and Lower-Level Emphasis Area courses of the Bachelor of Science in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management at ASUJ.
- B. A transfer student who has not completed all of the courses specified within the specific Associate of Applied Science or Technical Certificate in EMT-Paramedic at SEARK, before entering ASUJ, must work with an academic advisor to ensure timely completion of degree program requirements.
- C. Current and updated copies of catalogs/curricular requirements for the ASUJ Bachelor of Science in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management program will be available to SEARK online. Catalogs/Curricular requirements are available for both the on-campus and online programs.
- D. Remedial course grades will not be computed in the cumulative GPA for purposes of admission to ASUJ.

#### IMPLEMENTATION AND REVIEW

- A. The Chief Academic Officers at each institution will implement the terms of this Agreement, including incorporation of any mutually agreed upon changes into subsequent revisions of this Agreement, assuring compliance with system policy, procedure and guidelines.
- B. This Agreement will be reviewed on an annual basis. Both ASUJ and SEARK agree to notify one another in a timely manner of any curriculum changes that would significantly impact the nature of this Agreement.
- C. ASUJ and SEARK will work together cooperatively, in the best interest of affected students, to resolve any issues related to the transfer of courses should changes to either degree program occur while the Agreement is in effect.

- D. Students will be subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement in accordance with their academic year of entry at SEARK. A student may opt for a subsequent revision of this Agreement, but must meet all of the requirements specified therein.
- E. ASUJ and SEARK will make every effort to inform students of this Agreement. This may include, but is not limited to, inclusion within each institution's website, published catalog, recruitment publications, media announcements, social media engagement, and in-person information sessions.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

- A. This Agreement is effective upon execution and shall remain in effect even if persons, positions, and/or titles change.
- B. This Agreement may be terminated by either party with at least 90 calendar days written notice.
- C. In the event that the Agreement is terminated, no new students will be admitted to the program; however, all students who have already been admitted to ASUJ, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, will be allowed to complete their approved course of study under the terms contained therein.
- D. This agreement shall become effective at the time that the Arkansas Department of Higher Education has been notified and approval has been granted.

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Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic		
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Kaleybra M. Morehead, Ed.D.
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Date

#### Appendix A:

#### **ASU- JONESBORO COURSES**

The following are courses that SEARK students who have earned the specific A.A.S. must take to complete ASUJ's Bachelor of Science in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management

SEARK	ASUJ
General Education – 15 Hours (Approx)	General Education – 20 Hours (Approx)
Technical Block – 37 Hours	Major Requirements - 30 Hours
	DPEM 3503 Principles of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management
	DPEM 3553 Ethical/Legal Considerations
	DPEM 3573 Business Continuity in DPEM
	DPEM 3593 Research Concepts in DPEM
	DPEM 4513 Physical Care of CBRNE Injuries
	DPEM 4523 Risk Identification
	DPEM 4533 Disaster and Mental Health
	DPEM 4553 Capstone
	DPEM 4563 Non-Governmental Agencies & DPEM
	DPEM 4713 Advanced Information Officer
	Emphasis Area – 15 Hours*
	Select courses with one area of emphasis (Disaster Preparedness & Emergency Management, Law Enforcement, Health Care, Administration)

<sup>\*</sup>Must be Upper-Level Hours

### **ASU- JONESBORO COURSES**

The following are courses that SEARK students who have earned the Technical Certificate in EMT-Paramedic must take to complete ASUJ's Bachelor of Science in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management

SEARK	ASUI
Technical Block - 37 Hours	General Education - 35 Hours
	Major Requirements - 30 Hours
	DPEM 3503 Principles of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management
	DPEM 3553 Ethical/Legal Considerations
	DPEM 3573 Business Continuity in DPEM
	DPEM 3593 Research Concepts in DPEM
	DPEM 4513 Physical Care of CBRNE Injuries
	DPEM 4523 Risk Identification
	DPEM 4533 Disaster and Mental Health
	DPEM 4553 Capstone
	DPEM 4563 Non-Governmental Agencies & DPEM
	DPEM 4713 Advanced Information Officer
	Emphasis Area - 15 Hours*
	Select courses with one area of emphasis (Disaster
	Preparedness & Emergency Management, Law
	Enforcement, Health Care, Administration)
	Electives – 3 Hours

<sup>\*</sup>Must be Upper-Level Hours