ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

between

Edmonds Community College
Associate of Technical Arts in Network Technology

and

Bellevue College
Bachelor of Applied Science in Information Systems and Technology; Cyber Security & System Administration

This Articulation Agreement ("Agreement") is subscribed to by Bellevue College (hereafter referred to as “BC”) and Edmonds Community College (hereafter referred to as “ECC”) for the purpose of establishing a credit transfer protocol for students completing a ATA in Network Technology at ECC, who also desire to complete the Bachelor of Applied Science (B.A.S) degree in Information Systems and Technology with a concentration Cyber Security & Systems Administration at BC.

BC and ECC hereby establish this Articulation Agreement to provide a path to the Bellevue College Bachelor of Applied Science in Information Systems and Technology with a concentration in Cyber Security & Systems Administration (concentration hereafter referred to as “CSSA”).

I. INTRODUCTION

This Agreement establishes a path to a B.A.S. degree at BC in Information Systems and Technology CSSA for ECC students who successfully complete the articulation path listed below. BC course agreements (outlined below) ensure the ECC transfer student will matriculate at junior standing.

II. TRANSFER OF CREDITS

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**TOTAL PATHWAY CREDITS TO BE APPLIED**  
15-16

**Note:** Including completion of pathway courses, transfer students will need to complete an additional 100 credits to attain BAS IST Cyber Security & Systems Administration degree at BC.

This agreement allows the **ECC** student who has obtained an ATA degree in Network Technology in addition to completing remaining outlined pathway coursework from **ECC or another institution** to apply up to 80 credits towards the BAS in Information Systems and Technology CSSA at **BC**.

### III. ARTICULATION CRITERIA

1. Participation of **ECC** students under the articulation protocol established in this Agreement will be permitted in compliance with applicable federal, state, and local nondiscrimination laws and regulations. Any **ECC** student will be admitted to **BC** with junior standing in the BAS in Information Systems and Technology CSSA subject to the following terms and conditions:

   a) The **ECC** student must fulfill all of the requirements prescribed herein related to completing an ATA in Network Technology and additional prerequisite course requirements.

   b) The **ECC** student must have completed his/her work at **ECC** in good academic, behavioral and financial standing.

   c) Only courses in which the **ECC** student earned a grade of “C” of higher, or which were completed with a “P” on an approved pass/fail system, and which were applicable toward the BAS in Information Systems and Technology CSSA at **BC** will be accepted. The courses must also have been completed within the last 3 years. If they were completed prior to that time, please consult the with the program manager for **BC**’s Information Systems and Technology department.

   d) **BC** reserves the right to deny admission to any applicant who poses an undue risk of harm to others or the property of **BC** or others, who submits false or misleading credentials or application materials, who is not competent to profit from the program, or whose presence or conduct would...
create a disruptive atmosphere within the college that is not consistent with the college’s purposes.

e) BC reserves the right to deny the granting of credit for courses completed, continued matriculation, and to rescind certificates, credits or degrees already earned with respect to any person found in violation of BC’s student conduct code and/or provisions of the BC Information Systems and Technology program handbook, or otherwise determined to be ineligible for participation in the BC Information Systems and Technology program of study.

IV. ADMISSIONS

a. Any ECC students are eligible who complete the articulated program at ECC with a grade point average of 2.0 or greater than 2.0. All students must fill out the BAS application by the prescribed deadline to be reviewed for admission. Additional ECC students who are eligible may be granted acceptance on a space available basis after the application deadline.

b. ECC students must complete a minimum of 90 credits in residence at BC in order to be granted the BAS degree in Information Systems and Technology CSSA. (See attached addendum for list of required BC courses).

Student Rights and Responsibilities

1. Each admitted ECC student will be afforded all of the rights and privileges offered to all accepted students at BC as established in the official policies and procedures of BC as they may be amended from time to time, including without limitation, participation in the financial aid programs, student counseling and advising and other student services.

2. Except with respect to the articulation protocol established in the Agreement, ECC students must comply with and will be bound by the standards and regulations of BC in effect at the time of their application for admission to BC.

3. This Agreement is not intended to and shall not be so construed as to create any independent rights in any students of ECC nor include ECC students as parties hereto.

V. PROVISIONS

Since ECC and BC are both accredited institutions of higher education and generally accept for transfer purposes credits earned by students at the other institution and desire to establish a designated protocol to facilitate the transfer of students into the BAS in Information Systems and Technology at BC, the parties jointly subscribe to the following provisions:

ECC AGREES TO:

1. Promote the opportunity for ECC students to transfer to BC to students who express an interest in Information Systems and Technology CSSA and to students who were initially referred to ECC by BC.

2. Coordinate with BC’s Information Systems and Technology Program Manager to conduct class visits and host information sessions on a quarterly basis.
3. Provide each student enrolled in its certificate and degree programs with advisors, counselors or coaches who will advise them of the articulation protocol established under this Agreement.

4. Provide BC with contact information released by the student so that BC may actively recruit those students.

5. Invite faculty liaison, or their designee, as a non-voting member to Advisory Committee Board Meetings, Program Meetings or other significant academic/industry events.

**BC AGREES TO:**

1. Authorize ECC to identify BC as an institutional partner on the ECC website and in print publications. BC also authorizes ECC to use its logo on the ECC website and in print publications as pertains to this agreement.

2. Provide written material to ECC for ongoing dissemination of information to students who express interest in transfer to the BAS in Information Systems and Technology CSSA at BC.

3. To the extent permissible under federal and state law, including the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), establish a mechanism to provide information on the academic progress of the ECC student enrolled as a result of this Agreement, including but not limited to statistical data compiled from non-specific student information.

**BOTH COLLEGES AGREE TO:**

1. Designate an individual to serve as liaison for the purposes of implementing this AGREEMENT. Such person shall have the authority to administer the interests of the party she/he represents in pursuit of the terms and provisions hereof. Both institutions will encourage and maintain a high degree of cooperation between their staff members in the implementation of the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

2. Notify other party if designated liaison's faculty or staff position is changed, renounced, or terminated.

3. Meet a minimum of once a year to revise or discuss the articulation Agreement.

4. Review and revise the Agreement annually or when related curriculum changes are made at either institution or at the request of either party as deemed appropriate for the improvement of the transfer process and student articulation.

5. Reserve the right to request and review in advance any information disseminated to the public or students about the articulation protocols established herein or that identifies the relationship between the parties hereunder.

6. Communicate the conditions of this Agreement to their respective stakeholders - external and internal.

7. Maintain their respective individual accreditation with the understanding that this Agreement shall be binding only so long as accreditation is maintained by both parties.

8. Recognize that they are bound to comply with FERPA, as it may be amended from time to time, in the handling of educational records of students enrolled in their institutions.
VI. TERMS

Implementation and interpretation of this Agreement will be consistent with applicable and mandatory policies and procedures established by the appropriate accreditation bodies, the United States Department of Education, and other agencies that have jurisdiction over the operation of either institution. To the extent any provision of this Agreement is inconsistent with Washington law, or applicable rules or regulations, including rules or regulations from the U.S. Department of Education or the Washington Student Achievement Council this Agreement will be considered null and void.

This Agreement may be amended by mutual Agreement of the Parties. Such amendments shall not be binding unless they are in writing and signed by personnel authorized to bind each of the Parties as listed below. When there is a substantial change in statutes or regulations that interfere with the Parties’ ability to comply with this Agreement, the Parties will negotiate in good faith an amendment to this Agreement.

All notices concerning this Agreement and understanding will be considered to have been given at the time of receipt of notice by the other Party.

1. Notices to Edmonds Community College:

   Mark Einfeld
   Department Head, Computer Information Systems
   Edmonds Community College

2. Notices to Bellevue College:

   Rebecca Cory
   Dean of Instruction
   Bellevue College

   Alysa Kelsey
   Program Manager, Information Systems and Technology
   Bellevue College

This Agreement shall be effective upon execution by both parties and shall continue for three (3) years or until either party gives the other party a two quarter advance written notice of withdrawal from the Agreement. However, in the event that this Agreement is terminated, BC commits that ECC students who are at any stage of their Degree studies and who have been pre-admitted to BC shall be entitled to pursue
completion of the BAS in Information Systems and Technology CSSA at BC under the articulation protocols established herein unless prohibited by applicable law, rules, or regulations.

**Indemnification and Insurance**

The Parties agree to defend, indemnify, and hold each other harmless from and against any loss, claim, or damage, including without limitation the cost from any reasonable attorneys' fees and/or litigation, to the extent it arises or is alleged to arise from the negligent acts or omissions of their respective officers, employees, students or agents in the performance of their duties under this agreement. The Parties agree to provide each other proof of insurance upon request.

**Independence of the Parties**

The Parties are independent contractors. Nothing contained in this Agreement will constitute either Party the agent, partner, or legal representative of the other Party for any purpose, or constitute the Parties as partners. Neither Party has any right, power, or authority to create any obligation or responsibility on behalf of the other.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties hereto have executed or approved this AGREEMENT, effective from the date of the last signature entered below.

Entered into this agreement on **December 7**, 2020.

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Bellevue College

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