

PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
HEARTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE
AND
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY CARBONDALE

In an effort to provide a continued, articulated higher education baccalaureate degree program that will build on community college and university learning experiences, and also eliminate duplication of instruction, this agreement is set forth between Heartland Community College and the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois University on behalf of Southern Illinois University Carbondale (SIUC).

1. All graduates of Heartland Community College with an AAS in Computer Technology and meeting SIUC entrance requirements will be given full credit for the postsecondary course work portion of the selective admission criteria for admission into SIUC's Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Information Systems Technologies (IST) program in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts. A separate IST application is required in addition to SIUC's general admission application. Any student transferring from outside the University or from other SIUC programs into the Information Systems Technologies major will be evaluated on the information systems technologies application information, postsecondary course work, appropriately related career credits, and grade point average as calculated by Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

2. A Heartland Community College graduate receiving an AAS Degree in Computer Technology will be accepted for the Capstone Option and admission to SIUC's IST program if the following are met:

- (a) admission to the university
- (b) a minimum of 60 transferable hours to SIUC
- (c) an overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.25 or above (4.0 scale) on all accredited work received prior to the awarding of the AAS degree as calculated by SIUC's grading regulations
- (d) the completion of at least 15 hours of SIUC equivalent University Core Curriculum (general education) credit including English Composition with a grade of "C" or better at Heartland Community College. Specific University Core Curriculum courses are required for the IST degree. Students at Heartland Community College should choose equivalents to match SIUC Humanities Group II: Philosophy 104 or 105; SIUC Social Science: two from Economics 113, Psychology 102, or Sociology 108; and SIUC Interdisciplinary: Economics 302i or Speech Communications 301i.
- (e) the selection of CSCI 221 C++ Programming as a programming elective or CSCI/CTEC elective.
- (f) the selection of 19 semester hours in the CSCI/CTEC elective courses (24 hours) including CTEC 151 Maintenance and Repair, and CSCI 110 Microcomputer Database Applications. CTEC 250 Object-Oriented Analysis and Design is highly recommended.
- (g) the selection of 5 semester hours from the following: BUSN 220

Principles of Management, BUSN 210 Legal Environment of Business, or ACCT 200 Financial Accounting to fulfill the CSCI Elective courses (24 hours).

(h) Technology courses will not be included in the CSCI/CTEC elective course options for this articulated degree.

Acceptance into the Capstone option guarantees the AAS degree recipient in Computer Technology at Heartland Community College completion of the IST degree with a total of no more than 60 semester hours of work at SIUC. Heartland Community College students must complete the SIUC Capstone Application (in addition to the SIUC undergraduate admissions application and IST Selective Admission Application) to be admitted to this Option.

3. Heartland Community College graduates receiving an AAS degree with a minimum of 60 transferable hours to SIUC in Computer Technology with less than a 2.25 overall GPA, but with an overall GPA of 2.0 to 2.24, using SIUC's grading regulations, will be eligible for admission based on space availability to the IST program at SIUC. These students may require more than 60 semester hours to complete their Information Systems Technologies Bachelor of Science degree.

4. Heartland Community College students transferring to the IST baccalaureate degree program at SIUC who have not completed all of their AAS degree requirements at Heartland Community College will have their related coursework evaluated on a course-by-course basis by the appropriate SIUC program.

5. Students will be required to complete 60 senior institution hours and at least 120 hours with an overall GPA of 2.0 to receive a Bachelor of Science degree in IST. Coursework may include University Core Curriculum as well as IST major courses at SIUC.

6. An SIUC Information Systems Technologies representative will communicate periodically with Heartland Community College personnel in Computer Technology for general advisement and degree planning purposes.

7. Upon successful completion of all degree requirements, and following all policies and regulations stated in the program and university guidelines, Heartland Community College students will be eligible to receive the Bachelor of Science degree in Information Systems Technologies, College of Applied Sciences and Arts, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale.

8. Should changes occur in course or program content, the school making the change agrees to notify the other school in writing so that this agreement can be re-evaluated. Notice of changes shall be given at least 45 days prior to the beginning of the semester when the change is implemented.

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