ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN THE

BUTLER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

AND

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

of the

STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

The Butler County Community College and Edinboro University of Pennsylvania recognize the need and importance of facilitating the transfer of students from one institution to the other as they pursue their educational goals. In an effort to insure that transfer students and native students be treated on an equal basis, and to make the full resources of both institutions available to the students, both parties enter into the following Articulation Agreement (hereinafter Agreement). This Agreement has been developed according to guidelines established in the articulation document for the State System of Higher Education and Pennsylvania Community Colleges.

This Agreement provides the foundation for the articulation of the specific programs as defined in Parallel Program Agreements to which the parties might agree. The terms and conditions related to articulation for specific programs and, which become a part of this Agreement upon signature by both parties, will become addenda to this agreement.

Should either party alter a program that is covered by this Agreement, the party shall notify the other party of the changes so that a new articulation of the program in question can occur. If the programs in question can no longer be articulated, the Agreement, insofar as the specific Parallel Program in question is concerned, will be rendered null and void.

Academic Elements

A. A student enrolled in A Parallel Program at Butler County Community College who completes all requirements for an associate in arts or an associate in science degree for which a Parallel Program exists at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania may transfer to Edinboro University of Pennsylvania and may expect the following:
1. to have his or her Parallel Program at Butler County Community College reviewed and approved by the appropriate officer at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania;

2. to have all of the courses that are approved and successfully completed in the Parallel Program accepted by and transferred to Edinboro University of Pennsylvania upon graduation from Butler County Community College;

3. to have all of the courses that are accepted by and transferred to Edinboro University of Pennsylvania applied to the attainment of the baccalaureate degree, thus resulting in the student receiving full junior status (grade point average will be calculated in accordance with Edinboro University of Pennsylvania's policy);

4. to have the approved program accepted for transfer unless the entry date to Edinboro University is more than one year after the entry date specified in the Academic Plan Approval form. If later, Edinboro University may require a revision in the program to reflect curricular changes.

B. The determination of major program requirements for the baccalaureate degree shall be the responsibility of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania;

Student Services

A. Students transferring from Butler County Community College to Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will be treated on an equal basis with native students with regard to award and distribution of financial aid, campus housing, selection of courses and other student services.

B. Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will assist, with available resources, to provide representatives to meet with individual students and student groups for students participating in Parallel Programs so that these students may become familiar with student services and opportunities for participation in Student Affairs sponsored activities at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

Procedures

I. Academic Articulation

A. A student who wants to participate in the articulation process must contact the Transfer Counselor at Butler County Community College.

B. The student, the academic advisor and the Transfer Counselor will develop a program of study following guidelines provided by Edinboro University of Pennsylvania and in accordance with the curriculum established by Butler County Community College.
C. To participate in the program, a student is required to sign a letter of intent to transfer from Butler County Community College to Edinboro University of Pennsylvania in the identified Parallel Program and will be provided with a copy of the Parallel Program standards and procedures, an Edinboro University of Pennsylvania Catalogue and relevant information.

D. The student will be expected to follow the appropriate course of study for the Parallel Program at Butler County Community College that will permit the successful completion of the associate degree and allow full articulation to the identified baccalaureate program at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

E. The Transfer Counselor will send the student's program of study to the designated officer at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania when a student declares an intent to enroll in a Parallel Program.

F. Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will review, certify, and return the program of study to the Transfer Counselor within thirty days of receipt of such student's program of study.

G. A student may initiate changes in his/her program of study by contacting the Transfer Counselor at the Butler County Community College who will notify Edinboro University of Pennsylvania regarding such changes. Approval of such changes will be required by both institutions through consultation between the Transfer Counselor and the designated officer of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

H. Butler County Community College students who request transfer to Edinboro University of Pennsylvania prior to completion of the associate of arts or the associate of science degree will be accepted at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania as a regular transfer student.

I. For transfer and admission to Edinboro University of Pennsylvania under the terms of this agreement, the student will be required to present an associate degree from the Butler County Community College and have completed the plan of study required in his or her selected Parallel Program. Students will not be required to repeat courses with a one credit difference except as may be required in the major field of study. All fees and supporting documents in support of application for admission to Edinboro University must be received at least one full academic term prior to the student's enrollment at Edinboro.

J. Any limitations on the acceptance of Butler County Community College transfer credit toward general education and major requirements will be consistent with specific policy for native Edinboro University of Pennsylvania students and the agreement between the State System of Higher Education and the Pennsylvania Community Colleges.
K. Edinboro University of Pennsylvania agrees to waive diagnostic testing for Butler County Community College students who have achieved a grade of C or better in their college level general education courses in written and oral communication and computation. Nothing in this statement will exempt students from university assessment programs that might be established.

L. A residency requirement of the last 32 semester hours taken in residence at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania is required for all students.

M. Remedial and orientation courses, identified as such, do not fulfill baccalaureate graduation requirements, nor will such courses be computed for the cumulative quality point average as defined in the Edinboro University of Pennsylvania catalogue.

N. Butler County Community College students transferring to Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will be treated the same as native Edinboro University of Pennsylvania students of equal class standing for advising, scheduling and registration for the first semester of enrollment at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.

II. Student Services Articulation

A. Butler County Community College students transferring to Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will be treated the same as native Edinboro University of Pennsylvania students of equal class standing when applying for financial aid; in the award and distribution of funds and in eligibility for campus housing.

B. Butler County Community College students transferring to Edinboro University of Pennsylvania will receive consideration for campus housing based upon their class standing.

III. Term of Agreement

Either party may terminate this agreement upon six months written notification to the other party. Students in progress will be permitted to complete the program. Review of this agreement will be made every two years, but failure to conduct such a review shall in no way impair any obligation of this agreement.

The Butler County Community College and Edinboro University of Pennsylvania authorize this agreement to become effective on __________.
IV. Remedies

The sole remedy for any party for a breach of this agreement shall be an action for specific performance; but no action for money damages, attorney's fees, costs or the like may be brought pursuant to this agreement by any party or any person(s) or entity claiming to be a third party beneficiary.

V. The relationship of the parties is that of independent contractors.