

**GUARANTEED ADMISSIONS AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
and  
PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE of TECHNOLOGY**

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018, between Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education and Pennsylvania College of Technology (each a "Party," collectively the "Parties").

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual promises hereinafter expressed and intending to be legally bound hereby, the Parties agree as follows:

**INTRODUCTION**

Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania and Pennsylvania College of Technology agree to establish this Program-to-Program Guaranteed Admissions Agreement ("Agreement") whereby students who complete the requirements for any Associate in Applied Science Degree (A.A.S.) in Early Childhood Education at Pennsylvania College of Technology and meet the admission requirements as stated in this Agreement may enter the fifth semester with at least full junior standing in Bloomsburg University's Bachelor of Science in Education - Early Childhood Education (PK-4) (B.S.Ed) major or Bachelor of Science in Education - Special Education (PK-8)/Early Childhood Education (PK-4) Dual Certification (B.S.Ed) major. The purposes of this Agreement are:

1. To demonstrate the establishment of a seamless Program-to-Program Guaranteed Admissions Agreement that involves the Pennsylvania College of Technology and Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania.
2. To enable qualified graduates of Pennsylvania College of Technology's Early Childhood Program to build upon their education and training by earning a baccalaureate degree.
3. To enable Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania to attract a more diverse population of students to the College of Education.
4. To enable Pennsylvania College of Technology Early Childhood graduates to obtain a quality education at a low cost, and, in doing so, provide the Commonwealth with qualified teachers.
5. To ensure recognition of the continuity of academic progress and transferability of credits between two-year and four-year programs.

**PROCEDURES**

Pennsylvania College of Technology (hereinafter referred to as "PCT") agrees to publicize the opportunity for admission to Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (hereinafter referred to as "BU") under the terms of this Guaranteed Admissions Agreement with current PCT Early Childhood students.

The following items are the responsibility of students participating in this Guaranteed Admissions Program:

1. Complete an Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) in Early Childhood with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater and having required passing scores as set by the Pennsylvania Department of Education on the Basic Skills Test (i.e., SAT, ACT, Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators (Praxis Core), and/or Pre-service Academic Performance Assessment (PAPA).
2. Submit a BU admissions application; the fee will be waived.
3. At the time of the admissions application, provide official transcripts of all college/university courses taken up to and including the previous semester.
4. Upon receiving the A.A.S. in Early Childhood from PCT, students are responsible for providing official PCT transcripts to BU and proof of passing required scores as set by the Pennsylvania Department of Education on the Basic Skills Test (i.e., SAT, ACT, Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators (Praxis Core), and/or Pre-service Academic Performance Assessment (PAPA).
5. Students must pay BU tuition and fees when taking BU courses.

The following items will apply to all matriculated students who have earned the appropriate A.A.S. credential at PCT:

1. A block transfer of 60 credits will be accepted from PCT for graduates with any A.A.S., Early Childhood majors to the BU Early Childhood Education (PK-4) major or the BU Special Education (PK-8)/Early Childhood Education (PK-4) Dual Certification major. Additional courses not used to satisfy requirements for the A.A.S. degree will be evaluated for transfer credit on a course-by-course basis.
2. BU recognizes the PCT A.A.S. degree may be certified and confirmed by the completion of: community college courses, dual enrollment credits, transfer course credits, life experience portfolio credits, developmental course credits, credits from courses with grades below "C," articulated credits from PCT programs, CLEP testing, AP courses, military training credits and any other courses or learning elements that have been accepted by the community college as meeting the requirements for their A.A.S. degree.
3. BU assumes the A.A.S. graduate has fulfilled thirty (30) General Education Points (GEPs) reflective of MyCore, BU's General Education program. Students will fulfill their remaining ten (10) GEPs through the required courses in the BU Early Childhood Education (PK-4) major or the BU Special Education (PK-8)/Early Childhood Education (PK-4) Dual Certification major. These points will be earned by the prescribed courses that have been identified and delivered in the program by the respected departments (Department of Teaching and Learning or the Department of Exceptionality Programs) within the College of Education, to meet the graduation requirements for the BU Early Childhood Education (PK-4) (B.S.Ed) major or the BU Special Education (PK-8)/Early Childhood Education (PK-4) Dual Certification (B.S.Ed) major.

4. An additional fifteen (15) credits of General Education coursework will be required to complete the BU Early Childhood Education (PK-4) (B.S.Ed) major or the BU Special Education (PK-8)/Early Childhood Education (PK-4) Dual Certification (B.S.Ed) major. As part of fulfilling these requirements, all A.A.S. graduates should complete at least one (1) course in each of the following areas: mathematics, natural science, psychology and English. Students will not have to retake these courses if they completed them for their associate degree.
5. Students who elect to change their major at BU will receive a new transfer evaluation using the standard course-by-course method of evaluation.

#### **CONDITIONS OF THE AGREEMENT**

1. BU shall ensure that PCT students who matriculate to BU have all of the rights and privileges of other BU students.
2. Both Parties agree to consult with each other through appropriate channels prior to implementing major changes in policy or curricula that directly affect students transferring under the terms of this Agreement, and keep each other informed of any other changes of policy or curricula that affect those students.
3. Both Parties agree to exchange anonymous aggregate data annually that will contribute to the maintenance and improvement of this Agreement, enhance the transfer process, and promote effective cooperation between the Parties.
4. Each Party will identify an appropriate contact person who will monitor compliance with the terms of this Agreement.
5. The term of this Agreement shall be five (5) years commencing when all applicable signatures are obtained.
6. Either Party may terminate the Agreement upon written notification of the other at least one (1) year in advance of the effective date of termination. Should this Agreement be terminated, it is understood that the termination will not apply to students already accepted to BU under this Agreement. In the event of a substantial breach, such as, a lack of response to requests for information and a lack of adequate participation, either Party may terminate this agreement by written notice at least one (1) year in advance of the effective date of termination.
7. The relationship of the Parties to this contract shall not be construed to constitute a partnership, joint venture, or any other relationship, other than that of independent contractors.
8. Neither of the Parties shall assume any liabilities as a result of this Agreement. As to liability to each other or death to persons, or damages to property, the Parties do not waive any defense as a result of entering into this contract. This provision shall not be construed to limit BU or PCT's rights, claims or defenses, which arise as a matter of law pursuant to any provisions of this contract. This provision shall not be construed to limit the sovereign immunity, as applicable, or any other immunities afforded to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education, BU, or PCT, by law or otherwise.
9. This Agreement represents the understanding between the Parties at this time. This Agreement contains the entire Agreement between the Parties regarding the subject matter herein and supersedes any prior written agreement, oral understanding or any other representation or statement between the Parties regarding this subject matter.


10. This Agreement can be modified only by written agreement of both parties.
11. This Agreement shall be governed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
12. Both Parties agree to continue their respective policies of nondiscrimination in regard to sex, age, race, color, creed, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, veteran status or any other status protected by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972, the American with Disabilities Act, or any other applicable federal, state, or local law. The parties agree to reasonably cooperate with each other in any investigation of claims of discrimination or harassment, to the extent permitted by law.
13. Any notices pertaining to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly to have been given if personally delivered to the other Party, sent by facsimile or if sent by the United States Postal Service certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid or by Federal Express, United Parcel Service or other nationally-recognized overnight carrier. All notices or communications between BU and PCT pertaining to this Agreement shall be addressed as follows:

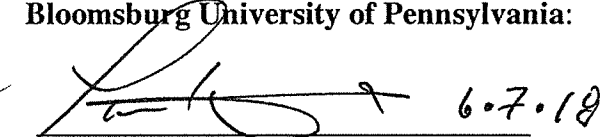
The willingness of both institutions to enter this Agreement in order to facilitate the transfer of students from PCT into BU, and to expand their opportunities for academic success there, is indicated by the following signatures.

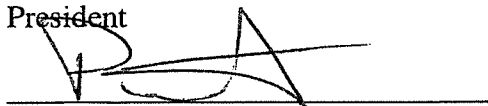
In WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed pursuant to due and legal action authorizing the same to be done the date first written below.

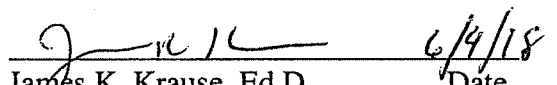
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**Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania:**

  
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 Davie Jane Gilmour, Ph.D.      Date  
 President

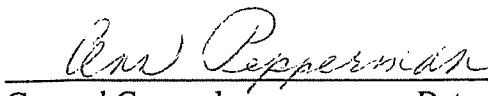
  
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 Bashar W. Hanna, Ph.D.      Date  
 University President

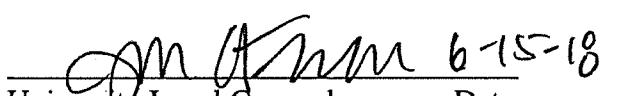
  
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 Paul Starkey, Ph.D.      Date  
 Vice President for Academic Affairs  
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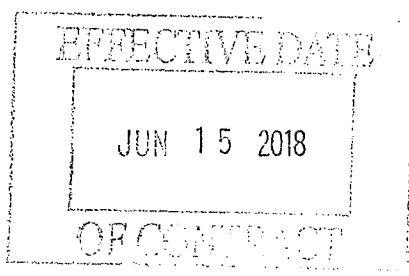
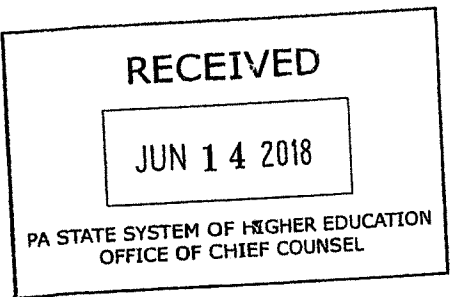
  
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 James K. Krause, Ed.D.      Date  
 Interim Provost and Senior Vice President  
 for Academic Affairs

**Approved as to Form and Legality:**

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 General Counsel      Date  
 Pennsylvania College of Technology

  
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 University Legal Counsel      Date  
 Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education



**Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania**  
 and  
**Pennsylvania College of Technology**  
**Articulation Agreement**  
**Early Childhood Education (PK-4) Certification Program of Study Requirements**  
**(Students MUST complete 120 credits to graduate)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Passed Gateway Exam \_\_\_\_\_

Early Childhood Ed (PK-4) – PTE (12 cr.)	Cr.	Gr.	Sem.
EDFOUND 406 – Multicultural Ed.	3		
EDFOUND 204 – Ed. Computing & Tech	3		
ENGLISH 384 - Children's Literature	3		
PROFSTUD 494 – ESL Strategies/Meth	3		

Special Education (PK-4) – PTE (6 cr.)	Cr.	Gr.	Sem.
SPECED 275 – Linking Assessment	3		
SPECED 358 – Methods of Instruct	3		

**Early Childhood Ed – TE Advanced Sequence (45 cr.)**

Cr.	Gr.	Sem.
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Required Electives (9 cr.)	Cr.	Gr.	Sem.
ENGLISH 151, 152, 156,	3		
MUS 101, MUS 105, THE 102 OR THE 103	3		
PHYSICS 103	3		

\*Required to complete 1 pt in goal 9

\*Required two college level maths

Note: A GPA of 3.0 is required for admittance into this program.

**Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania**  
 and  
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**Articulation Agreement**  
**Special Education (PK-8)/Early Childhood Education (PK-4) Dual Certification Undergraduate Major**  
**(Students MUST complete 120 credits to graduate)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Passed Gateway Exam \_\_\_\_\_ Passed Basic Skills Test \_\_\_\_\_

Early Childhood Ed (PK-4) – PTE (6 cr.)	Cr.	Gr.	Sem.
EDFOUND 406 – Multicultural Ed.	3		
PROFSTUD 494 – ESL Strategies/Meth	3		

Special Education (PK-8) – PTE (12 cr.)	Cr.	Gr.	Sem.
SPECED 202 – Tech Ind Dis	3		
SPECED 206 – Int Early Inter	3		
SPECED 275 – Linking Assessment	3		
SPECED 358 – Methods of Instruction	3		

Early Childhood Ed – TE Advanced Sequence (15 cr.)	Cr.	Gr.	Sem.
ELEMED 343 – Assessment in ECE or PROFSTUD 301 – Teach. Learn. & Assess.	3		
ELEMED 331 – Tch Sci/Env Ed PK-4	3		
ELEMED 334 – Tch Rdg EC 1-4	3		
ELEMED 336 – Tch Soc St EC PK-4	3		
ELEMED 340 – Tch Math EC 1-4	3		

Special Education – TE Advanced Sequence (30)	Cr.	Gr.	Sem.
SPECED 417 Behav Interv/Support	3		
SPECED 430 – Inst Pract PrK-8 (Mod/Sev)	3		
SPECED 433 – Literacy Instr	3		
SPECED 449 – Academic Assess Inst	3		
SPECED 450 – Inst Prac Pk-8 (Mild)	3		
SPECED 461 – Student Teaching Seminar	3		
SPECED 488 – Student Teaching I	6		
SPECED 489 – Student Teaching II	6		

Required Electives (9 cr.)	Cr.	Gr.	Sem.
ENGLISH 151, 152, OR 156	3		
MUS 101, MUS 105, THE 102, OR THE 103	3		
PHYSICS 103	3		

Required to complete one GEP in Goal 9  
 Required two college level maths

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