

## Articulation Agreement

Associate in Science (AS) degree in Pre-Bioinformatics and the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Applied Computer Science (Bioinformatics Track)

Rochester Community & Technical College, Rochester, Minnesota and Winona State University, Rochester, Minnesota

### Statement of Purpose

This agreement has been entered into by Rochester Community and Technical College and Winona State University. The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate credit transfer and provide a smooth transition from one related degree program to another. It is further recognized that the attached appendix or appendices shall describe the required program of study at Winona State University, for admission eligibility to Winona State University, in the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Applied Computer Science (Bioinformatics Track). This agreement identifies all required and equivalent courses at each institution.

### Terms and Conditions of Credit Transfer:

The evaluation and transfer of earned college credits shall be in full compliance with MnSCU policies and all other state and Federal education policies pertaining to undergraduate credit transfer. Current students and graduates, who have earned degrees, certificates or diplomas from Rochester Community and Technical College, shall be eligible for credit evaluation under the terms of this agreement. Program specific requirements and/or required courses are listed and defined in Appendix A of this agreement.

Transfer students will be accorded the same standards and criteria for admission to a major degree sequence as Winona State University students.

- **Associate in Science degree** transfer students will transfer the first two years of an articulated baccalaureate degree program.

Applicants accepted must fulfill the graduation requirements of the granting institution as identified in appendix A.

### Joint Admission Option

Students may be admitted to both institutions simultaneously. With joint admissions, students receive a place in the Winona State University Applied Computer Science (Bioinformatics Track) upon transfer from the Rochester Community and Technical College Associate in Science (AS) Pre-Bioinformatics Program if they meet the requirements listed on Appendix A. Students may also:

- Concurrently enroll in courses at both institutions.
- Have access to advising and other services at both institutions

### Collaboration Practices

Faculty at both institutions will cooperate in scheduling course offerings in a convenient, flexible manner. The resources of both institutions, including faculty and space, will be used in a manner that enhances the educational opportunities available to students. In addition:

- Each institution will jointly offer sponsored courses when appropriate.
- Tuition and fees will be paid to the institution from which the student takes a course as specified in appendix A..
- Both institutions will work together to develop counseling, advising, transcription, registration and financial aid procedures to facilitate concurrent enrollment of students.
- Both institutions will inform potential students about this program.

### Articulation Implementation and Agreement Review

The Chief Academic Officer or designee of the collaborating institutions, shall be responsible for implementing this agreement, for identifying and incorporating any changes into subsequent agreements, and for conducting a periodic review of this agreement. This agreement becomes effective on September 1, 2006 and remains in effect unless terminated or amended by either party with prior written notice.

Sending Institution		Receiving Institution	
_____ President	_____ Date	_____ President	_____ Date
_____ Chief Academic Officer	_____ Date	_____ Chief Academic Officer	_____ Date
_____ Dean or Designee	_____ Date	_____ Dean or Designee	_____ Date
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