Articulation Agreement

Between

Texas A&M University-Commerce and Eastfield College

Regarding the

Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Degree
Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice Degree

This Agreement becomes effective upon December 17, 2015 and shall apply for students transferring from Eastfield College to Texas A&M University-Commerce (A&M-Commerce) beginning the fall 2016 semester.

This Agreement is made and entered into between A&M-Commerce, a member of The Texas A&M University System, an entity of the State of Texas, and Eastfield College, a local government entity.

1. Purpose of Agreement:

The purpose of this Agreement is to enable Eastfield College students who successfully complete the articulated courses as outlined in this Agreement (see Appendix A) to transfer to A&M-Commerce in a seamless transition without loss of semester credit hours towards the completion of the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice degree and Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice degree.

2. Terms of Agreement:

A. Responsibilities of A&M-Commerce:

A&M-Commerce hereby agrees as follows:

i. To admit and accept in full the course work as outlined in Appendix A for those Eastfield College students who have been determined by A&M-Commerce to qualify for admission to A&M-Commerce and the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice program or Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice program.

ii. To develop and provide materials related to a seamless transition to the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree program, leading to a Criminal Justice degree, in cooperation between Eastfield College and A&M-Commerce.

iii. Post on A&M-Commerce website the articulated Eastfield College/A&M-Commerce community college 2-year planning guide.

iv. To provide and teach A&M-Commerce courses articulated in this Agreement.

v. To provide Eastfield College advisors with information and support in helping them with their role of assisting Eastfield College students with
transfer and degree program advising.

vi. To maintain ongoing collaboration and monitoring of the program through the head of the A&M-Commerce Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice.

vii. To arrange and coordinate academic accommodations for qualified disabled students enrolled in A&M-Commerce courses through the A&M-Commerce office of Student Disability Resources and Services.

viii. To bill and collect from students participating in this program applicable A&M-Commerce tuition and fees as set by A&M-Commerce and approved by The Texas A&M University System Board of Regents.

ix. To advise students that A&M-Commerce's academic requirements, policies, procedures, tuition and fees are subject to change; and that change information can be found on the A&M-Commerce website, bulletins, or other locations.

x. A&M-Commerce will work with Eastfield College in providing reverse transfer arrangements for any students transferring from Eastfield College to A&M-Commerce prior to earning an associate degree.

xi. Provide Eastfield College students with scholarship and financial aid information through admission and advising materials.

xii. A&M-Commerce cannot guarantee this program in perpetuity; therefore, it is important that the parties and students participating in this program understand that this Agreement will not constitute a binding contract regarding the ongoing or future offerings of the academic program outlined herein.

xiii. A&M-Commerce is an equal opportunity institution, and shall not discriminate unlawfully against any Eastfield College student, applicant, or employee, nor shall it deny the benefits provided its own degree-seeking students to any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, disability, marital status, age or gender.

B. Responsibilities of Eastfield College:

Eastfield College hereby agrees as follows:

i. To admit and enroll Eastfield College students in lower division courses taught by Eastfield College as part of this articulated degree program.

ii. To provide Eastfield College students with A&M-Commerce course listings for this program through bulletin and web postings, advising materials, and other appropriate media.
iii. To assist in advising Eastfield College/A&M-Commerce students in this program through one or more designated Eastfield College academic advisor(s).

iv. To communicate to Eastfield College students enrolling at A&M-Commerce, of A&M-Commerce academic requirements, policies, procedures, tuition and fees and that these are subject to change, that A&M-Commerce cannot guarantee the program in perpetuity, and that future offerings cannot be guaranteed beyond the terms of this Agreement.

v. To provide a list of prospective students to A&M-Commerce, for communication purposes, every semester.

vi. Eastfield College is an equal opportunity institution, and shall not discriminate unlawfully against any A&M-Commerce student, applicant, or employee, nor shall it deny the benefits provided its own degree-seeking students to any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, disability, marital status, age or gender.

C. Responsibilities of Both Institutions:

A program review will occur annually to assess the current performance of the program and consider future modifications.

D. Course Delivery

i. Each institution agrees to offer courses as outlined in the Articulation Degree plan (see Appendix A). A&M-Commerce will offer a minimum of 41 hours of coursework towards the major (41 hours) and Eastfield College may offer a maximum of 21 hours of elective coursework towards the remaining hours needed to complete 120 total credit hours. Because of possible changes in degree requirements imposed by the state and program modifications and changes that occasionally occur, Eastfield College students transferring to A&M-Commerce must follow Eastfield College, A&M-Commerce, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) policies regarding degree program criteria.

ii. Admission and enrollment in the A&M-Commerce Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice program can occur during any semester.

E. Waivers to A&M-Commerce Graduation Requirements:

Advanced Level Courses: Students will be exempt from the requirement to complete a minimum of 60 semester hours (SH) at A&M-Commerce or another senior level institution. However, students must complete 41 SH of advanced level (upper Level) courses at Texas A&M-Commerce with a grade of “C” (2.0) or better.

F. Compliance with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC):

The following provisions are incorporated into this agreement:

i. Eastfield College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACSCOC), and all Eastfield College instructors of courses in this articulated program will remain in compliance with criteria as described in SACS Principle 3.7.1 of the SACSCOC Principles of Accreditation as described in the SACSCOC Faculty Credentials Guidelines.

ii. It is understood by both parties that all students receiving the Bachelor of Science degree or Bachelor of Arts from A&M-Commerce must comply with SACSCOC Principle 3.5.2 of the Principles of Accreditation. This Principle requires that “at least 25% of the credit hours required for the degree are earned through instruction offered by the institution awarding the degree.” Additional courses may be required to meet this Principle.

iii. It is understood by both parties that all students receiving the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice degree from A&M-Commerce must comply with SACSCOC Principle 3.5.4 of the Principles of Accreditation. This Principle requires that “at least 25% of the discipline course hours in each major at the baccalaureate level are taught by faculty members holding the terminal degree – usually the earned doctorate – in the discipline, or the equivalent of the terminal degree.” Additional courses may be required to meet this Principle.

iv. While Eastfield College may award an associate degree and A&M-Commerce may award a baccalaureate degree to a student completing all of the requirements, this Agreement does not constitute a joint degree to be awarded, which means that only the A&M-Commerce name will appear on the diploma and transcript for the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice.

3. Term of Agreement:

This Agreement shall operate on an ongoing basis. It may only be modified by a written agreement signed by legally authorized officials of both institutions. The Agreement will operate as a commitment for each cohort admitted to A&M-Commerce for this combined degree.

4. Termination:

Upon implementation, this Agreement will continue on an annual basis until one of the parties petitions, in writing, the other party to end this Agreement. This Agreement will be reviewed jointly on an annual basis and updated as necessary.

Such petition to end this Agreement: 1) must be submitted one-year in advance of the intent to terminate; 2) must be submitted in writing and signed by the college/university president making the petition; and 3) must be delivered to the second party to the Agreement. Delivery of the intent to terminate will constitute
formal notification and will serve as grounds for termination one-year following the date of delivery.

5. **Dispute Resolution:**

The dispute resolution process provided in Chapter 2260, Texas Government Code, and the related rules adopted by the Texas Attorney General pursuant to Chapter 2260, shall be used by A&M-Commerce and Eastfield College to attempt to resolve any claim for breach of contract made by either party that cannot be resolved in the ordinary course of business. The parties shall submit written notice of a claim of breach of contract under this Chapter to the representative undersigned party, who shall examine the claim and any counterclaim and negotiate with the other respective party in an effort to resolve the claim.

The designated individual for examining any claim or counterclaim and conducting any negotiations related thereto as required under §2260.052 of H.B. 826 of the 76th Texas Legislature shall be:

Mr. Bert A. White, Director
Contract Administration
Texas A&M University-Commerce
P.O. Box 3011
Commerce, TX 75429-3011

6. **Governing Law and Venue:**

This Agreement shall be governed and interpreted pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas. Pursuant to Section 85.81, Texas Education Code, venue for any suit filed against A&M-Commerce shall be in the county in which the primary office of the Chief Executive Officer of A&M-Commerce is located. At the time of this Agreement, such county is Hunt County, Texas.

7. **Amendments, Changes or Modifications:**

No amendment, change or modification to this Agreement may be made without formal written agreement of both parties.

8. **Contacts:**

**Eastfield College**
3737 Motley Drive
Mesquite, TX 75150-2099
Dr. Jean Conway, President

**Texas A&M University-Commerce**
P.O. Box 3011
Commerce, Texas 75429-3011
Dr. Dan Jones, President
The parties hereto certify that they have the authority to execute this Agreement and that the covenants contained herein are within their respective statutory authority to fulfill. The undersigned parties bind themselves to the faithful performance of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties execute this Agreement.

SIGNATURES:

EASTFIELD COLLEGE

[Signature]
Dr. Jean Conway, President

[Signature]
Michael Gutierrez, Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs and Student Success

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Date
12/17/15

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TAMU UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE

[Signature]
Dr. Dan Jones, President & CEO

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Dr. Adolfo Benavides, Provost and Vice President, Academic Affairs

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### Appendix A

Eastfield College/Texas A&M University-Commerce  
Major: Criminal Justice  
2015-2016

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**020 Mathematics 3 hours: 1 course**  
MATH 1314  
MATH 179: Math Applications/Philosophy  
MATH 1324: Elementary Statistical Methods  
*MATH 1314 or 1414*  
MATH 2342: Elementary Statistical Methods

**030 Life and Physical Sciences 6 hours: chosen from core curriculum**

**040 Language, Philosophy & Culture 3 hours: chosen from core curriculum**

**050 Creative Arts 3 hours: chosen from core curriculum**

**060 History 6 hours**  
HIST 1301  
HIST 1302  
HIST 1301 U.S. History I  
HIST 1302 U.S. History II

**070 Government/Political Science 6 hours**  
GOVT 2305 American Government I  
GOVT 2306 American Government II

**080 Social & Behavioral Sciences**  
SOC 1301 Intro Sociology  
SOC 1301 Intro Sociology

**090 Component Area Option**  
SPC 1315  
SPCH 1315 Public Speaking  
Degree Pathway (took the place of FRA courses): BS requires an additional Math or Science (3hrs.) BA requires additional 3hrs, but I suggest ANTH 2351 or SOC 1301 (if SOC 1301 wasn’t taken in their Social & Behavioral Science Elective area).

**Major Courses**  
The major includes a minimum of 58 semester credit hours. (2.0 minimum GPA, NO Ds)

**Required Major Criminal Justice Core (24 SCH total)**  
CI 101 Intro CJ  
CI 201 Police Systems and Practices  
CI 328 Juvenile Justice System  
CI 330 Crime and Criminology  
CI 301 Criminal Investigation  
CI 430 Courts and Criminal Procedure or 431 Criminal Law  
CI 468 Correctional System or CJ 478 Community-Based Corrections  
CI 470 Internship or CJ 480 Senior Seminar

**Required Major Support Courses (22 SCH total)**  
ANTH 2351 World Cultures  
ANTH 2351: Global Cultures  
SOC 1301 Intro Sociology  
SOC 1301  
SOC 320 Deviant Behavior  
SOC 331 Introduction to Social Research  
SOC 332 Methods of Soc Analysis
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**Additional Electives Required**

Electives required to meet 120 hour minimum program hours
Other graduation requirements: 60hrs. requirement waived
36hrs. must be advanced hours (300-400 level courses)
41hrs. of residency at TAMUC

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**Advising Notes:**

Please note that not all Eastfield Community College courses will directly transfer to Texas A&M University-Commerce. Please speak with the academic advisor about which courses directly transfer to the university.

**Contacts:** Dr. Martha Henderson Hurley, Department Head, Sociology and Criminal Justice and Dr. Sharon Johnson, Associate Vice President for Student Access and Success
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### UNIVERSITY STUDIES

The courses below may be taken at Jr. Colleges (excluding capstone) **42 Semester Hours**

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### REQUIRED MAJOR COURSES

58 Total Semester Hours (2.0 GPA, NO D’s)

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12 Semester Hours (2.0 GPA, NO D’s)

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### Required Support Courses:

| Creative Arts: | ANTH 2351 | 3 |
| Science Course | SOC 1301   | 3 |
| Science Course | SOC 320    | 3 |
| Literature, Philosophy, & Culture | SOC 331 | 3 |
| Social & Behavioral Science (Advised: SOC 1301 or ANTH 2351) | SOC 370 | 3 |
|                           | PSY 316, 317, 322, or 339 | 3 |

### Graduation Requirements:

- **120 Total Semester hours**
- **41hrs. completed at TAMUC**
- **36hrs. must be advanced courses**
- **Students may have to take elective courses to help meet the 120 total hours for graduation.**

*Note: You must complete a minimum of 120 hours to be eligible for graduation.*

Consult catalog or advisor for any prerequisites, co-requisites, and/or other course requirements.

Academic Advisor Signature __________________________ Date __________

Student Signature __________________________ Date __________