

**Prison Education Initiative Statewide Articulation Agreement
Between
The Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology
and
The Tennessee Department of Corrections
For the Period of Spring 2020 through Spring 2023
For the Cosmetology program**

The Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology hereinafter referred to as the "TCATs" and the Tennessee Department of Correction hereinafter referred to as the "TDOC" have entered into a statewide partnership which promotes student transfer and program articulation. The partnership is for the purpose of providing eligible justice involved re-entry students the opportunity to receive clock hour credit upon successful completion of a qualified program at a TDOC facility as further defined below.

OVERVIEW

In accordance with the guidelines set forth by the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) , the Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC), and the procedures established by the individual TCATs, identified in Attachment B, the parties hereby enter into this Agreement to provide the eligible prison transition students the opportunity to receive clock hour credit upon successful completion of a qualified program at a TDOC facility as outlined in "APPENDIX A."

The TCATs determine awarded credits based upon the completed coursework

1. TDOC will indicate on {student training record} the specific coursework completed, and certifications taken and passed (if known).
2. When evaluating student training record, the TCAT will award clock hour credit based on coursework identified in "APPENDIX A."
3. In addition, TCATs may also evaluate {student training record} on a course-by-course basis.
4. Students must meet the standards and follow the procedures of the individual TCAT student handbook and curriculum for the year they enrolled in the articulated course/program or follow the current year TCAT student handbook and curriculum.
5. This agreement will remain in effect until modified or rescinded by the duly authorized signatories thereof.
6. The TCAT shall:
 - a. Designate a responsible party to provide oversight of details and disseminate general program information to students.
 - b. Determine course(s) to award clock hour credit based upon recommendation of content faculty.
 - c. Agree to review every three years the certifications/courses and/or Student Learning Outcomes for which clock hour credit will be awarded.
7. This agreement will commence the trimester following the signing thereof.