



**Memorandum of Understanding
on Program Articulation Agreements between
Pierce College District
and
Pacific Lutheran University (PLU)**

In order to benefit both Pacific Lutheran University and Pierce College (The Parties) in the recruitment of transfer students, we will continue to collaborate to create seamless educational opportunities for students wishing to pursue a baccalaureate degree at PLU. This document outlines the basic component of the transfer agreement designed to begin with the students completing an **Associate of Arts - Direct Transfer Agreement** at Pierce College and then moving to the **Bachelor of Arts in Education** at Pacific Lutheran University.

This agreement will identify the sequence of courses that will transfer to Pacific Lutheran University's **Bachelor of Arts in Education** and the specific requirements governing the transfer of each program.

General Requirements and Guidelines for Transfer Students:

Students may transfer in a maximum of 64 semester credit hours (96-quarter credit hours). This articulation agreement will focus on the transfer of credits for the Bachelor of Arts in Education.

Pre-Requisites Required Courses for Admission:

Pacific Lutheran University Course	Pierce College Course
PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology	PSYC& 100 General Psychology
<i>WRIT 100TR English Composition I</i>	ENGL& 101 English Composition I
MATH 123 Modern Elementary Math I: Number Sense and Algebraic Sense (only for Elementary Education)	MATH& 131 Structure of Elementary Mathematics 1: Number Systems and Problem Solving

Course Equivalencies for Teacher Certification*:

Pacific Lutheran University Course	Pierce College Course
MUSI 341 Music for Classroom Teachers	MUSC 205 Music for Teachers
ARTD 340 Elementary Art Education	ART 215 Art for Teachers
PHED 322 Physical Education in the Elementary School	No Equivalency
MATH 124 Modern Elementary Math II: Measurement, Geometric Sense, Statistics and Probability	MATH& 132 Structure of Elementary Mathematics 2: Geometry and Statistics
Physical Science	Various courses, verify with an advisor**
Life Science	Various courses, verify with an advisor**

* Strongly recommended before entering the program. If any of these requirements are not met, the candidate may need to overload, take summer coursework, or take additional time to graduate on time.

**OCEA& 101 Introduction to Oceanography will provide credit for the Physical *or* Life Science requirement (but not both).

Requirements to Apply to the Bachelor of Arts in Education Degree Program:

- Apply and be accepted to PLU.
- Apply and be accepted to the PLU School of Education & Kinesiology.
- Have completed a minimum of 60 semester credit hours (satisfied with completed AA-DTA).
- Have grades of C or better in PSYC 101, WRIT 101, and MATH 123 or equivalent.
- Have a 2.75 cumulative grade point average.
- Passing (240) WEST-B Scores or equivalent SAT/ACT Score.
- Application Essay: Explain your views on the role of education in society and your reasons for wanting to enter the teaching profession. Indicate how your talents, skills, and experiences might contribute to the community. 500-750 words.
- Two letters of recommendation: one specific to your work with young people and one specific to your academics (college/university).
- Submit official transcripts from the institutions attended.
- Complete an interview.
- If students earn an Associate of Arts - Direct Transfer Agreement from Pierce College, they will have satisfied all core and general university requirements with the exception of four semester hours in Religion (RC) and Diversity. A Religion and Diversity course must be taken at PLU.

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