

**TRANSFER AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
Technical College of the Rockies (TCR)  
And  
Western Colorado Community College (WCCC)  
*A Division of Colorado Mesa University***

Technical College of the Rockies (TCR) and Western Colorado Community College (WCCC) hereby enter into the following agreement to co-develop and adopt public policy statements governing transfer between the Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) certificate program offered at TCR and the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Criminal Justice degree offered at WCCC. This public policy statement shall be known as the Transfer Agreement. Determination of specific course acceptance is depicted in Section II. Students applying under this agreement will still need to meet WCCC application requirements and will follow all application procedures. Any additional requirements specific to the degree program here listed will be addressed in the agreement. All WCCC academic policies will apply.

**SECTION I: ADMISSIONS CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES**

**A. WCCC is an open admission institution**

Applicants who apply for the WCCC AAS degree as outlined in this agreement must have completed the TCR POST certificate program and must have followed the TCR plan included in Appendix A.

1. Applicants who have not followed the POST program as it appears in Appendix A and/or have not been awarded the POST certificate are not covered under this agreement.
2. Once accepted into the AAS program, students must receive a grade of "C" or better in each required course and must maintain a 2.0 GPA in order to proceed to graduation.

**B. Treatment of GPA earned at TCR**

The letter grades on courses at TCR accepted for transfer by WCCC will appear on the WCCC transcript as transfer grades. The grade point average earned at TCR shall be used solely for the purpose of admission to the WCCC AAS program. Only the grades and credits awarded at WCCC will be used in calculating a student's GPA for graduation.

**C. Admission of TCR students with prior transfer credits**

Use by TCR of credit hours earned at a school other than TCR will not affect the admissibility of the student. Usage of these courses at WCCC may fall under conditions depicted in Section II of this agreement.

**SECTION II: TRANSFER OF CREDIT**

**A. Admissibility of prior transfer credit courses**

Students who receive the POST certificate from TCR, but fulfilled some of the credit hours at a school outside of the Colorado Community College System are subject to the following conditions:

1. Transfer courses accepted by TCR toward general education are acceptable to the WCCC AAS degree as long as the transfer institution is regionally accredited.
2. WCCC will reserve the right to evaluate on a course-by-course basis any accepted transfer courses for use toward portions of the WCCC associate degree requirements.

**B. WCCC treatment of AP exams, CLEP scores and other non-traditional credit in transfer**

Non-traditional credits awarded by TCR may include high school Advanced Placement (AP) exams, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) subject examinations and military credit. Credit awarded by TCR through these means may need to follow WCCC established non-traditional credit policies before receiving credit toward the associate degree. The total combination of any non-traditional credit toward any WCCC associate degree cannot exceed 20 semester credits.

C. Number of credit hours accepted in transfer by CMU

Thirty-six (36) semester credit hours will be accepted in transfer under this agreement when the student has followed the TCR program as it appears in Appendix A and been awarded the POST certificate. Students will still need to complete the number of credit hours shown in Appendix B for an AAS.

1. Students who may have taken additional college courses which do not apply to the POST certificate program may request that additional courses be considered on a course-by-course basis.
2. All courses considered for transfer must have been awarded a minimum letter grade of "C" or better.

**SECTION III: DEGREE/PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

A. CMU policies governing Essential Learning requirements

1. All associate level degrees at CMU require a minimum of 15 semester credit hours of Essential Learning Courses.
2. The Wellness requirement consists of two one-credit hour courses and is required in all associate degree programs.

B. WCCC requirements for the Associate of Applied Science in Criminal Justice degree program

Full requirements for this degree program are contained in the table in Appendix B.


**SECTION IV: INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

A. Term of articulation agreement


This articulation agreement shall become effective 08/10/2020 and shall remain in force for a period of three (3) years or until such time as institutional policies require modification of the agreement.

**SECTION V: SIGNATURES**

  
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Brigitte Sandermann, Vice President Community College Affairs, WCCC  
1/29/21  
Date

  
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Kurt Haas, Vice President Academic Affairs, Colorado Mesa University  
1/28/21  
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Timothy Foster, President, Colorado Mesa University  
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Allen Golden, Director, Technical College of the Rockies  
1/29/21  
Date

Date: September 10, 2020  
To: Administration, Technical College of the Rockies  
From: The Office of the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, Colorado Mesa University  
Re: Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Colorado Mesa University (CMU) agrees to the following points in accepting Technical College of the Rockies (TCR) Certificate in Law Enforcement Academy course credits towards the Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S) degree in Criminal Justice at CMU. This understanding is intended to only cover the said A.A.S. degree program as newly approved for the 2020-2021 academic year. This memo agreement shall become effective 08/10/2020 and shall remain in force for a period of three (3) years.

Points:

- Students applying under this agreement will still need to meet minimum Colorado Mesa University application requirements and will follow all application procedures as outlined in the Colorado Mesa University catalog.
- Applicants must have followed the TCR curriculum included as Attachment (A) and must have been awarded the Certificate in Law Enforcement Academy. Applicants who do not meet the requirements and conditions specific to this certificate program will not be covered under this agreement.
- Academy Courses, or a Certificate in Law Enforcement, older than five (5) years prior to The date of matriculation into the A.A.S. Criminal Justice program at CMU will not be accepted unless one of the following conditions is met: 1.) completion of a POST Refresher Academy course at a recognized Colorado POST Approved Academy, or 2.) documentation and proof of active duty law enforcement experience for at least three (3) of the last five (5) years prior to matriculation.
- Once accepted into the A.A.S in Criminal Justice program at CMU, students must receive a letter grade of "C" or better in each required course and must maintain a 2.0 GPA overall in order to proceed to graduation. Only the grades and credits awarded at Colorado Mesa University will be used in calculating a student's GPA for graduation.
- A maximum of thirty-one (31) semester course credit hours from the TCR completed certificate program will be accepted in transfer, as they appear in Attachment (A) under the following understanding:
  1. Thirty-one (31) of these credit hours from the TCR academy training courses will be accepted toward the Police Officers Standard Training (P.O.S.T.) core required, and the physical fitness course (KINA 127) for the A.A.S. in Criminal Justice at CMU.
  2. Completion of the TCR Certificate in Law Enforcement that allows thirty-one (31) credits awarded in transfer from TCR must be completed prior to acceptance for admission to CMU for pursuit of the A.A.S. in Criminal Justice. The total of 31 hours cannot be transferred to CMU, subsequent to completion of 15 semester credit hours of A.A.S. program course requirements, other than the P.O.S.T. core.

This may violate the academic residency policy for associate degrees at CMU (see the following bullet point).

- Colorado Mesa University policy requires that 15 of the last thirty semester credit hours of an associate degree be taken "in residence" (as a CMU registered student).
- All courses considered for transfer must have been awarded a letter grade of "C" or better.
- TCR courses will be transferred as their Colorado Mesa University equivalent courses according to the table in Appendix (A). Any course whose use has been determined as specific only to this agreement is considered a substitute course and not an equivalent course.
- All Colorado Mesa University academic policies will apply.
- Each party may terminate this agreement, prior to expiration, by written notice delivered to the other party at least one semester prior to the start of the ensuing semester where the agreement will no longer be in effect.

The following parties are witness to this document and are in agreement with the content:

  
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Allen Golden, Director, Technical College of the Rockies

Date 1/29/21

  
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Kurt Haas, Vice President, Academic Affairs, Colorado Mesa University

Date 1/28/21

**APPENDIX A**

**Law Enforcement Academy**

***Qualified Federal Financial Aid Program***

In our state-certified Law Enforcement Academy, we provide training for students interested in becoming patrol officers. Our program meets the basic training requirements set by the State of Colorado as a prerequisite for taking the test to become Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) certified. Students who successfully complete the 36-credit Law Enforcement Academy will receive a vocational certificate. They will also have the necessary academic and practical skills to take the POST certification test.

<b>COURSE</b>		<b>CREDITS</b>
LEA 101	Basic Police Academy I	6
LEA 102	Basic Police Academy II	12
LEA 105	Basic Law	8
LEA 106	Arrest Control Techniques	3
LEA 107	Law Enforcement Driving	3
LEA 108	Firearms	3
PED 110	Fitness Center Activity I	1
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36</b>

**LEA101 Basic Police Academy I**

**Credits**

**6**

Conforms to POST standards and state certification requirements as well as the basic skills and knowledge necessary to perform the entry level duties of a peace officer. Emphasis will be on simulating actual situations utilizing a lecture and laboratory mode of learning.

**LEA102 Basic Police Academy II**

**Credits**

**12**

Conforms to POST standards and state certification requirements as well as the basic skills and knowledge to perform the entry level duties of a peace officer. Emphasis will be on simulating actual situations utilizing a lecture and laboratory mode of learning.

**LEA105 Basic Law**

**Credits**

**8**

Conforms to POST standards and state certification requirements as well as the basic skills and knowledge necessary to perform the entry level duties of a peace officer. Emphasis will be on United States Constitution, arrest, search and seizure, interrogation and confessions, rules of evidence, Colorado Criminal Code, Colorado Traffic Code, Colorado Children's Code, Liquor Code and controlled substances.

**LEA106 Arrest Control Techniques**

**Credits**

**3**

Covers the skills, knowledge and abilities necessary to effectively maintain control of a suspect when making an arrest. Emphasizes the continuum of force and de-escalation of force.

**LEA107 Law Enforcement Driving**

**Credits**

**3**

Covers the skills, knowledge and abilities required for operation of a law enforcement vehicle. Emphasizes defensive driving. Enables students to demonstrate skills by driving a vehicle under simulated conditions.

**LEA108 Firearms**

**3**

**Credits**

Discusses the skills, knowledge and abilities necessary to safely use police firearms. Students will demonstrate skills by firing weapons on a firing range. The students will demonstrate basic safety techniques and will explain the firearms role within the continuum of force.

**PED110 Fitness Center Activity I**

**1**

**Credits**

Focuses on improving total fitness via an aerobic circuit training program. Includes an individual fitness evaluation, computerized analysis of results, and a prescribed exercise program. Covers the basic components of fitness including flexibility, muscular strength, muscular endurance, cardiovascular fitness, and body composition. Weight machines, stationary bicycles, and computerized cardiovascular equipment are incorporated to elicit improvements in fitness.

Attachment A

Course equivalencies:

TCR courses (Certificate in Law Enforcement)

CMU courses (P.O.S.T. Academy core)

	Sem cr hr.		Sem cr hr.
LEA101A Basic Police Academy I	6	CRJW101 Basic Police Academy I	6
LEA102A Basic Police Academy II	12	CRJW102 Basic Police Academy II	10
LEA105A Basic Law	8	CRJW105 Basic Law	6
LEA106A Arrest Control Techniques	3	CRJW106 Arrest Control	3
LEA107A Law Enforcement Driving	3	CRJW107 Law Enforcement Driving	2
LEA108A Firearms	3	CRJW108 Firearms	3
PED 101A Fitness Center Activity I	1	KINA127 Physical Conditioning	1
Total semester credit hours:	36		31

**APPENDIX B**

**Course Articulation**

Technical College of the Rockies (TCR) emphasis in POST (Peace Officer Standards and Training)	Credits	Western Colorado Community College (WCCC) AAS in Criminal Justice	Required Credits	CMU Credits to Complete AAS
		<i>Essential Learning Requirements</i>		
		English Composition ENGL 111 & English Composition ENGL 112 or Speechmaking SPCH 102	6	6
		Mathematics MATH 108 (or higher) MATH 108 is a 4-credit hour course; however, if a student completes a higher level Essential learning eligible Mathematics course at 3 credit hours, that course would fulfill the Mathematics Essential Learning requirement. MATH 110 or higher is required for BA or BAS in Criminal Justice	4	4
		<i>Other Essential Learning Core Courses: (Select two classes of the following)</i>	6	6
		General Psychology – GTSS3 PSYC 150 or Speech SPCH 102 or Marriage & Families GTSS3 SOCO 144 or General Sociology SOCO 260 or Philosophy PHIL 120		
		Kinesiology requirement KINE 100 Health & Wellness	1	1
Wellness Requirement PED 110	1	Kinesiology requirement KINA 127 (receive in Academy)	1	0
		American Government POLS 101	3	3
		Social Problems SOCO 264	3	3
		<i>Criminal Justice Requirements</i>		
		Interpersonal Communications SPCH 101	3	3
		Orientation CRMJ 110	1	1
		Intro to Criminal Justice CRMJ 201	3	3
<i>POST Emphasis</i>	<b>35</b>	<i>Criminal Justice Requirements</i>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>
LEA 101 Basic Police Academy I	6	CRJW 101 Basic Police Academy I	6	0
LEA 102 Basic Policy Academy II	12	CRJW 102 Basic Police Academy II	10	0
LEA 105 Basic Law	8	CRJW 105 Basic Law	6	0
LEA 106 Arrest Control	3	CRJW 106 Arrest Control	3	0
LEA 107 Law Enforcement Driving	3	CRJW 107 Law Enforcement Driving	3	0
LEA 108 Firearms	3	CRJW 108 Firearms	3	0
<b>TCR Certificate Credits</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>WCCC POST Credits</b>	<b>31</b>	
		<b>AAS Degree</b>		<b>30</b>