

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN Gallaudet University AND Northern Virginia Community College

Bachelor of Arts in Interpretation Students

This document establishes an articulation agreement between Gallaudet University (GU), located at 800 Florida Ave NE, Washington, DC 20002, and Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA), located at 4001 Wakefield Chapel Road, Annandale, VA 22003. The intention of this agreement is to facilitate the transfer process of academic credits of qualified students from the regionally accredited NOVA to the four-year program at regionally accredited GU for the express purpose of providing an American Sign Language interpretation program at the baccalaureate level. By entering into this contract, GU agrees to provide NOVA with comprehensive historical enrollment and graduation data for all former NOVA students attending GU once every year, no later than July 1 of each year.

Students completing the Associate of Applied Science degree in American Sign Language to English Interpretation at NOVA, in accordance with the minimum standards set by GU, may be admitted to the Bachelors of Arts in Interpretation (BAI) provided they meet eligibility standards established by GU Office of Admissions and Department of Interpretation. Students who do not meet the aforementioned minimum standards will be considered for admission to GU on a case-by-case basis. The guidelines that govern this articulation agreement are described below.

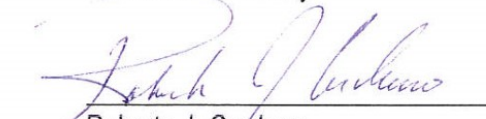
- Hearing prospective students must be accepted into the BAI program. Deaf and hard of hearing prospective students must be accepted first into the undergraduate program in order to apply for the BAI program.
- The Department of Interpretation at GU will refer to the accompanying chart of specific transfer matriculation courses from NOVA for transferees into the BAI program, such chart being stipulated as an integral part of this document upon signing.
- GU guarantees the transfer of college-level credits, provided that all coursework have been completed with a grade of "C" or better.
- There are three different placement tests that the students may or may not need to take. All new, transfer, and special students are required to complete an American Sign Language (ASL) Placement Test. Students with three hours credit in college English with grades of "C" or higher will not need to take the English placement test. Students with three hours credit in college math with grades of "C" or higher will not need to take the Math placement test.

- Students are required to maintain grades of "B" or higher in all Interpreting courses taken at NOVA that are required for the BAI major.
- Admitted hearing undergraduate students are eligible for financial aid through federal programs, but are not eligible for merit-based financial aid awarded to deaf and hard of hearing students.
- The GU Office of Admissions reserves the right to request additional documentation and standardized testing from any potential transferee.
- Implementation and interpretation of this Articulation Agreement will be consistent with applicable and mandatory policies and procedures established by the accrediting and governing bodies of this institution and other agencies having jurisdiction over either institution.

This agreement becomes effective with the signatures of all parties and shall continue in effect unless voided by either party upon sixty (60) days prior written notice. GU and NOVA will consider in good faith any amendments either party proposes. GU and NOVA will hold each other harmless for all decisions entered into under this agreement. The agreement may only be amended in writing, with amendments signed by both parties.

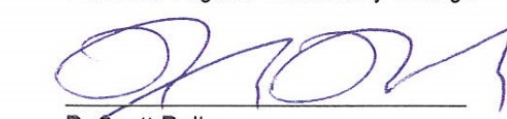
If at any time, this agreement conflicts with the policies and procedures of either institution, the agreement becomes null and void immediately upon written notification.

Gallaudet University



Roberta J. Cordano
President

Northern Virginia Community College



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President

Oct 31, 2016

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