




January 17, 2012

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** District Board of Trustees  
**FROM:** Jim Murdaugh, President   
**SUBJECT:** Articulation Agreement with FSU-Panama City

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### Item Description

This item describes a joint agreement for FSUPC to offer 3000-4000 level courses in certain degree programs on TCC's campus. TCC students will be able to enroll in these courses while finishing their TCC degree and then apply for admission to the FSUPC program where the credits will fully transfer.

### Overview and Background

This agreement strengthens the opportunities for TCC students to matriculate to specific programs offered by FSU. The current agreement applies to the FSUPC Bachelor of Science Degree in Public Safety and Security, Police Science Major and the Bachelor of Science in Public Safety and Security: Law Enforcement Operations and allows expansion to other degree options. This agreement increases opportunities for TCC students to explore and experience upper division majors while still completing their TCC degree. Students will have the opportunity to shorten their time to degree and to enhance their commitment through access to upper division courses.

### Past Actions by the Board

This item has not been previously presented to the Board.

### Funding/Financial Implications

There are no financial commitments associated with this item. TCC will provide appropriate classroom space for the classes. TCC is also developing an agreement with FSU to provide a resource room in the Student Union similar to that described as the "Rattler Room" for FAMU.

### Staff Resource

Barbara Sloan

### Recommended Action

That the Board approve the attached articulation agreement with FSU--Panama City.

Memorandum of Understanding  
Tallahassee Community College  
and  
Florida State University Panama City

AGREEMENT

Florida State University Panama City, acting for and on behalf of The Florida State University Board of Trustees, a public body corporate of the State of Florida, (hereinafter FSU Panama City) enters into an agreement with Tallahassee Community College, Tallahassee, Florida (hereinafter TCC). By virtue of this agreement, students enrolled at TCC will be able to take courses offered by FSU Panama City on the TCC Campus. The following requirements and procedures shall constitute the parties' purpose and intent of the agreement.

Requirements and Procedures for Students of  
Tallahassee Community College

1. Degree seeking students who have completed at least 30 college semester hours at TCC, are in good academic standing, have completed all developmental studies courses, if required, and have a GPA of 2.0 or better are eligible to participate in this inter-institutional agreement.
2. Students must obtain written approval from the Registrar of each institution for each term courses are taken through this agreement. Students will be limited to six hours of inter-institutional coursework per semester and are required to take a minimum of one academic course each term from TCC that can be applied toward their associates' degree.
3. Students will be registered for FSU Panama City Courses by the FSU Panama City Registrar's Office.
4. Students will be limited to taking no more than 15 semester hours of FSU Panama City courses on the TCC campus.
5. Students may take 3000-4000 level courses offered by FSU Panama City with the understanding that these courses will not be applied towards their TCC degree program and are not eligible for Financial Aid. The credits earned through FSU Panama City may be applied toward upper division requirements at FSU upon admission to FSU and acceptance to the appropriate degree.
6. Students will be responsible for paying tuition and fees to the institution offering the course.
7. The FSU Panama City Registrar's office will forward a free official copy of the student's permanent record to TCC once final grades for the term are posted.
8. Participation in this program does not guarantee the student's admission to the FSU Panama City or The Florida State University. The student will need to formally apply to FSU Panama City or The Florida State University and submit all required application documents and fees before an admissions decision can be made.
9. TCC students who participate in this program will need to complete their Associate in Arts degree or Associate in Science degree in one of the approved major tracks and have an overall cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better to qualify for admission to FSU Panama City.
10. TCC and FSU programs eligible for this articulation are listed in Attachment A.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Memorandum of Understanding is being executive by the parties to become effective on the date that the last party signs below.

TALLAHSSEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY  
PANAMA CITY  
Acting for and on behalf of  
The Florida State University Board of Trustees

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Jim Murdaugh, Ph.D.                      Date  
President  
Tallahassee Community College

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Ken Shaw                                      Date  
Dean  
Florida State University Panama City

Memorandum of Understanding

ATTACHMENT A

The following program articulations are in effect pursuant to this agreement. Additions and modifications to this list may be made at any time upon mutual agreement by both Tallahassee Community College and Florida State University Panama City. Cancellation of any program must include a plan for accommodating completion or transition of students currently enrolled at the time of cancellation.

Degree Articulation

The Tallahassee Community College Associate in Science Degree in Criminal Justice Technology will articulate to the Florida State University Panama City Bachelor of Science Degree in Public Safety and Security, Police Science Major as defined in the AS-to-BS articulation proposal filed with the Articulation Coordinating Council.

The Tallahassee Community College Associate in Arts Degree will articulate in its entirety (60 credits) to the Florida State University Panama City Bachelor of Science in Public Safety and Security: Law Enforcement Operations.

TALLAHASSEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY  
PANAMA CITY

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Barbara R. Sloan, Provost      Date  
Tallahassee Community College

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Ken Shaw, Dean      Date  
Florida State University Panama City