

# **ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

Between

**Fox Valley Technical College**

And

**Northern Michigan University**

College of Arts and Sciences  
Department of Psychological Sciences  
Assistant Behavior Analyst Certificate

May 1, 2018

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## Article I Agreement on Principle

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Northern Michigan University (NMU) and Fox Valley Technical College (FVTC) agree that students who choose to transfer from a community college to a senior college or university to earn a bachelor's degree or certificate should be provided with a smooth curriculum transition that minimizes loss of credit and duplication of coursework. Therefore, NMU and FVTC agree to enter into this curriculum articulation agreement for students who complete an associate degree at FVTC and transfer to NMU to complete a Behavior Analyst Certificate along with a Bachelor of Science degree at NMU. Both institutions enter into this agreement as cooperating, equal partners who shall maintain the integrity of their separate programs.

## Article II Agreement on Program Specifics

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NMU and FVTC agree that any student who has successfully completed the minimum requirements outlined on the attached articulation guide may transfer the course credits indicated toward the Assistant Behavior Analyst Certificate along with selected bachelor degree programs at Northern Michigan University. Students who follow this articulated program agreement must apply and be admitted to Northern Michigan University. Students will receive equal consideration with other students seeking admission and financial aid. The certificate requirements for students who follow this articulated program agreement are listed on the attached articulation guide.

## Article III Agreement on Communication

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NMU and FVTC agree to cooperate in communication with each other and with their common and respective publics concerning the established relationship between the two institutions. Communication may include the development of various kinds of publications to inform those who might benefit personally or professionally from the opportunities provided by this agreement. Faculty and staff at both institutions will share the information in this agreement with interested and qualified students and both institutions will provide counseling and advising to students and prospective students.

## Article IV Agreement on Maintenance and Review Procedures

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At least one administrative or faculty member from each institution will be appointed to act as agents for the implementation of this agreement, to speak for the institutions and to communicate changes to respective faculty members, advisors, counselors, and others to whom the information is pertinent. Responsibility for oversight of this agreement rests with the Vice President and Chief Academic Officer at FVTC and the Associate Provost for Academic Affairs at NMU.

Both parties agree to communicate annually any changes in their respective programs that may affect this articulation agreement. During the third year, both parties will review the agreement for revision and possible renewal. If the agreement is not reviewed by the end of the effective agreement, FVTC students who started the articulated program prior to termination of the agreement, will be given three additional years to be admitted to NMU under terms of this agreement.

**Note Regarding Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA):** Students who transfer to Northern Michigan University from a Michigan community college and who have *Michigan Transfer Agreement Satisfied* posted on their transcript will be considered to have met the requirements of NMU's General Education program. Students will still be expected to complete all other degree requirements, including graduation

requirements (world cultures, lab, and composition and math competencies) and any courses listed as “Other Required Courses” that may also be General Education courses. Degree requirements can be found at [www.nmu.edu/bulletin](http://www.nmu.edu/bulletin). Transfer students who do not complete the entire block of courses required by the MTA will receive credit for courses they do complete on the basis of individual evaluation and established transfer equivalencies.

This agreement is in effect from **May 1, 2018**. *Note: Students who began the Behavior Analyst Certificate prior to the effective date of this agreement may use the agreement to the extent that the program requirements followed are consistent with this agreement.*

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Effective Dates of this Articulation Agreement **May 2018 – April 2021**

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## Introduction:

The purpose of this articulation agreement is to provide a smooth transition for students who want to earn an Associate Degree at FVTC prior to a transfer to NMU to complete an Assistant Behavior Analyst Certificate at NMU. The Assistant Behavior Analyst Certificate provides coursework and practicum experiences for students seeking to meet the requirements for taking the Board Certified assistant Behavior Analyst exam, which is offered by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board. The Behavior Analyst Certification Board also requires students to earn a bachelor degree, which can be in any subject area. Should students choose to take a bachelor degree program at NMU, students should select from those programs with articulation agreements between FVTC and NMU. Courses taken for the Assistant Behavior Analyst Certificate can count toward the completion of the Bachelor of Science in Psychology program, described in a separation articulation agreement between FVTC and NMU. As displayed in this document, the first and second years of coursework are completed at FVTC and third and fourth years at NMU.

## Effective Dates:

The effective dates of this agreement are from May 2018 to April 2021. If this agreement is not renewed at the end of the effective period, students who have already started this articulated program at FVTC will be given three additional years to be admitted to NMU under the terms of this agreement. Students, who began the program prior to the effective date, may use the agreement to the extent that the requirements completed are consistent with this agreement.

## Courses at Fox Valley Technical College:

The Assistant Behavior Analyst Certificate courses require an Introduction to Psychology class, which can be taken at FVTC. Students admitted to the Assistant Behavior Analyst program can begin taking courses after the completion of this prerequisite course. Students must receive a grade of C or higher for the Introduction to Psychology course. The professional board that provides the Board Certified assistant Behavior Analyst certification requires that certification applicants hold a bachelor’s degree in any field, in addition to the course content hours and practicum hours found in the Assistant Behavior Analyst certificate program at NMU. Therefore, students should consider bachelor degree programs at NMU to pursue in addition to this certificate program.

## Certificate Program Courses at NMU...

The Assistant Behavior Analyst certificate courses will be taken from NMU. The certificate is comprised of 20 credits. The following courses must be taken from NMU to meet the requirements of the Assistant Behavior Analyst Certificate.

NMU Course #	NMU Course Title	Credit Hours
PY 203*	Applied Behavior Analysis*	4
PY 320	Behavior Measurement	4
PY 361	Professional Practice in Behavior Analysis	4
PY 403	Behavior Assessment and Evaluation	4
PY 492A	Practicum	4
PY 492B	Advanced Practicum	4
<b>Total Credit Hours:</b>		<b>24</b>
*Requires PY100 Introduction to Psychology (can be FVTC course 10-809-198, Intro to Psychology)		

### Suggested Course Sequence for the Assistant Behavior Analyst Certificate:

Year 1	Year 2
<u>Summer</u>  <u>Fall</u> PY203 Applied Behavior Analysis ( 4 crs; ONLINE) PY492A Practicum (2 credits) <u>Winter</u> PY361 Professional Practice in Behavior Analysis (4 crs; HYBRID @ FVTC) PY492B Advanced Practicum (2 crs; HYBRID @ FVTC)	<u>Fall</u> PY320 Behavior Measurement (4 crs.; HYBRID @ FVTC) PY492A Practicum (2 crs.; HYBRID @ FVTC) <u>Winter</u> PY403 Behavior Assessment and Evaluation (4 crs.; HYBRID @ FVTC) PY492B Advanced Practicum (2 crs.; HYBRID @ FVTC)

### Additional Certificate Requirements:

1. An overall GPA of 2.00 and a "C" grade or better is required for all Psychology courses within the certificate;

### Notes to Students:

1. Complete the articulated program as indicated in this articulation guide. Any course substitutions should only be made with the guidance of an advisor or counselor to assure that all requirements are met;
2. Students are encouraged to meet with the Assistant Behavior Analyst Certificate coordinator at NMU early, before completing an admission application to NMU; and
3. A copy of the articulation agreement should be brought to all advising sessions. Copies of this agreement are available at the Academic Affairs Office, NMU.

Based on NMU's 2017-2018 University Bulletin

For further information regarding the selection and transfer of courses, contact one of NMU's Transfer Admissions Counselors, at 1-800-682-9797 or [transfer@nmu.edu](mailto:transfer@nmu.edu).

