

**MACON STATE COLLEGE
GEORGIA PIEDMONT TECHNICAL COLLEGE
COURSE ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

April 1, 2012

Macon State College and Georgia Piedmont Technical College agree as follows:

1. Purpose: The two institutions are entering into a Course Articulation Agreement to assist and promote transferability in the computer programs between the two institutions.

2. Term: Terms of this Agreement will be effective April 1, 2012.
Either party may terminate this Agreement upon giving written notice to the other party. Such notice must be given one full semester prior to the agreement being canceled.

3. Conditions: The attachment lists the courses in the Computer Programming, Computer Support Specialist, Database Specialist, and Networking Specialist that will transfer from Georgia Piedmont Technical College to Macon State College. This Agreement insures the acceptance of the courses as listed in the attachments by Macon State.

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Macon, GA 31206

Georgia Piedmont Technical College
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Clarkston, GA 30021

Dr. Jeffery Allbritten, President

Mr. J. Larry Teems, Acting President

Date _____

Date _____

**Georgia Piedmont Technical College and Macon State College
Course Articulation Agreement**

Computer Information System (CIST) Approved Degree or Diploma – Bachelor of Science Information Technology

1. The joint program will be open to Georgia Piedmont Technical College graduates with a Computer Information System (CIST) approved Degree or Diploma and only for candidates entering the online or face-to-face Bachelor of Science degree in Information Technology major at Macon State College. Current qualify Degrees/Diplomas are Computer Programming, Computer Support Specialist, Database Specialist, and Networking Specialist. **Other CIST Degrees, Diploma, or TCC can be approved with a written agreement of the Deans of the schools at each college.**
2. **GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:** Effective January 2012, Macon State College will accept the general education courses for transfer as detailed in the articulation agreement between the University System of Georgia and Georgia Piedmont Technical College. Courses will only be accepted from institutions accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.
3. All Georgia Piedmont Technical College courses transferred to Area F OR to major requirements toward the Bachelor of Science degree in Information Technology will be taught by qualified faculty with a minimum of a Masters' degree and 18 graduate hours in the field.
4. Only Georgia Piedmont Technical College courses with a grade of "C" or higher will be transferred to Area F or to major requirements toward the Bachelor of Science degree in Information Technology.
5. Qualified Georgia Piedmont Technical College graduates will be required to fulfill all of the School of Information Technology's Area F requirements (18 semester hours), the School's ITEC upper level core requirements (30 semester hours), and 30 semester hours of upper level ITEC electives.
6. The following Georgia Piedmont Technical College courses may be credited to Macon State College's School of Information Technology's Area F requirements. **This list may be amended by written agreement of the Deans of the schools at each college.**

Georgia Piedmont Technical College		Area F - School of Information Technology	
Course prefix, number, and name	Lower Level Semester Credits	Course prefix, number, and name	Lower Level Semester Credits
CIST 1001 Computer Concepts*	4	ITEC 2215 Introduction to Information Technology	3
CIST 1305 Program Design and Development	3	ITEC 2260 Introduction to Computer Programming	3
CIST 2371 Java, CIST 2311 Visual Basic , CIST 2341 C#, or CIST 2361 C++	4	ITEC 2270 Application Development	3
CIST 1401 Networking Fundamentals	4	ITEC 2320 Networking Essentials	3
CIST 1510 Web Development I	3	ITEC 2380 Web Development	3
Total Semester Credits	18	Maximum Total Semester Credits	15

**Evaluation may be required at the time admission*

7. Qualified Georgia Piedmont Technical College graduates may receive transfer credit for additional Georgia Piedmont Technical College courses to be applied to major requirements toward the Bachelor of Science in Information Technology degree. Credit will be applied according to the schedule shown below, up to a maximum 24 semester credits. **This schedule may be amended by written agreement of the Deans of the schools at each college.**

Georgia Piedmont Technical College		Electives - School of Information Technology	
Courses	Lower Level Semester Credits	Credited as ITEC Major Electives	Upper Level Semester Credits
Any COMP, CIS, and/or CIST Courses	5 to 9 credits		3 credits
	10 to 14 credits		6 credits
	15 to 19 credits		9 credits
	20to 24 credits		12 credits
	25 to 29 credits		15 credits
	30 to 34 credits		18 credits
	35 to 39 credits		21 credits
	40 or more credits		24 credits

8. Macon State College candidates for degrees must complete a minimum of 120 semester hours of academic work and two hours in health and/or physical education with a grade point of 2.0 or better calculated on all work attempted at Macon State College. The academic work must include at least 21 semester hours of upper division courses in the major field and at least 39 semester hours of upper division work overall.
9. Of the 40 semester hours immediately preceding graduation, at least 30 must be taken in residence at Macon State College. Any student admitted to Macon State College for the final year must be in residence for two semesters and must complete at least 30 semester hours in residence, including 21 hours of upper division work in the major.
10. All University System of Georgia and Macon State College requirements for graduation must be satisfied.
11. This agreement is effective for students, who graduate with a degree or diploma from a Georgia Piedmont Technical College institution beginning January, 2012.