

**ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-STOUT
AND
WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE**

This updated Agreement is entered into between **Western Technical College** (hereinafter sending institution), and the **University of Wisconsin-Stout, Menomonie, WI** (hereinafter receiving institution). This updated Agreement and any amendments and supplements, shall be interpreted pursuant to the guidelines set forth in the University of Wisconsin System Academic Information Series (ACIS) policy 6.2 Guidelines for Articulation Agreements between UW System Institutions and WTCS Districts as well as policy 6.0 Undergraduate Transfer Policy. Both institutions agree to maintain accreditation by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and any other accreditation currently in existence pertaining to degree programs articulated via the transfer agreement.

The sending institution has established an **A.A.S. Mechanical Design Technology** (hereinafter sending program), and the receiving institution has established an online **B.S. Automation Leadership** (hereinafter receiving program) and will facilitate credit transfer and provide a smooth transition from one related program to another. It is mutually agreed:

I. Admission and Graduation Requirements

- A. The receiving institution's admission and program admission requirements apply to both direct entry students and to students who transfer under this agreement.
- B. Students must fulfill the graduation requirements at both institutions to include:
 - 1. General Education, Racial & Ethnic Studies, and Global Perspective requirements.
 - 2. A minimum of 32 credits must be earned from UW-Stout to receive a degree from UW-Stout.
- C. Students must complete the entire sending program and meet the receiving institution's admission requirements for the agreement to apply.
- D. Students must be concurrently enrolled in or have completed the Smart Automation Certification Alliance (SACA) core upon admission into the receiving institution's program.

II. Transfer of Credits

- A. The receiving institution will apply 77 of the 81 credits from the sending program (AAS and SACA requirements). A total of 43 credits remain to complete the receiving program.
- B. Courses will transfer as described in the attached Program Articulation Table.
- C. To provide flexibility to students pursuing this pathway, students can choose to receive the 21 credits for the SACA certification in one of the following three ways:
 - a. Transfer 21 credits from the sending institution or other technical college partners.
 - b. Receive the SACA certification through other options (i.e., industry partners that offer the SACA certification exam). Students following this pathway will utilize Prior Learning Credit either through a technical college partner or UW-Stout to earn credit.
 - c. A combination of option A and B above.

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- D. Elective courses taken or substituted at the sending institution and sending program not listed in this updated agreement will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and determined how they may apply to the degree at the receiving institution.

III. Implementation and Review

- A. The Provost, Dean, Program Director, or designees of the parties to this updated agreement will implement the terms of this agreement, including identifying and incorporating any changes into subsequent agreements, assuring compliance with system policy, procedure, and guidelines, and conducting a periodic review of this agreement.
- B. This updated Articulation Agreement is effective on 10/15/2025 and shall remain in effect until the end date of 10/15/2030 or for five years, whichever occurs first, unless terminated or amended by either party with 90 days prior written notice.
- C. The college and university shall work with students to resolve the transfer of courses should changes to either program occur while the agreement is in effect.
- D. This updated Articulation Agreement will be reviewed by both parties beginning 04/15/2030 (within six months of the end date).
- E. When a student enrolls at the receiving institution following this agreement, the receiving institution will encode any course waivers and substitutions.
- F. This updated articulation agreement applies only to the receiving program in effect Spring 2026 until revised.

PROGRAM ARTICULATION TABLE

	Western Technical College	University of Wisconsin-Stout
Program name	Mechanical Design Technology	Automation Leadership
Award Type (e.g., AAS)	AAS	BS
Credit Length	60 credits + 21 credits SACA = 81 credits	120 credits
Program admission requirements (if any)		

SECTION A - General Education

Western Technical College			University of Wisconsin Stout						
Course Prefix & Number	Course Name	Credits	Course Prefix & Number	Course Name	GE	RES GLP	Credits Applied	Credits NOT Applied	Equiv Sub Wav
General Education									
801-136	English Composition 1	3	*ENGL 101	Composition 1	COMSK		3		Equiv
806-154	General Physics 1	4	PHYS-241	College Physics 1	ARNS		4		Equiv
804-113	College Technical Math 1A	3	MATH-GXX	Mathematics Stout Core	ARNS		3		Equiv
809-195	Economics	3	ECON-201	General Economics	SBSC	GLP	3		Equiv
809-198	Intro to Psychology	3	PSYC-110	Intro to Psychology	SBSC		3		Equiv
General Education Total		16	Section A Subtotal				16	0	

Special Notes, if any:

*A grade of C- or better is required to move on to ENGL 102 Composition 2.

^ Per a UW-Stout transfer rule this course will satisfy UW-Stout's COMST-100 Stout Core requirement.

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B.S. Automation Leadership/A.A.S. Mechanical Design Technology

SECTION B – Major, Concentration, Emphasis, Electives, or Other

			Professional Core (40 credits)				
606-163	AutoCAD	2	ETECH-XXX	Engineering Technology Elective		2	Equiv
606-165	Geometric Dimensions and Tolerance	3	ETECH-XXX	Engineering Technology Elective		3	Equiv
606-184	SolidWorks	2	ETECH-XXX	Engineering Technology Elective		2	Equiv
605-138	Fundamentals of Elec. & Fabrication	2	ETECH-XXX	Engineering Technology Elective		2	Equiv
420-119	Manufacturing & Engineering Materials	3	ETECH-110	Materials & Manufacturing Processes		3	Equiv
420-120	Manufacturing Processes/Machining CAM	3	ETECH-XXX	Engineering Technology Elective		3	Equiv
606-115	Parametric Design 1	3	ETECH-XXX	Engineering Technology Elective		3	Equiv
606-133	Parametric Design 2	4	ETECH-XXX	Engineering Technology Elective		4	Equiv
606-156	Mechanisms & Dynamics	3	ETECH-XXX	Engineering Technology Elective		3	Equiv
606-124	Statics/Strengths of Materials	4	ETECH-XXX	Engineering Technology Elective		4	Equiv
606-158	Design Analysis	3	ETECH-XXX	Engineering Technology Elective		3	Equiv
606-164	Design Problems	4	ETECH-XXX	Engineering Technology Elective		4	Equiv
620-112	Fluid Power Fundamentals	2	ETECH-XXX	Engineering Technology Elective		2	Equiv
606-140	Applied Calculations in Engineering	2	ETECH-XXX	Engineering Technology Elective		2	Equiv
			SACA Certificate Transfer Core (21 credits) Students can choose to complete any 7 of the following 14 credentials. See Section 2C above for more details.				
C-211	Industry 4.0 Total Productive Maintenance Management	3	ET-XCX	SACA Certificate Elective		3	Sub
C-305	Industry Electronic Systems 1	3	ET-XCX	SACA Certificate Elective		3	Sub
C-308	Variable Frequency Drive Systems 2	3	ET-XCX	SACA Certificate Elective		3	Sub
C-309	Programmable Controller Systems 2	3	ET-XCX	SACA Certificate Elective		3	Sub
C-310	Ethernet Communications 2	3	ET-XCX	SACA Certificate Elective		3	Sub
C-312	Robot Systems Integration 2	3	ET-XCX	SACA Certificate Elective		3	Sub
C-313	Smart Factory Systems 2	3	ET-XCX	SACA Certificate Elective		3	Sub
C-359	Programmable Controller Systems 3	3	ET-XCX	SACA Certificate Elective		3	Sub
C-362	Machine Vision Systems 1	3	ET-XCX	SACA Certificate Elective		3	Sub
C-306	Industrial Electronic Systems 2	3	ET-XCX	SACA Certificate Elective		3	Sub
C-307	Electronic Systems Installation 1	3	ET-XCX	SACA Certificate Elective		3	Sub
C-358	Autonomous Mobile Robot Systems 1	3	ET-XCX	SACA Certificate Elective		3	Sub
C-360	Motion Control Systems 1	3	ET-XCX	SACA Certificate Elective		3	Sub
C-361	Programmable Conveyor Systems 1	3	ET-XCX	SACA Certificate Elective		3	Sub
890-106	Strengths Seminar	1	Not applicable to UW-Stout's program requirements.				
801-197	Technical Reporting	3					
Major, Emphasis, Unrestricted Electives Total		65	Section B Subtotal		61	4	
Total College Credits Applied (sum of sections A and B)					77	4	

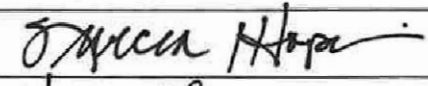
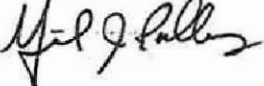
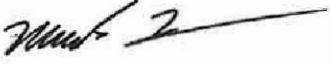
Special Notes, if any:

SECTION C - Remaining University of Wisconsin-Stout Requirements			
		Stout Core General Education	
		ENGL-102	Composition 2
		COMST-100	Fundamentals of Communication
			Analytical Reasoning & Natural Sciences Stout Core
			Arts and Humanities Stout Core
			Social Responsibility & Ethical Reasoning Stout Core
			Stout Core Electives
		Remaining Stout Core Subtotal	
		Program Core	
		INMGT-365	Project Management
		INMGT-400	Organizational Leadership
		INMGT-440	Lean Enterprise
		INMGT-441	Digital Transformation

	INMGT-442	Internet of Things in Operations	3
	INMGT-443	Automation Leadership Capstone	3
	INMGT-449	Cooperative Education Experience	1
		Remaining Program Core Subtotal	19
		Total Remaining UW-Stout Credits	43
Special Notes, if any:			

SECTION D - Summary of Total Program Credits			
Western Technical College Credits		University of Wisconsin Stout Requirements	
General Education	16		
Major, Concentration Emphasis, Electives or Other	44		
SACA Certification Core	21		
Total College Credits	81	Total College Credits Applied	77
		Remaining credit to be taken at University of Wisconsin-Stout	43
		Total Program Credits	120
Special Notes, if any:			

SIGNATURE BLOCKS

Western Technical College	Name	Signature	Date
Vice President of Learning	Dr. Rebecca Hopkins		10/2/25
Dean of Integrated Technology	Michael Pollinger		09.29.25
Associate Dean of Integrated Technology	Mark Moulton		9/24/25
University of Wisconsin-Stout	Name	Signature	Date
Program Director	David Ding	Xuedong (David) Ding	10/09/2025
Dean	Dan Freedman	Dan Freedman	10/10/2025
Provost	Glendali Rodriguez	Glendali Rodriguez	10/13/2025

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