

Technical Entrepreneurship Program Articulation Agreement Prior Learning Assessment Work Instructions

Post-Secondary Partner: Bucks County Community College

Secondary Partners: Upper Bucks County Technical School
Middle Bucks Institute of Technology
Bucks Technical High School

Instructions for Secondary Partners:

Students who meet the Prior Learning Assessment eligibility requirements at Bucks County Community College, receive an overall score of “Advanced” on the end of program occupational Assessment, NOCTI (NIMS for Machining students) and receive at least one PDE recognized certification will receive 20 articulated credits towards the Associate’s Degree in Technical Entrepreneurship. An additional 3 credits will be awarded to students who complete a minimum of 200 hours of employment in their field of study.

For programs that are classified as “test-exempt” for the end of program assessment, schools may opt to administer the National NOCTI exam for that content area. In the absence of a cut score, students who earn an average of 85% on the written and performance assessment will be considered “Advanced” for the purpose of the articulation agreement.

Students may work through their technical school guidance counselor and cooperative education coordinator to complete the following:

- Achievement Verification Form
- Copy of NOCTI/NIMS documentation providing evidence of a score of advanced (valid 3 years)
- Copy of PDE recognized certification

Instructions for Post-Secondary Partner:

To verify that the documentation meets the requirements, please cross reference the Achievement Verification Form to the following documents:

[Student Occupational Competency Testing In Pennsylvania Student Test Crosswalk](#) provides a crosswalk from CIP code to Test Title. This document is updated annually.

[Industry-Recognized Certifications for Career and Technical Education Programs: A Resource Guide for Pennsylvania Career and Technology Centers](#) provides a list of PDE recognized certifications for each CIP

code. Please note, the OSHA CareerSafe certification is not listed under each CIP code but is referenced in the back of the manual as being recognized for each CIP code.

Technical Entrepreneurship Program Articulation Agreement Achievement Verification Form

Student Name: _____

CTE Program Name: _____ CIP Code: _____

Secondary Technical School Name: _____

School Mailing Address: _____

School Telephone Number: _____

Achievement Verification:

Please check the box and provide appropriate supporting documentation to indicate that the student has met the requirements below.

NOCTI/NIMS Overall Score of Advanced Testing Date: _____

Obtainment of at least one PDE recognized certification

200 Hours of Employment in the Field of Study

Cooperative Education Coordinator Signature

I verify that the student has met the eligibility requirements as noted above.

Printed Name, Title

Signature, Date