



**LOUISIANA BOARD OF REGENTS<sup>1</sup>**

**MASTER COURSE ARTICULATION MATRIX<sup>2</sup>**

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***Preface***

Numerous course transfer equivalency agreements exist among Louisiana's public postsecondary institutions. For coursework in general education, science, and business a matrix representing such agreements appears below.

The prerogative for accepting a course for degree, general education, or elective credit belongs to the institution to which a student intends to transfer (the "receiving institution"). Students are therefore urged to contact the receiving institution for definitive answers to the following questions:

- how will a course transfer;
- whether the course will count toward a particular major, and under what conditions (e.g., if a letter grade of "C" or better is required for the course to count for degree credit);
- whether and under what category the course will satisfy the receiving institution's general education requirements;
- requirements for school accreditation, which may preclude some courses from being accepted for credit; and
- any other articulation agreements that may exist between schools.

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<sup>1</sup> *The role of the Board of Regents is not to decide course equivalencies, but to coordinate, monitor, and publish the broadest areas of agreement relative to specific courses offered by the state's public institutions of higher education. At its meeting on May 26, 2011, the Board of Regents approved this matrix for use during AY 2011-2012.*

<sup>2</sup> *Courses in the matrix have been evaluated by appropriate faculty at the institutions and are considered equivalent to each other and will generally be accepted for credit. Please note this is not a list of articulation agreements as the matrix represents only course-to-course equivalencies.*

The institution's Chief Articulation Officers on the respective campuses in consultation with appropriate faculty, deans, and department heads make the final determination as it relates to course equivalencies. A list of Chief Articulation Officers (including their contact information) can be found at the following:

[http://regents.louisiana.gov/assets/docs/Academic/PP/CHIEF\\_ARTICULATION\\_OFFICERS\\_Roster.pdf](http://regents.louisiana.gov/assets/docs/Academic/PP/CHIEF_ARTICULATION_OFFICERS_Roster.pdf)

## **Courses**

The leftmost column of the matrix shows a list of course categories or names – please note that these are not the titles of the courses at the respective institution. **Course categories/names are grouped by the areas of general education (English (Composition only), Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Humanities, Fine Arts, and Social/Behavioral Sciences – these courses are *not* coded, i.e., they appear in regular text and the cells in which they appear are not shaded), science (coded in light gray), and business (coded in dark gray).** Each additional column shows the course at a particular institution which corresponds to a given course category/name. If a course appears in the institution's column, other institutions have agreed that the course is equivalent to their own, which is listed in their respective column. If a course does not appear in an institution's column, either no such course is offered by that institution or not enough institutions have decided that the course is indeed equivalent to their own.

Sometimes a course may be listed as acceptable, but only under certain conditions. Some examples are:

A footnote number beside a course category/name alerts students to additional general information or guidance about courses in that row.

A footnote number beside an institution's course generally means that the course may not be accepted as an equivalent course by other institutions specified in the footnote. Information about that course is detailed in the corresponding endnote.

An asterisk (\*) beside a course category/name (e.g., English Literature I\*) signifies that courses in this row are upper division courses at some institutions and lower division courses at other institutions. Typically, courses taken at two-year institutions and 100/1000 and 200/2000 level courses taken at four-year institutions will not transfer as upper division courses. Students are urged to contact the institution to which they intend to transfer for details.

A plus sign (+) beside a course category/name denotes that students are strongly advised to complete a lecture and lab sequence of natural science courses to maximize transfer of credit for general education purposes at another institution. At many institutions, both I and II labs in various subject areas (e.g., BIOL, CHEM, etc.) must be completed in order to receive credit for the II lab course.

A hash mark (#) beside an institution's course in language (e.g., Spanish) denotes that if a sequence of language courses is completed at a given institution, the equivalent of that sequence will be accepted at other institutions. Students are urged to contact the receiving institution for interpretation of credit if only a portion of the sequence is completed. Also, students may be required to take a language placement examination, especially if transferring mid-sequence.

Courses in *italics* indicates that there is a difference in credit value with other courses on that row, and the course may not be equivalent to other similarly listed courses.

Courses that do not appear anywhere on the matrix still may be accepted for credit. Students are urged to contact the receiving institution's Chief Articulation Officer for details.

It is noted that in the Natural Sciences, there are various sequences of courses for science and non-science majors. Many institutions will not give science credit for non-science sequences taken and vice versa. Affected students should contact both their institution of origin and receiving institution for further information.

### ***Institutions of Higher Education***

The institutions that appear on this matrix (in the header columns) are all public postsecondary institutions in Louisiana. Institutions are abbreviated as follows:

BPCC - Bossier Parish Community College  
BRCC - Baton Rouge Community College  
DCC - Delgado Community College  
FTCC - Fletcher Technical Community College  
LDCC - Louisiana Delta Community College  
LTC - Louisiana Technical College<sup>^</sup>  
NCC - Nunez Community College  
RPCC - River Parishes Community College  
SLCC - South Louisiana Community College  
STCC - Sowell Technical Community College  
LSUE - Louisiana State University at Eunice  
LSU A&M - Louisiana State University and A&M College  
LSUA - Louisiana State University at Alexandria  
LSUS - Louisiana State University in Shreveport

LSUHSC-NO – Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center at New Orleans  
UNO - University of New Orleans  
GSU - Grambling State University  
LA Tech - Louisiana Tech University♦  
McNeese - McNeese State University  
Nicholls - Nicholls State University  
NSU - Northwestern State University  
SLU - Southeastern Louisiana University  
ULL - University of Louisiana at Lafayette  
ULM - University of Louisiana at Monroe  
SU A&M - Southern University and A&M College  
SUNO - Southern University at New Orleans  
SUSLA - Southern University at Shreveport

♦*Louisiana Tech University operates on a quarter system. Sequences of courses may take longer to complete than on a traditional semester system.*

<sup>^</sup>*LTC includes the following institutions: Acadiana Technical College, Capital Area Technical College, Central Louisiana Technical College, Northeast Louisiana Technical College, Northshore Technical College, Northwest Louisiana Technical College, and South Central Louisiana Technical College.*