



ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
Between
Cox College and North Arkansas College

The mission and core values of Cox College are guiding principles for the college. All articulation agreements between Cox College and other institutions of higher education are based upon these two principles as well as other educational values.

Mission Statement: Cox College is committed to excellence by meeting the educational needs of students and the health care community.

Core Values:

- Student First – We believe in providing a learning environment that promotes student inspiration, support, and academic achievement.
- Highest Quality – We believe in providing an educational experience utilizing cutting-edge technology and evidence-based curriculum.
- Communication – We believe in shared, transparent communication that is respectful and responsible.
- Nothing is Impossible – We believe in working together, taking reasonable risks, and daring to change so that the impossible becomes possible.
- Lifelong Learning – We believe that professional curiosity develops over a lifetime based on self-evaluation, effective questioning, and critical analysis of information.

Purpose:

This agreement establishes articulation between Cox College (Cox), Springfield, Missouri, and North Arkansas College (Northark) for the purpose of providing a seamless transfer of qualified Northark students into the Bachelor of Science in Diagnostic Imaging (BSDI) and Registered Nurse to Bachelor of Science in Nursing (RN-BSN) programs offered by Cox. Cox College has been approved by the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board to offer online degree completion programs in the State of Arkansas.

Objectives:

- To facilitate a seamless transfer of students earning an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Nursing degree from Northark to the RN-BSN degree offered by Cox.
- To facilitate a seamless transfer of students earning an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Radiologic Technology degree from Northark to the BSDI degree offered by Cox.
- To provide an avenue for increased learning, development, and collaboration between Cox and Northark.

Terms of the Agreement:

- Cox agrees to give priority consideration for admission of Northark students who complete the application process, meet the application deadlines, and meet the criteria set forth in this agreement.
- Cox will provide academic and financial aid services needed to ensure student support and quality learning.
- Northark students will adhere to the transfer standards and other guidelines as set forth in the Cox Academic Catalog and Student Handbook.
- Northark students will pay the published Cox tuition and fees while enrolled at Cox, including the graduation fee.
- Northark students will be responsible for completing all degree requirements as outlined in the Cox Academic Catalog.
- Cox and Northark faculty and administration from each program will be encouraged to meet annually to discuss issues of curriculum and student development.
- Upon graduation, Northark will furnish to Cox a list of students earning either an AAS in Nursing or an AAS in Radiologic Technology.

Cox College Admission Requirements:**RN to BSN:**

- Students must have an associate degree in nursing (AASN, ASN, AND) from a regionally accredited college or university; and
- Complete and submit a Cox College application and the program specific RN-BSN application.
- Students must have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale; and
- Students must possess a current Registered Nurse (RN) license; **OR**
- Be admitted on a provisional basis taking general education courses to raise the GPA to a minimum of 2.5; **OR**
- Be admitted on a provisional basis taking general education courses pending RN licensure.

BSDI:

- Students must have a certificate **OR** an associate degree in radiography with proof of current certification.
- Complete and submit a Cox College application and the program specific BSDI application.
- All imaging courses begin in the fall. Application deadline April 30.
- Application process for credentialing pathways require a personal essay, two personal references, all college transcripts, and a copy of the student's imaging licensure card.
- Minimum 3.0 GPA in imaging program or related degree.

Renewal and Termination of This Agreement:

Each institution is responsible for communication regarding curricular changes, requirements, and student issues that arise. Once this agreement has been signed, it will be effective and automatically renewed each year. One semester advanced notice of termination of the agreement is required by either college. In the event of termination of the agreement, all students accepted to Cox or in progress will be allowed to continue to graduation.

Cox and Northark act independently in the performance of this agreement and shall not be considered employees, agents, affiliates or subsidiaries of each other. Neither college has the right to obligate the other in any way outside of this agreement. This agreement is governed by the laws of the State of Missouri.