

**ARTICULATION AGREEMENT  
BY AND BETWEEN  
HILLSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF  
OPTICIANRY, LANDOVER, MARYLAND**

**OPHTHALMIC CAREER PROGRESSION PROGRAM**

Ophthalmic Career Progression Program (National Academy of Opticianry) And Associate in Science in Opticianry (HCC)
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In a continuing effort to serve the needs of students in Career and Technical Education Programs, (hereinafter "CTE"), Hillsborough Community College (hereinafter "HCC") enters into this agreement (hereinafter "Agreement") on May 1, 2019 with The National Academy of Opticianry, Landover, Maryland to enable HCC to award college credits toward an Associate in Science degree in Opticianry to graduates of the Ophthalmic Career Progression Program, as set forth in the table below:

<b>National Academy of Opticianry, Ophthalmic Career Progression Program</b>		<b>Postsecondary Institution: Hillsborough Community College</b>		
<b>Program/Courses</b>	<b>Secondary Course Numbers</b>	<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Awarded Credits</b>
OCPP	101	OPT 1000	Ophthalmic Orientation	1.0
OCPP	102	OPT 1460	Ophthalmic Dispensing Theory I	3.0
OCPP	103	OPT 1460L	Ophthalmic Dispensing Lab I	3.0
OCPP	104	OPT 1155	Ophthalmic Lens Theory I	3.0
OCPP	105	OPT 2800L	Vision Care Clinical I	2.0
Certificate of OCPP Completion		OPT 2801L	Vision Care Clinical II	2.0
<b>Total Credits</b>			<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>14.0</b>

\*No college credit is awarded for students not completing all five courses of the National Academy of Opticianry program of study.

This Agreement makes it possible for HCC to award up to fourteen (14) articulated credits to a student who has completed all five courses of the National Academy of Opticianry Ophthalmic Career Progression Program so long as a student satisfies the following criteria:

1. Enroll in the Opticianry Program seeking the Opticianry (AS.OPT) Degree;
2. Request matriculation within five (5) years of completion date;
3. Furnish official copy of transcript indicating National Academy of Opticianry-Ophthalmic Career Progression Program completion;
4. Satisfactorily complete the secondary program with a letter grade of "B" or better in the program courses;

In addition, National Academy of Opticianry must comply with the following provisions:

1. If significant change in any of the Ophthalmic programs occur, National Academy of Opticianry agrees to provide to the Opticianry Department Chair copies of the course syllabi and copies of all examinations for each of the articulated courses listed below, prior to the successive academic school year during the term of this Agreement:
  - a. OCPP 101
  - b. OCPP 102
  - c. OCPP 103
  - d. OCPP 104
  - e. OCPP 105
2. National Academy of Opticianry agrees to meet the teaching objectives for each of the credited courses listed below that HCC offers
  - a. OPT 1000 Ophthalmic Orientation
  - b. OPT 1460 Ophthalmic Dispensing Theory I
  - c. OPT 1460L Ophthalmic Dispensing Lab I
  - d. OPT 1155 Ophthalmic Lens Theory I
  - e. OPT 2800L Vision Care Clinical I
  - f. OPT 2801L Vision Care Clinical II
3. National Academy of Opticianry agrees to use the following textbooks for the articulated courses and not to change textbooks without the acknowledgement of HCC's Opticianry Department Chair
  - a. System for Ophthalmic Dispensing by Brooks & Borish

The National Academy of Opticianry will notify HCC of any significant changes to the OCPP program. If the Academy amends the curriculum content or qualifications of teachers for this program, the changes will be provided to HCC for review. The review is intended to verify that: (1) competencies are being taught; and (2) that such competencies are equivalent to the postsecondary institution's course(s), which have been designated as equivalent and for which HCC college credit is offered.

This Articulation Agreement for fourteen (14) credits toward the HCC Opticianry Degree is effective May 1, 2019 and will continue on an annual basis one (1) year at a time for five (5)

additional years. It is understood that this Agreement is subject to review on an annual basis by the parties. This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon sixty (60) days written notice and timely delivered to the other party. All notices, requests, consents, and other communications required or permitted under this agreement shall be made in writing with such writing delivered to the other party as follows: hand-delivered by messenger or courier service, faxed, or mailed by Registered or Certified Mail (postage prepaid), Return Receipts Requested, addressed to:

**National Academy of Opticianry:**

James Iciek, Executive Director  
National Academy of Opticianry  
8401 Corporate Drive, Suite 605  
Landover, MD 20785  
Phone number: 800-229-4828

As to: **Hillsborough Community College**

Dr. Brian Mann, Director of Associate in Science Programs  
39 Columbia Dr.  
Tampa, Hillsborough County, FL 33606  
Phone Number (813) 253-7022  
Fax Number (813) 253-7025

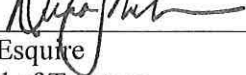
or to such other addresses the parties may mutually designate by notice of complying with the terms of this Agreement. Each such notice shall be deemed delivered:

- a. On the date delivered, if by personal delivery
- b. On the date faxed, if by fax, and
- c. On the date upon which the Return Receipt is signed or delivery is refused or the notice is designated by the postal authorities as not delivered, if mailed.

Signatures below indicate endorsement and attestation of this Agreement.


**Hillsborough Community College**

I hereby endorse the above Articulation Agreement:

By:   
Dipa Shah, Esquire  
Chair, Board of Trustees

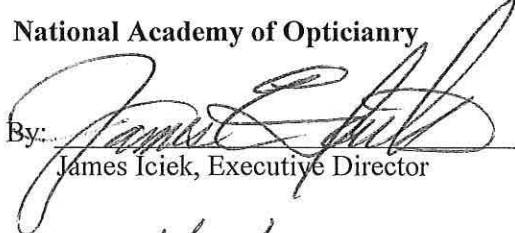
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I hereby attest the above Articulation Agreement:

By:   
Dr. Kenneth Atwater, President

Date: 5/6/19

**National Academy of Opticianry**

By:   
James Iciek, Executive Director

Date: 4/26/2019

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED AS TO FORM & LEGALITY**

  
GENERAL COUNSEL