Articulation Agreement Guide
Pima Medical Institute (PMI) is committed to maintaining articulation agreements with education institutions to ensure transferable academic credit for PMI students and graduates. PMI develops partnerships and articulation opportunities that increase students’ and graduates’ accessibility to advanced educational opportunities.

PMI has agreements with the following institutions: Chadron State College (CSC), Excelsior College (EC), Grand Canyon University (GCU), Montana State University, Billings (MSU), University of Phoenix (UOP), and University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences (USAHS). In addition, PMI maintains an education agreement with Chamberlain University College of Nursing (CU). These agreements allow PMI students to pursue undergraduate and graduate degree completion programs (online or on-ground). GCU allows both PMI degree and non-degree students to transfer credit, while MSU, CSC, UOP, and EC allow specific credits to transfer for PMI degree students.

PMI students and graduates are subject to the terms of the agreements that are in place at the time of their enrollment in the partnering institution. Additional information about the agreements is included on the following pages.

PMI supports the pursuit of life-long learning. In turn, PMI offers degree completion programs and maintains agreements with other institutions to provide graduates with multiple options for continuing their education.

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Pima Medical Institute does not guarantee the transfer of credit to any other institution. The college and/or university to which a student applies determine transfer of credit.

The articulation agreements in this guide are subject to change.
As a public institution with its roots in teacher education, Chadron State College (CSC) takes pride in its accessibility. The curriculum has grown to offer programs and courses in 52 majors and endorsements and eight master’s degree programs. The six bachelor’s degree programs attracting the most students are business administration, education, psychology, biology-health sciences, rangeland management, and justice studies.

CSC allows transfer of credit for six PMI associate degree programs: Dental Hygiene, Occupational Therapy Assistant, Physical Therapist Assistant, Radiography, Respiratory Therapy, and Veterinary Technician. Graduates of these six PMI associate degree programs can transfer up to 70 credits from the earned PMI degree toward fulfillment of the 120 credits required for completion of CSC’s Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree. These same PMI graduates can also transfer 66 credits from the earned PMI degree toward fulfillment of the 120 credits required for completion of a CSC Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree.

CSC is accredited through the Higher Learning Commission.

For more information contact the Start Office at start@csc.edu (preferred) or (308) 432-6060; web site http://www.csc.edu/start/index.csc.

Chamberlain University (CU) prepares health care professionals with the knowledge, skills, values, and beliefs required to succeed and to make a difference in today’s complex health care environment. CU has a College of Nursing and a College of Health Professions, a growing network of campuses, and online offerings.

PMI Associate Degree Nursing graduates who pass the NCLEX and maintain current, active Registered Nurse licensure will be awarded up to 82 proficiency credits hours through the Chamberlain College of Nursing Articulation Plan (CCAP), which includes 37 liberal arts and science credits and 45 nursing credits.

CU is accredited through the Higher Learning Commission. The Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree program (including the RN to BSN degree completion option), the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) degree program (including the RN-BSN to MSN option, the FNP track and all specialty tracks), and the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree program at Chamberlain University are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

For more information contact (888) 556-8226.
Excelsior College (EC) is a regionally accredited, nonprofit distance learning institution founded in 1971 that is focused on providing educational opportunity to adult learners. EC offers more than 30 degree and certificate programs across the schools of Business, Health Sciences, Liberal Arts, Nursing, Public Service, and Technology.

EC is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education. The Middle States Commission on Higher Education is an institutional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. Additionally, all of EC's academic programs are approved by the New York State Education Department.

EC will guarantee admission to PMI graduates. To be guaranteed admission, graduates must transfer from PMI with an associate degree with a minimum GPA of 2.0 have paid all required EC fees. EC allows transfer of PMI credits and credit for certain health care credentials. EC offers PMI graduates, faculty and staff tuition discounts and reduced fees.

For EC student transfer policies see [www.pmi.excelsior.edu](http://www.pmi.excelsior.edu).

Grand Canyon University (GCU) is a regionally accredited, private Christian university that offers a variety of nursing and health care programs, including undergraduate, graduate, and bridge programs. Students can elect to take courses online or through evening classes, which meet once a week on campuses.

GCU allows transfer of credit for PMI degree and non-degree students. PMI associate degree graduates can transfer up to 84 credits to GCU. Several bachelor degree options are available, many specific to fields of study at PMI. PMI bachelor degree graduates can transfer into several GCU graduate programs.

GCU is accredited through the Higher Learning Commission.

For more information with regard to transferring to GCU contact (800) 800-9776, email [michele.parrish@gcu.edu](mailto:michele.parrish@gcu.edu).
Montana State University Billings (MSU) offers pre-professional and certification programs and awards degrees at the associate's, bachelor's, and master's degree levels. MSU also offers post-master's (non-degree) supervisor endorsement programs.

Montana State University (MSU) allows transfer of credit for PMI degree students. PMI graduates can transfer up to 36 credits from an earned PMI associate's degree. The Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) and Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies (BSLS) degree completion programs at MSU are intended to provide online degree completion opportunities for PMI students who have completed an Associate of Occupational Science Degree in Radiography or Respiratory Therapy.

MSU is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities and by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education.

For more information, contact the admissions department (800) 565-6782; email admissions@msubillings.edu

University of Phoenix (UOP) curriculum integrates academic theory, life-long learning, and professional practice and is designed to support the needs of adult learners. UOP offers online college degree programs, on-campus classes in select locations, and features a collection of colleges and schools offering in-demand degrees.

Credit from associate degrees awarded at PMI will transfer to UOP; however, additional general education credits may be needed to fulfill the program requirements. Students from PMI will be granted admission to a baccalaureate degree program at the UOP based on academic requirements as a result of having earned an associate degree.

PMI bachelor degree graduates can transfer into several UOP graduate programs.

University of Phoenix is accredited through the Higher Learning Commission.

For more information contact a representative from the respective campus location or call (866) 354-1800.
University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences (USAHS) provides graduate-level education to individuals seeking first-time licensure in health science fields including occupational therapy and physical therapy and to those who wish to acquire post-professional training to acquire a Doctor of Occupational Therapy (OTD) or a Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT). USAHS’s entry-level Doctor of Physical Therapy, Doctor of Occupational Therapy, and Master of Occupational Therapy degrees are offered through the College of Rehabilitative Sciences and are available in two formats to meet student needs -- full-time on one of the University’s four campuses, or in an online/weekend format. USAHS also provides MSN and DNP programs through its College of Nursing, and master’s degrees in health administration, health science and education through its College of Health Sciences and Administration.

The USAHS MOT, OTD, and DPT programs are targeted to PMI Bachelor of Science in Physical Therapy Assistant (BSPTA) degree program graduates and the Physical Therapy Assistant (PTA) and Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) Associate degree program graduates. The entry-level and post-professional programs offered at USAHS are also available to other PMI degree graduates with the required admission qualifications.

USAHS is regionally accredited by the WASC Senior College and University Commission, and maintains programmatic accreditation with the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) and Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE).

For more information and general inquiries call (904) 826-0084.