MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES* TRANSFER AGREEMENT BETWEEN

White Earth Tribal and Community College AND Bemidji State University

*The Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is authorized by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 136F to enter into Agreements and has delegated this authority to colleges and universities.

This Agreement is entered into between White Earth Tribal and Community College (hereinafter sending institution), and Bemidji State University 1500 Birchmont Drive NE, Bemidji, MN 56601-2699 (hereinafter receiving institution). This Agreement and any amendments and supplements, shall be interpreted pursuant to the laws of the State of Minnesota.

The sending institution has established a **Associate of Arts** (hereinafter sending program), and the receiving institution has established a **Environmental Studies**, **B.S.** (**Ecosystems Emphasis**) (hereinafter receiving program), and will facilitate credit transfer and provide a smooth transition from one related program to another. It is mutually agreed:

Admission and Graduation Requirements

- A. The receiving institution's admission and program admission requirements apply to both direct entry students and to students who transfer under this agreement.
- B. Students must fulfill the graduation requirements at both institutions.
- C. Students must complete the entire sending program and meet the receiving institution's admission requirements for the agreement to apply, including grade requirements for courses and an overall GPA requirement.

Transfer of Credits

- A. The receiving institution will accept 60 credits from the sending program. A total of 60 credits remain to complete the receiving program.
- B. Courses will transfer as described in the attached Program Transfer Table. For system institutions, once the courses are encoded, they will transfer as described in the "*Transferology*" audit.

Implementation and Review

- A. The Chief Academic Officers or designees of the parties to this agreement will implement the terms of this agreement, including identifying and incorporating any changes into subsequent agreements, assuring compliance with system policy, procedure and guidelines, and conducting a periodic review of this agreement.
- B. This Transfer Agreement is effective on 8/19/2021 and shall remain in effect until 8/18/2026 or for five years, whichever occurs first, unless terminated or amended by either party with 90 days prior written notice.
- C. The college and university shall work with students to resolve the transfer of courses should changes to either program occur while the agreement is in effect.
- D. This Transfer Agreement will be reviewed by both parties beginning 2/18/2026 (within six months of the end date).
- E. When a student notifies the receiving institution of their intent to follow this agreement, the receiving institution will encode course waivers and substitutions.

PROGRAM TRANSFER TABLE

Check if the sending program ____ or receiving program ____ is new.

	College (sending)	University (receiving)
Institution	White Earth Tribal and Community College	Bemidji State University
Program name	Associate of Arts	Environmental Studies (Ecosystems Emphasis)
Award Type (e.g., AS)	AA	B.S.
Credit Length	60	120
CIP code (6-digit)	24.0101	03.0103
Program Requirements	See MOU	See MOU

Instructions

- List all required courses in both academic programs.
- MnTC goal areas transfer to the receiving institution according to the goal areas designated by the sending institution.
- Do not indicate a goal area for general education courses that are not part of the MnTC.
- For restricted or unrestricted electives, list number of credits.
- Credits applied: the receiving institution course credit amount may be more or less than the sending institution credit amount. Enter the number of credits that the receiving institution will apply toward degree completion.
- Show equivalent university-college courses on the same row to ensure accurate DARS encoding.
- Equiv/Sub/Wav column: If a course is to be encoded as equivalent, enter Equiv. If a course is to be accepted by the university as a "substitution" only for the purposes of this agreement, enter Sub. If a course requirement is waived by the receiving institution, enter Wav. If a course is to be accepted by the university as a MnTC goal area, restricted elective or unrestricted elective, leave cell blank.

SECTION A - Minnesota Transfer Curriculum-General Education

College (sending)		University (receiving)				
course prefix, number and name	Goal(s) 1	Credits	course prefix, number and name	Goal(s)	Credits Applied	Equiv Sub Wav
Minnesota Transfer Curriculum-General Education						
Area 1 Communication English – 9 Credits **COMM 110 Public Speaking **ENGL 110 College Writing I	1	3	MNTC Equivalent Goal Area and Credits ENGL 1151 Composition	1	3	Equiv
**ENGL 210 College Writing II	1	3	ENGL 1131 Composition ENGL 2152 Argument & Exposition	1	3	
Area 3: Natural Science (One in each category, min. one lab class) Natural Science/Biological *** NATR 120: Environmental Science Lecture & Lab (4 credits) recommended Natural Science/Physical Science *** GEOS 100 Geoscience Today w/Lab	3	7	MNTC Equivalent Goal Area and Credits ***ENVR 2000 Intro. to Environmental Sci. MNTC Equivalent Goal Area and Credits ***GEOL 1110 Physical Geology	3	7	Equiv Equiv
Area 4:Math/Logical Reasoning	4	3	MNTC Equivalent Goal Area and Credits	4	3	Equiv
Area 5 History, Social & Behavioral Sciences *INST 121 Anishinaabe Culture *INST 118 History of White Earth	5,7 5	6	MNTC Equivalent Goal Area and Credits	5,7 5	6	Equiv
Area 6: Fine-Arts Group 1- Arts (3 credits) Group 2 – Humanities (3 credits)	6	6	MNTC Equivalent Goal Area and Credits	6	6	Equiv

¹ MnTC goal areas transfer to the receiving MnSCU college/university according to the goal areas designated by the sending college/university

Area 7: Human Diversity *INST 121 Anishinaabe Culture	7	3	MNTC Equivalent Goal Area and Credits	7	3	Equiv
Area 8: Global Perspective *OJIB 100 Beginning Ojibwemowin (3 cr.)	8	3	MNTC Equivalent Goal Area and Credits	8	3	Equiv
Area 9: Ethical and Civic Responsibility	9	3	MNTC Equivalent Goal Area and Credits	9	3	Equiv
Area 10: People and the Environment	10	3	MNTC Equivalent Goal Area and Credits	10	3	Equiv
MnTC/General Education Total		43				

Special Notes, if any: * Required courses for students earning their AA at White Earth Tribal and Community College.

Students will complete their AA at White Earth Tribal and Community College thus meeting Bemidji State University's Liberal Education requirements according to the MOU signed on 12/4/2020

SECTION B - Major, Emphasis, Restricted and Unrestricted Electives or Other

(pre-requisite courses, required core courses, required courses in an emphasis, or electives (restricted or general) within the major). Restricted electives (in Major) fulfill a specific requirement within a major. Example A: "Chose two of the following three courses;" Example B: A Biology degree may require 40 science credits (20 credits of required courses + 20 credits of listed related courses, such as botany, genetics, sociobiology, etc. which students can select).

Major, Emphasis, Restricted, Unrestricted Electives or Other Courses				
* AA 100 First Year Experience	1	General Elective Credit	1	
* CPTL 100 Computer Literacy	2	General Elective Credit	2	
* AA 200 Last Year Experience		General Elective Credit	1	
NATR 120: Environmental Science Lab	0	*ENVR 2000 Intro. to Environmental Sci.	0	Equiv
GEOS 100 Geoscience Today w/Lab	0	*GEOL 1110 Physical Geology	0	Equiv
Unrestricted elective credits (if none enter 0)	13	College's unrestricted elective credits accepted in transfer (if none enter 0)	13	
Major, Emphasis, Unrestricted Electives Total	17	Total College Credits Applied (sum of sections A and B)	60	

Special Notes: * Required courses for all students earning their AA at White Earth Tribal and Community College.

**Courses meet WETCC Area 3 requirements and are also required or electives in the major. Students not taking NATR 120 at the college will need to take ENVR 2000 at the university. Students not taking GEOS 100 at the college will need to take GEOL 1110 at the university. Credits are reflected in section A of this agreement.

SECTION C - Remaining University (receiving) Requirements				
	course prefix, number and name	Credits		
	Remaining Liberal Education/MNTC Credits Requirements	4-8		
	I REQUIRED CORE COURSES			
	ENVR 3880 Environmental Controversies (2 credits)	2		
	ENVR 4880 Senior Seminar I (1 credit)	1		
	Select 1 of the following courses ENVR 4970 Internship (3 credits) ENVR 4990 Thesis (3 credits)	3		
	Select 1 of the following courses ENVR 3800 Environmental Data Analysis (3 credits) PSY 3401 Basic Statistics for Research (4 credits) SOC 3001 Social Statistics (3 credits) STAT 2610 Applied Statistics (4 credits)	3-4		
	Select 1 of the following courses ENVR 3600 Environmental Justice and Sustainability (3 credits) ENVR 4210 Environmental Law and Policy (3 credits) ENVR 4610 Sustainability: Theory and Practice (4 credits)	3-4		
	Select 1 of the following courses	3-4		

^{**} To meet MNTC requirements, Students must take these designated courses.

^{***}Students not taking NATR 120 at the college will need to take ENVR 2000 at the university.

^{***}Students not taking GEOS 100 at the college will need to take GEOL 1110 at the university.

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	ENVR 4220 Sampling and Analysis (4 credits)	
	GEOL 3120 Soils (4 credits) or BIOL 3120 Soils (4 credits)	
	GEOL 3211 Environmental Hydrology (3 credits)	
	GEOE 3211 Environmental Hydrology (3 credits)	
	ECOSYSTEM STUDIES EMPHASIS	
	Select 1 of the following courses	
	*BIOL 1120 General Biology: Evolution and Ecology (3 credits) *BIOL 1400 Cellular Principles (4 credits) *BIOL 1500 Diversity of Life (4 credits) *CHEM 1111 General Chemistry I (4 credits) or CHEM 2211 Principles of Chemistry I (4 credits) *CHEM 1112 General Chemistry II (4 credits) or CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits) or CHEM 2212 Principles of Chemistry II (4 credits) *GEOL 1120 Historical Geology (4 credits) *PHYS 1101 General Physics I (4 credits) or PHYS 2101 Physics I (4 credits) *PHYS 1102 General Physics II (4 credits) or PHYS 2102 Physics II (4 credits)	3-4
	or PHYS 2102 Physics II (4 credits)	
	Select 34 credits from the following courses that have not been completed in the core. ENVR 3040 Environmental Economics (3 credits) or ECON 3040 Environmental Economics (3 credits) ENVR 3300 Environmental Management and Safety (3 credits) ENVR 3600 Environmental Justice and Sustainability (3 credits) ENVR 3700 Natural Resource Management (3 credits) ENVR 3840 Wetlands Ecology (3 credits) or BIOL 3840 Wetlands Ecology (3 credits) ENVR 4110 Environmental Chemistry (3 credits) ENVR 4200 Wastewater Treatment (3 credits) ENVR 4200 Environmental Law and Policy (3 credits) ENVR 4400 Environmental Microbiology (3 credits) *GEOG 2100 Intro. to Physical Geography (3 credits) *GEOG 3231 Intro. to Geographic Information Systems (3 credits) GEOG 3232 Intermediate Geographic Information Systems (3 credits) GEOG 3255 Introduction to Remote Sensing (3 credits) GEOG 3630 Conservation Biology (3 credits) GEOG 4130 Biogeography (3 credits) GEOG 4140 Landscape Ecology (3 credits) GEOG 4265 Spatial Analysis (3 credits) GEOG 4275 Advanced Geographic Information Systems (3 credits) GEOG 3211 Environmental Hydrology (3 credits) GEOL 3120 Soils (4 credits) or BIOL 3120 Soils (4 credits) GEOL 3211 Environmental Hydrology (3 credits) GEOL 3212 Hydrogeology (3 credits) GEOL 3212 Hydrogeology (3 credits) GEOL 3700 Environmental Geophysics (3 credits) GEOL 3700 Environmental Geophysics (3 credits) GEOL 4300 Global Environmental Change (3 credits)	34
	University unrestricted elective credits not counted elsewhere (if none enter 0)	
	Total Remaining University Credits ²	59
pecial Notes: * signifies course is in the MNTC.		
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SECTION D - Summary of Total Program Credits					
College (sending) Credits		University (receiving) Requirements			
MnTC/General Education	43				
Major, Emphasis, Unrestricted Electives or Other	17				
Total College Credits	60	Total College Credits Applied	60		
		Remaining credit to be taken at the university (receiving institution)	60		
		Total Program Credits	120		
Special Notes, if any:					

 $^{^2}$ At least 40 of the required credits for the baccalaureate degree shall be at the upper-division level. If a lower division course is shown as equivalent to an upper division course, check with the university to determine if it will count toward the 40 required credits of upper division.

College Chief Academic Officer	Name	Signature	Date		
President	Lorna LaGue				
Title					
University Chief Academic Officer	Name	Signature	Date		
Provost Title	Dr. Allen Bedford				
DARS Encoder	Beverly Hodgson				
Date when equivalencies were verified/encoded in DARS by the receiving Minnesota State institution.					