A Discipline Specific Transfer Equivalency Articulation Agreement (DSTE) creates a pathway for students to transfer their credits from two-year institutions and apply them toward a Bachelor’s degree within a specific discipline or degree program at BGSU. Completion of the agreement is coordinated by Academic Operations (bgsu.edu/provost/academic-operations.html).

Before creating a Discipline Specific Transfer Equivalency Articulation Agreement, it is helpful to have an existing articulation agreement between BGSU and the 2-year institution. Please visit the Academic Operations website for a list of established institutional agreements (bgsu.edu/provost/academic-operations/articulation-resources.html).

To create a DSTE, a BGSU initiator (a faculty member or lead advisor) representing the discipline or degree program works with the 2-year institution to complete a DSTE Articulation Agreement form. This process involves identifying general education course equivalencies (called BG Perspective at BGSU) between both institutions. After the form is completed with all identified equivalencies, the document is reviewed by BGSU’s Office of Registration & Records to confirm course transferability. The DSTE Articulation Agreement form is available for download from BGSU’s articulation agreement resources website (bgsu.edu/provost/academic-operations/articulation-resources.html).

Once the DSTE is approved by BGSU Registration & Records, the form is routed between the 2-year institution and BGSU to obtain the appropriate signatures (Discipline Specific Transfer Equivalency Articulation Agreements do not have an expiration date, rather, they remain valid based on the status of the institutional Articulation Agreement). After representatives of both schools have signed the agreement, notice of the agreement is shared with the BGSU academic department, Admissions, eCampus, and Student Financial Aid, and the details of the agreement are posted on BGSU’s articulation website (bgsu.edu/provost/academic-operations/articulation-resources.html).