FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY

Memorandum of Understanding
Between
Fort Hays State University
And
Kansas State Department of Education

I. PURPOSE AND PARTIES

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to facilitate the seamless transition of students who have successfully completed the named Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) Career & Technical Education Pathway to the listed Fort Hays State University (FHSU) program. It is the intent of this cooperative effort to provide the student with a non-duplicative program of study leading to enhanced employment opportunities.

KSDE Career & Technical Pathway: Energy Pathway (14.4801)
FHSU Program: Bachelor of Science (BS) in Technology Studies

II. SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed by and between the parties as follows:

1. The secondary student will attain completer status through successful completion of the listed pathway at his/her high school and complete the listed secondary technical course(s) with the grade of "C" or better.
2. Fort Hays State University will offer the courses listed on the attached program of Study/Course Sequence form.
3. The listed FHSU degree may be granted through the joint agreement. The awarding of such a degree is contingent upon the student completing all degree requirements, including required courses, hours, and grades.
4. Credit will also require the continuance of the KSDE approved Career Cluster Pathway at the high school from which the student graduated.
5. Any courses articulated through Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) are outlined in the table below:

Secondary Technical Course(s)	KS Course Code	FHSU Course(s)	Credit Hours
Energy Industry Fundamentals and Principles of Applied Engineering	41105 & 41320	TECS 120 – Power, Energy, and Transportation	3

6. Restrictions for Credit for Prior Learning include:
   a. Credit will be posted on the college/university transcript. Posting of credit must follow FHSU policies and credit must have assessment verification by FHSU.
   b. The college/university course name will appear on the transcript.
   d. The grade assessment process will be posted as "CR" only, no "A, B, C, D" grade will be recorded to the transcript (CR=credit). The hours will not figure into GPA calculations.
   e. Credit will be posted after both the department offering the listed FHSU course affirms the student has passed an appropriate assessment, and the student has a transcript record of enrollment in courses applicable to the listed degree.
   f. No tuition will be assessed for the credit when approved. However, the Credit for Prior Learning fee (currently $25 per course) will be assessed.

6. The University and any high schools offering the approved Career Cluster Pathway may advertise the programs and will jointly advise the students that this option is available to them.
7. This agreement may be revised/modified by mutual agreement as needed, or in the event of cancellation, discontinuance or disapproval of any course or program by the Kansas State Department of Education or the Kansas Board of Regents.
8. The University agrees to evaluate this program on a regular basis and in the context of student benefits, program efficiency, and effectiveness.
9. This agreement is subject to change or cancellation by the Kansas Legislature at any time in accordance with Article 6, Section 5 of the Kansas Constitution.
10. This agreement supersedes and replaces any and all previous agreements for the listed programs between the parties.

III. DURATION OF AGREEMENT

This MOU is effective upon signing. It shall automatically renew annually upon the same terms on July 1. Either party may terminate this MOU with written notice to the other party sixty (60) days or more prior to the renewal date. If the MOU is terminated, students currently enrolled at FHSU in the KSDE-FHSU articulated program at the time of termination will be permitted to complete their degree(s) under the conditions of this agreement.

IV. CONCLUSIONS AND SIGNATURES

It is the intent of FHSU and KSDE that this MOU is in full force and effective as of the signature date(s) below.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the principals hereto have caused this MOU to be signed by their duly authorized principals.

On behalf of Fort Hays State University:		On behalf of Kansas State Department of Education	
Wesley D Wintch	11/14/2024		11-18-24
FHSU Representative	Date	KSDE Representative	Date
Wesley D. Wintch Vice President for Administration and Finance			

Approved as to Form
Fort Hays State University
General Counsel