

Lock Haven University

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New agreement eases transfer from Penn College to Lock Haven University: “Seamless transfer” for Penn College students with Associate degrees in Early Childhood Education

LOCK HAVEN, Pa. -

Students at Pennsylvania College of Technology completing an Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education are eligible for guaranteed transfer to Lock Haven University’s Bachelor of Science Degree program in PreK-4/Early Childhood Education, thanks to a newly-signed articulation agreement between the two institutions.

The agreement guarantees students who have earned the Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education at Penn College admission with advanced standing at the junior level to the Lock Haven University program.

Dr. Denise Tyson, associate professor of Pre-K/Early Childhood Education at Lock Haven University, stated, “The Early Childhood Education articulation agreement that LHU has reached with Penn College is a welcome addition to our program. We have a long history of accepting students from Penn College’s graduates into our baccalaureate program. This agreement eases that transition, for the students and creates a more solid relationship with faculty from both colleges.”

Dr. Deborah Erickson, Lock Haven University provost and vice president for academic affairs, also praised the articulation agreement. “The new Early Childhood education articulation agreement between Lock Haven University and Penn College demonstrates the collaboration between the two institutions to work together for the benefit of students,” she said. “This agreement provides two year graduates a seamless transfer to work on a Bachelors degree and certification to teach in early childhood and PreK-4 settings.”

Erickson’s comments were echoed by Eugene M. McAvoy, assistant dean of integrated studies-programs at Penn College. “This agreement is indicative of the dedication, expertise, and collaboration underlying the programs at both institutions,” he said.

Penn College students interested in transferring to LHU upon completion of their Associate Degree in early Childhood Education are encouraged to contact the office of admissions during the first or second year of study at Penn College.

The transfer process includes a letter of intent, completion of the transfer admissions application, and payment of appropriate deposits and fees. Lock Haven University will accept a maximum of 60 credits from Penn College which includes up to 30 credits in general education (6 of which also satisfy requirements for the ECED major) and up to 30 credits for professional courses.

Further information about requirements and the transfer process are available from Dr. Denise Tyson, chair of LHU’s Department of PreK-4/Early Childhood Education Program (570-484-2157; dtyson@lhup.edu). To learn more about early childhood education and other academic programs offered by the School of Integrated Studies at Penn College, call 570-327-4521 or visit www.pct.edu/schools/is

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