

**Charter Oak State College
and
Cochise College**

Parties:

~~Charter Oak State College~~, New Britain, CT, Connecticut's distance learning college, was established in 1973 by the Connecticut Legislature to provide an alternative way for adult learners to earn a college degree. In addition to offering its own distance learning courses, Charter Oak State College recognizes credits earned from a variety of sources including transfer of credit from other regionally accredited colleges, examinations, portfolio assessment, contract learning, certain professional certifications or licenses, and most ACE/PONSI credit recommended military and corporate training. Charter Oak State College is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and by the Board of Governors of Higher Education of the State of Connecticut.

Cochise College, Douglas, AZ, was established in 1961 as Arizona's second community college in order to provide high quality, educational opportunities accessible to all, with a focus on student success and community needs, including occupational programs for youth and adults in career and technical fields, two-year transfer educational programs to qualify students for admission to the junior year at other colleges and universities, and a broad range of personal, career, and technical education for adults. Cochise College is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

Agreement:

This collaborative agreement is made between the two parties to provide Cochise College students who have completed associate degrees in the areas of Administration of Justice, Fire Science Technology, or Paramedicine a flexible, accelerated and non-traditional means of earning the credits necessary for a Bachelor's of Science degree at Charter Oak State College with a concentration in either Public Safety Administration or Individualized Studies.

Cochise College agrees to:

Offer associate degrees in Administration of Justice, Fire Science Technology or Paramedicine.

Submit official transcripts to Charter Oak State College upon the student's request.

Inform Charter Oak State College of any changes in Cochise College policies and catalog changes.

Make financial aid available, as applicable, to students in their associate degree programs.

Permit students pursuing a bachelor's degree from Charter Oak State College, to earn additional Cochise College credits beyond the associate's degree.

Advise students about the Bachelor of Science with a concentration in Public Safety Administration offered by Charter Oak State College.

Charter Oak State College Agrees to:

~~Offer online courses to fulfill the degree requirements of the Public Safety Administration concentration.~~

Accept the credit recommendation from the National PONS I for on site delivery of public safety administration courses offered by the Public Safety Education Institute, (PSEI) Phoenix, Arizona per agreement with Charter Oak State College.

Continue to offer the public safety administration courses online in the event that PSEI decides to no longer offer the courses onsite .

Accept the credits from Cochise College and the credit recommendation from National PONS I for the Public Safety Education Institute courses providing that these courses follow the template agreed upon for this program of study and award a Bachelors of Science degree. (See attached)

Inform Cochise College of any changes in Charter Oak College policies and catalog changes.

Grant a Bachelor's of Science degree to students who successfully complete the degree requirements for the program. The diploma will state Bachelor of Science. The transcript will state the concentration in either Public Safety Administration or Individualized Studies.

Charter Oak State College will make financial aid available to qualified students, as applicable, as a component of the matriculation process at Charter Oak State College.

Additional Responsibilities:

Both parties will cooperate in developing marketing materials to be used in promotion and advertising. The use by one party of another party's name or logo for print and electronic advertising material and any other publicity shall be subject to the prior written approval (including Email or fax) of the party whose name or logo is being used.

Both parties must approve the publicity, regardless of medium used, on this program before it is distributed

This agreement may not be modified, amended or otherwise changed except by written instruction agreed to and signed by officials of both parties. The agreement may be terminated by either of the parties upon six (6) months written notice.

Charter Oak State College

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