

Master Articulation Agreement

Anne Arundel Community College
101 College Parkway
Arnold, Maryland, 21012-1895

University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC)
1000 Hilltop Circle
Baltimore, Maryland 21250

Entered into this 1st day of April, 2019.

Philip Rous

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Provost and
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University of Maryland, Baltimore County

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This Master Articulation Agreement (“Agreement”) is applicable for students enrolled at Anne Arundel Community College upon the execution date of this Agreement. This Agreement may be modified by the mutual written consent of both parties. This Agreement may be terminated by either party by giving written notice six months prior to the intended termination date to the other party. Such termination will not affect the participation in the articulated programs of those Anne Arundel Community College students who have been fully admitted or admitted on probation to UMBC.

Any notice to be given hereunder shall be given in writing by U.S. mail or via reputable overnight courier (e.g., Federal Express, DHL, etc.). Notice shall be deemed received upon delivery to the party to whom the notice is directed or to its agent, in the case of UMBC to:

In the case of UMBC:

University of Maryland, Baltimore County
1000 Hilltop Circle
Baltimore, MD 21250
Attn: Office of the Provost
CC: Office of Enrollment Management
CC: Registrar’s Office

In the case of AACC:

Anne Arundel Community College
101 College Parkway
Arnold, MD 21012-1895
Attn: Vice President for Learning
CC: Office of Instructional Partnerships

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that this Agreement provides that a notice must be directed to a person other than the person designated for the receipt of notice of termination then that notice must be directed to such other person in order to be effective hereunder.

This Agreement embodies the entire Agreement and understanding among the parties hereto relating to the subject matter hereof and may not be changed orally, but only by an instrument in writing signed and dated by all parties hereto. No representation, warranty, undertaking or covenant is made by any party hereto except as contained herein and any others are specifically disclaimed. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland (i.e., without regard to its conflicts of law rules). This Agreement shall be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors, but shall not inure to the benefit of any third party beneficiary. This Agreement and any rights hereunder may not be assigned by either party without the prior written consent of the other, and any purported assignment without consent shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement.

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Master Articulation Agreement

This Agreement is entered into this 1st day of April, 2019 by and between Anne Arundel Community College (AACC) and University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC).

I. PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this Agreement is to establish a collaboration between AACC and UMBC for the purpose of providing transfer pathways for the AACC students (each, a “Transfer Pathway”) including the responsibilities of each party and opportunities for students who choose to follow a Transfer Pathway, in an effort to facilitate transfer and degree completion at the respective institutions.

1.2 For each department, major, or track at either AACC or UMBC desiring to establish a Transfer Pathway, the parties shall enter into a separate addendum under this Agreement (each, an “Addendum”), specifying the department, major, or track of AACC sending students to UMBC, the department, major, or track of UMBC awarding transfer credit, and other relevant information as is set forth in Exhibit A hereto, “Example Program Articulation Agreement”.

II. ACCEPTANCE AND APPLICATION OF TRANSFER CREDITS

2.1 All AACC courses meeting general education requirements at AACC will transfer and be applied toward the general education requirements at UMBC.

2.2 At least 60 credits but not more than 70 credits of general education, elective, and major courses that a student earns at AACC toward an associate’s of art or an associate’s of science degree shall be transferrable to UMBC for credit toward a bachelor’s degree.

2.3 Coursework of AACC students originating from institutions other than AACC will be evaluated on a course by course basis. Credit for competency-based education will be awarded as outlined in the UMBC Undergraduate Catalog.

2.4 Upon matriculation to UMBC, transferrable coursework from AACC will be applied toward general education, graduation and major requirements outlined in the UMBC Undergraduate Catalog.

III. ACADEMIC PLANNING

3.1 To facilitate a seamless transition, AACC students should work closely with their academic advisor at AACC to develop a comprehensive academic plan as early in their academic career as possible and prior to transfer.

3.2 Students and advisors are encouraged to utilize a variety of advising resources including the 4 Year Program Articulation Pathway (accompanying this agreement), AACC Catalog, UMBC Undergraduate Catalog, respective departmental websites, and ARTSYS (the USM online articulation database), to ascertain transferability of coursework.

IV. ADMISSIONS

4.1 The UMBC Admissions Committee evaluates transfer applicants on the basis of their academic record at previous institutions. Cumulative grade point average, performance trends, strength of curriculum and performance in courses related to the intended area of study are considered.

4.2 Applicants successfully completing the articulated program with a 2.0 or better grade point average who have not subsequently matriculated at any other institution of higher education will be guaranteed transfer admission to UMBC. Additional requirements may apply on selective admissions programs (e.g. Engineering, Visual Arts, and Performing Arts). UMBC, in its sole discretion, may elect to disqualify a candidate from guaranteed admissions where that candidate has engaged in academic or behavioral misconduct inconsistent with UMBC standards.

V. ACADEMIC ADVISING

5.1 Following admission to UMBC, students will have access to numerous advising tools including an Advising Profile, a Transfer Credit Report and a Degree Audit detailing prior coursework transferability and applicability to university, general, and major requirements.

5.2 Prior to matriculation to UMBC, all new students are required to attend the mandatory new student orientation program. During orientation, students will meet with an academic advisor to review prior coursework, discuss academic interests and goals and register for the upcoming semester.

5.3 After orientation, students will be assigned an advisor in their area of study. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with their assigned advisor periodically. Students are required to meet with their advisor prior to registering for subsequent semesters.

5.4 Students, in consultation with their academic advisor, will develop an individualized degree plan for completion of all general education, graduation and major requirements as outlined in the UMBC Undergraduate Catalog. These requirements include a minimum of 120 credits, of which at least 30 credits must be earned at UMBC.

VI. SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID

6.1 Students transferring from AACC to UMBC who meet the transfer admissions priority deadline as well as academic requirements applicable to all students, may be eligible for the following scholarships offered by UMBC:

6.1.1 The Academic Achievement Award for Transfers (AAAT) - awarded to community college transfers on the basis of academic accomplishment. Awards of up to \$2,500 per year for two academic years may be used for full- or part-time study. Students must have completed 35 or more college level credits at the time of application to be eligible for consideration.

6.1.2 Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Scholarship - awarded to community college transfers on the basis of academic accomplishment. Awards of up to \$2,500 per year for two academic years may be used for full- or part-time study. Students must submit proof of PTK membership to be eligible for consideration.

6.1.3 Transfer Student Alliance (TSA) Award - awarded to Maryland community college transfers who will complete the associate's degree prior to transfer and who meet all other TSA program requirements. Awards of \$1,500 per year for two academic years may be used for full- or part-time study.

6.2 The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is required to be eligible for need-based aid. Students must indicate UMBC's school code of 002105 when submitting the FAFSA. All students are encouraged to submit the FAFSA beginning October 1 but no later than the priority application deadline of December 14 (for Spring transfer) or February 14 (for Fall transfer).

VII. PERIODIC AGREEMENT REVIEW

7.1 As agreed by both parties, this Agreement will be reviewed every five years and updated whenever substantive changes in the program(s) occur at either UMBC or Anne Arundel Community College.

Exhibit A – Example Program Articulation Agreement

Addendum to Master Articulation Agreement

1. This Addendum supplement is incorporated and becomes part of the Master Articulation Agreement entered into by Anne Arundel Community College (AACC) and University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC) on the 1st day of April, 2019 (the “Agreement”). Capitalized terms shall have the meaning set forth in the Agreement. This Addendum shall terminate upon termination or expiration of the Agreement. In the event that the Agreement is renewed, or that the parties enter into a new Master Articulation Agreement, this Addendum shall continue in effect unless the parties explicitly state in writing otherwise.
2. This Addendum establishes a Transfer Pathway in which students from the selected department, major, or track of AACC may seamlessly transfer into the selected department, major, or track of UMBC.
3. The contacts for each party for all notices and other correspondence related to this Addendum are listed below:

If to UMBC:

University of Maryland, Baltimore County
1000 Hilltop Circle
Baltimore, MD 21250
Attn:
Dept:
Phone:
Email:

If to AACC:

Anne Arundel Community College
101 College Parkway
Arnold, MD, 21012
Attn:
Dept:
Phone:
Email:

4. For each department, major, or track of AACC and department, major, or track of UMBC selected for a Transfer Pathway, both institutions agree that faculty representatives from both institutions will meet regularly to engage in ongoing discussion to enhance and strengthen this collaboration, provide a Program Articulation Pathway attached hereto and incorporated herein, and provide a Planning Guide attached hereto and incorporated herein which details a course of study at AACC where course equivalencies, general education and major applicability are indicated.

Name
Chair,
University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Name
Dean/Assistant Dean/Chair/Director
Anne Arundel Community College

Program Articulation Pathway



4 Year Program Articulation Pathway



Catalog Year:

		Associate Award Name				
		Fall Semester		Spring Semester		
Anne Arundel Community College	Year 1	Course	Credits	Course	Credits	
		Total	0	Total	0	
	Year 2	Course	Credits	Course	Credits	
	Total	0	Total	0		

Articulation Notes:

* Course can be used to satisfy UMBC major requirements when completed with a "C" or better.

** Foreign Language Requirement: The language requirement consists of completion of a foreign language through the 201 level or demonstrated proficiency at that level. The proficiency requirement is met by previous experience as follows: 1) completion of level 4 or higher of a language in high school, or 2) corresponding AP, IB or CLEP credit, or 3) completion of a language through the 201 level at a regionally accredited college or university.

		Bachelors Award Name				
		Fall Semester		Spring Semester		
UMBC	Year 3	Course	Credits	Course	Credits	
		Total	0	Total	0	
	Year 4	Course	Credits	Course	Credits	
	Total	0	Total	0		

With questions at Anne Arundel Community College, contact

With questions at UMBC, contact

Updated:

Planning Guide

Anne Arundel Community College					UMBC Equivalency					
Anne Arundel Community College - Associate's Degree Name					UMBC Equivalency					
University of Maryland, Baltimore County - Bachelor's Degree Name					UMBC Equivalency					
Catalog Year:					UMBC Equivalency					
CODE	TITLE	NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS	Credits	COURSE	GEP	Credits				
			Total Credits at AACCC:				Total Credits at AACCC:			
							Transferable credits to UMBC (Maximum #):	0		

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Addendum to Master Articulation Agreement

1. This Addendum supplement, executed on the 15th day of September, 2021, is incorporated and becomes part of the Master Articulation Agreement entered into by Anne Arundel Community College (AACC) and University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC) on the 1st day of April, 2019 (the “Agreement”). Capitalized terms shall have the meaning set forth in the Agreement. This Addendum shall terminate upon termination or expiration of the Agreement. In the event that the Agreement is renewed, or that the parties enter into a new Master Articulation Agreement, this Addendum shall continue in effect unless the parties explicitly state in writing otherwise.
2. This Addendum establishes a Transfer Pathway in which students completing the Transfer Studies, A.A. from AACC may seamlessly transfer into the American Studies, B.A. of UMBC.
3. The contacts for each party for all notices and other correspondence related to this Addendum are listed below:

If to UMBC:

University of Maryland, Baltimore County
1000 Hilltop Circle
Baltimore, MD 21250
Attn: Nathan Fanning
Dept: Undergraduate Admissions and
Orientation
Phone: 410-455-3818
Email: nfanning@umbc.edu

If to AACC:

Anne Arundel Community College
101 College Parkway
Arnold, MD, 21012
Attn: Marcus Wright
Dept: Office of Instructional Partnerships
Phone: 410-777-2777
Email: mwright22@aacc.edu

4. For each department, major, or track of AACC and department, major, or track of UMBC selected for a Transfer Pathway, both institutions agree that faculty representatives from both institutions will meet regularly to engage in ongoing discussion to enhance and strengthen this collaboration, provide a Program Articulation Pathway attached hereto and incorporated herein, and provide a Planning Guide attached hereto and incorporated herein which details a course of study at AACC where course equivalencies, general education and major applicability are indicated.

Nicole King

Nicole King, Ph.D.
Chair, American Studies
University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Marjorie Rawhouser

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Anne Arundel Community College



4 Year Program Articulation Pathway



Catalog 2021-2022

Transfer Studies, A.A.

		Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
		Course	Credits	Course	Credits
Anne Arundel Community College	Year 1	ENG101 or ENG101H or ENG101A	3	ENG102 or ENG102H	3
		^GEO103 or Social and Behavioral Science	3	Wellness Requirement	3
		Arts and Humanities (non-AMS)	3	Arts and Humanities (**Foreign Language)	3
		Mathematics	3	*AMS100 - Introduction to American Studies	3
		ACA 100 (or completion of 24 credits)	1	Technology Requirement	3
		Total	13	Total	15
Anne Arundel Community College	Year 2	Course	Credits	Course	Credits
		*AMS121 - Popular Culture in America	3	AMS Elective	3
		Elective (**Foreign Language)	3	Biological & Physical Sciences with lab	4
		Social and Behavioral Sciences	3	*AMS223 - History of American Architecture	3
		Biological & Physical Sciences	3	Elective (**Foreign Language)	3
		Elective (Diversity course, if needed)	3	Elective	4
Total	15	Total	17		

Articulation Notes:

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^ GEO103 can be used to satisfy one and only lower level core theme major requirement when completed with a "C" or better if the student completes an education certificate

^^ One 200-level course may be applied to the Core Themes. One course in the Core Themes must be a 400-level seminar.

American Studies, B.A.

		Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
		Course	Credits	Course	Credits
UMBC	Year 3	AMST200 - What is an American?	3	AMST300 - Approaches in American Studies	3
		Upper Level Elective	3	AMST205 or Applied Experience	3
		Upper Level Elective	3	^^Core Theme Requirement	3
		Elective	3	Upper Level Elective	3
		Elective	3	Elective	3
		Total	15	Total	15
	Year 4	Course	Credits	Course	Credits
		American Studies 400-Level Seminar	3	AMST490 - Senior Seminar	3
		^^Core Theme Requirement	3	^^Core Theme Requirement	3
		^^Core Theme Requirement	3	Upper Level Elective	3
Upper Level Elective (if needed) or Elective		3	Upper Level Elective	3	
Upper Level Elective	3	Elective	3		
Total	15	Total	15		

With questions at AACC contact Marjorie Rawhouse, marawhouser@aacc.edu, 410-777-2436

With questions at UMBC contact Kathy Bryan, kbryan@umbc.edu, 410-455-1351

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Anne Arundel Community College - Transfer Studies, A.A.
 UMBC - American Studies, B.A.
 Catalog 2021-2022

Anne Arundel Community College Course		UMBC Course			
Code	Title	AACC Credits	UMBC Equivalency	GEP	Credits
General Requirements					
ENG101 and ENG102		6	ENGL100 and Lower Level Elective - English	EN and AH	6
Arts and Humanities (**Foreign Language)		3		C	3
Arts and Humanities (non-AMS)		3		AH	3
Biological & Physical Sciences		3		S	3
Biological & Physical Sciences with lab		4		SL	4
Technology Requirement		3		SS	3
Wellness Requirement		3		SS	3
Mathematics		3		M	3
^GEO103 or Social and Behavioral Science (two-different disciplines)		3		SS	3
Social and Behavioral Sciences (two-different disciplines)		3		SS	3
Program Requirements					
*AMS100	Introduction to American Studies	3	Lower Level Elective - American Studies	AH	3
*AMS121	Popular Culture in America	3	AMS325 - Studies in Popular Culture	AH	3
*AMS223	History of American Architecture	3	AMS388 - American Environments	AH	3
AMS Elective		3			3
Electives					
**Foreign Language		3		C	3
**Foreign Language		3		201L	3
Elective (Diversity course, if needed)		3			3
Elective		4			4
ACA 100 (or completion of 24 credits)		1			1
Total Credits at AACC:		60	Transferrable credits to UMBC (Maximum 60 credits):		60
* Course can be used to satisfy major requirements when completed with a "C" or better.					
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^ Course can be used to satisfy major requirements if student completes an education certificate and when the course is completed with a "C" or better. It will be used to satisfy the one and only lower level core theme requirement.					
^^ One 200-level course may be applied to the Core Themes. One course in the Core Themes must be a 400-level seminar.					
CODE	TITLE		NOTES/RECOMMENDATIONS	GEP	CREDITS
AMST200	What is an American?				3
AMST300	Approaches in American Studies			WI	3
AMST4xx Seminar					3
AMST490	Senior Seminar			WI	3
^^AMST3xxor4xx	Core Theme: US Social Structures: American Regions, Institutions, and Communities				3
^^AMST3xxor4xx	Core Theme: Global America: The US in the World, the World in the US				3
^^AMST3xxor4xx	Core Theme: American Signs: US Literary, Visual, and Material Culture				3
^^AMST3xxor4xx	Core Theme: American Signs: US Literary, Visual, and Material Culture				3
AMST205 or Applied Experience					3
Upper Level Elective					3
Upper Level Elective					3
Upper Level Elective					3
Upper Level Elective					3
Upper Level Elective					3
Upper Level Elective					3
Upper Level Elective					3
Upper Level Elective					3
Upper Level Elective					3
Upper Level Elective					3
Elective or Upper Level Elective (if needed)					3
Elective					3
Elective					3
Elective					3
Elective					3
Total credits at UMBC:					60
Total credits for degree at UMBC (Minimum 120 credits):					120