

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
for the
Associate in Arts, Associate in Fine Arts, Associate in Science,
and Associate in Applied Science Degrees
at
Mercer County Community College
and the
Bachelor of Science Accelerated Degree Completion Program (**Evening Studies**)
at
Philadelphia University

This is an articulation agreement between Mercer County Community College (MCCC) and Philadelphia University's Office of Continuing & Professional Studies Accelerated Bachelor of Science Degree Completion Program (**Evening Studies**). The program offers the following nine majors: Behavioral and Health Services, Health Sciences, Health Services Management, Human Resource Management, Information Technology, Law Enforcement Leadership, Leadership in Emergency Services, Organizational Leadership and Pre-MBA. Attached to this agreement is the curriculum for each major. This agreement facilitates the transfer of Mercer County Community College students who earn any Associate degree at MCCC.

Subject to the terms of this agreement, students who complete any Associate degree at MCCC are assured third-year status in Philadelphia University's Continuing & Professional Studies Accelerated Bachelor of Science Degree Completion Program (**Evening Studies**).

Terms and Conditions

The following terms and conditions apply for MCCC graduates:

1. complete any Associate degree program (by selecting courses as described in this agreement);
2. achieve a final grade point average of at least 2.00;
3. complete an application for admission, submit a personal statement and resume, and complete an admissions interview*. Additionally, all candidates must follow any schedule for payment of fees and other registration procedures that apply to other entering students at Philadelphia University;
4. enroll at Philadelphia University within three years after MCCC graduation, and not attend another college or university in the interim;
5. complete a minimum of 33 credit hours at Philadelphia University; and
6. successfully complete courses at MCCC with grades \geq C- in order for courses to transfer.

*The admissions interview is intended to provide an opportunity for students to meet with an advisor. Review of the curriculum, course registration and completion time will be discussed. The interview is not conducted to determine admission to Philadelphia University.

Philadelphia University will waive the application fee for students who are graduates of any MCCC Associate degree program and meet the above listed terms and conditions.

MCCC students who transfer are responsible only for requirements in place at Philadelphia University at the date of their graduation from any Associate degree program at MCCC.

Students who do not earn the Associate degree are not covered by this agreement. For non-graduates, Philadelphia University determines appropriate transfer of credits on a course-by-course basis and admits students on an individual basis.

Philadelphia University's Accelerated Scholars Scholarship Program

Mercer County Community College students who graduate with a grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 – 4.0 will be granted a scholarship of 25% per credit at Philadelphia University. MCCC students who graduate with a GPA of 3.0 – 3.49 will be granted a scholarship of 20% per credit. In order to qualify for this scholarship, students must adhere to the following:

- graduate from MCCC with an Associate degree;
- apply, be accepted and enroll in Philadelphia University's Accelerated Bachelor of Science Degree Completion Program (**Evening Studies**) within three years of graduation from MCCC;
- maintain a GPA of at least a 3.0 while enrolled at Philadelphia University;
- once enrolled at Philadelphia University, students are not permitted to take courses at other institutions without the written permission from the Director of Student Services in Philadelphia University's Office of Continuing and Professional Studies;
- sign a scholarship agreement that acknowledges a clear understanding of the regulations listed above.

All scholarships will be renewed each year contingent upon the student maintaining a 3.0 GPA at Philadelphia University. Should a student's GPA fall below a 3.0, and he/she has earned 12 credits or more at Philadelphia University, the scholarship agreement will be deemed invalid.

This scholarship program pertains only to Philadelphia University's Accelerated Bachelor of Science Degree Completion Program. Classes in this program are offered in the evening and occasional Saturdays. Classes are not offered during the day.

Responsibilities of Institutions

Each institution will designate a representative who will coordinate the administration of the agreement. The Mercer County Community College Transfer and Career Services Office will maintain and distribute information (to be provided by Philadelphia University) about this agreement to students, counselors and faculty advisors. Changes to this agreement will be distributed through the Transfer and Career Services Office.

Philadelphia University's Office of Continuing & Professional Studies will keep appropriate staff informed of this agreement and is responsible for the distribution of information about changes to this agreement.

Both institutions will encourage MCCC students to meet with representatives from Philadelphia University for discussion of issues related to admission and financial aid well in advance of their expected date of entry to Philadelphia University.

MCCC and Philadelphia University will provide direct links between their websites.

Philadelphia University will attend regularly scheduled transfer programs at MCCC and will provide MCCC with agreement fact sheets and transfer guides to distribute upon request.

MCCC will assist Philadelphia University with marketing efforts and identifying potential students.

Philadelphia University will provide MCCC with data regarding the enrollment and anonymous academic progress of MCCC students in the Accelerated Bachelor of Science Degree Completion Program at Philadelphia University on an annual basis.

This agreement will renew yearly unless superseded by a new agreement. Either institution may terminate this agreement at any time by written notice of at least one year in advance of the effective date of termination. Should this agreement be terminated, the termination will not apply to students already accepted to Philadelphia University under the terms of this agreement, but not yet enrolled in classes.

Course Competencies/Requirements

Students who have completed any Associate degree at MCCC are eligible for admission to Philadelphia University's Accelerated Bachelor of Science Degree Completion Program. Please note that all college-level classes completed with grades \geq C- are transferable, but not necessarily applicable to the degree program.

To facilitate transfer of credits, students are encouraged to complete one class from each of the following seven categories while pursuing an Associate degree.


<u>Philadelphia University requirement</u>	<u>MCCC Equivalent</u>
1 Writing course	BUS 209 CMN 131, 231 ENG 101, 102*, 112*, 215, 218 LEG 133
1 Math course	MAT 108 and above
1 Science course	any Biology course any Chemistry course except CHE 299, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307 or 308 any Physics course OHT 101, 102, 108, 121, 204 MLT 104, 112, 115, 200, 205
1 History course	any History course except 110, 122, 210, 238
1 Social Science course	any Economics course HIS 122 any Psychology course any Political Science course** any Sociology course WGS 132, WGS 221*
1 Humanities course	any Foreign Language course any Philosophy course (220**) ART 101, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 236 HIS 110, 210, 238 MUS 103, 155, 206, 224, 225 ENG 102*, 112*, 201-214, 216, 220-238 PHO 110 POL 211**, 220** any Religious Studies course (211**) WGS 221*
1 Information Systems course	CIS 112 any COS course any IST course except IST 111, 209, 255, 259, 297, 298, 306, 307, 308 NET 104 and above

NOTE – If a student earns a “D” grade in a science class, but a “C-” or higher in the lab, science credit will not be awarded.

- ***ENG 102 and ENG 112** can fulfill either the Writing or Humanities requirement. Students may use either class only once; credit cannot be awarded in both categories.
- **POL 211/REL 211, POL 220/PHI 220 and WGS 221** can fulfill either the Social Science or Humanities requirement. Students may use either class only once; credit cannot be awarded in both categories.


This agreement goes into effect Spring 2008. Mercer County Community College and Philadelphia University commit to the provisions of this agreement as indicated by the signatures below:

For Mercer County Community College:



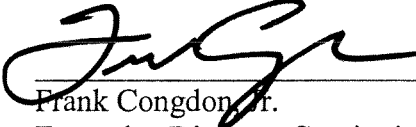
Date
President 6/25/08

For Philadelphia University:



Date
Jeffrey D. Senese, Ph.D.
Vice President for Academic Affairs/
Dean of Faculty 7/2/2008

Date



Date
Frank Congdon, Jr.
Executive Director, Continuing &
Professional Studies 7/2/08



TRANSFER GUIDE College Studies

The College Studies portion of the Philadelphia University curriculum consists of fifteen courses in the liberal arts and sciences area that are required of all students. This guide is intended to help transfer students determine how credits earned at other institutions may fit into the College Studies curriculum at Philadelphia University. Transfer credit is awarded to accepted students for completed courses at regionally accredited institutions with a grade of C- or higher. This reference guide does not guarantee admission to the University or transferability of course work. A transfer counselor can answer specific questions regarding other courses outside the College Studies curriculum. You may contact the Office of Admissions at 215-951-2800 or 800-951-7287.

FRESHMEN who wish to complete course work prior to matriculating at Philadelphia University should contact an Admissions Counselor for more information regarding transferability of credits. We recommend that students complete Writing Seminar I (American Lives: Commonality and Diversity) and History courses at Philadelphia University if possible because these courses focus on research and writing skills for professional majors.

TRANSFERS may contact a Transfer Counselor regarding transferability of courses specific to their major.

CURRENT STUDENTS should consult the University catalog or their Advisor with regard to taking courses at other institutions.

<u>Philadelphia University</u>		<u>Transfer Institution</u>
<u>COURSE #</u>	<u>COURSE NAME OR GROUP</u>	<u>COURSES THAT CAN TRANSFER AS EQUIVALENTS</u>
L111	Writing Seminar I	English Composition I
L61_	Writing Seminar II	No equivalent
L121	Science I	Science course (lab not required)
L31_	Science II	Science course with a lab (see major for specific course requirements)

Students are required to take two courses in mathematics. The specific course sequence depends upon the student's major. The two-course sequences are:

L130/131 Finite Math and L132 Introduction to Calculus

L135 Pre-calculus and L132 Introduction to Calculus

L-135 Pre-calculus and L141 Calculus I

L141 Calculus I and L142 Calculus II

L17_	Historical Understanding I	A modern World, European or American History course (writing and research focused)
L36_	Social Science I	A course in Sociology, Psychology, Political Science, Anthropology, or Gender Studies
L38_	Humanities I	A course in Literature, Philosophy, Religion, Logic, Ethics or second writing course

Students must choose two Level II Interdisciplinary College Studies:

L67_	Level II College Studies/History	Advanced level, topical or thematic History course
L68_	Level II College Studies/Humanities	Advanced level, topical or thematic Humanities course
L66_	Level II College Studies/Soc Sci	Advanced level, topical or thematic Social Science course
L34_ L64_	Language or Area Studies I & II	Two semesters of any foreign language <u>or</u> Area Studies/regional course with focus on 19 th , 20 th centuries economic, social and political issues
L15_	Arts & Culture	Visual literacy course, music or theatre appreciation (not art history or performance course)
L911	Contemporary Perspectives	No equivalent

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For more information, please contact:
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