

**ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**  
**BETWEEN THE**  
**COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES-PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR**  
**AT**  
**WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY**  
**AND**  
**MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

The intent of this articulation agreement is to define the procedures for a transfer articulation between **William Paterson University College of Humanities and Social Sciences and Mercer County Community College**. Both entities agree to mutual cooperation in establishing and maintaining articulation for their respective programs for the Associate of Arts degree programs transferable to the College of Humanities and Social Sciences Bachelor of Arts degree programs. The principal beneficiaries of this agreement are students enrolled in the Associate of Arts (A.A.) in Liberal Arts whose progress toward their degrees is best assured when they are provided with current information about courses and programs and protected by firm arrangements between departments and institutions, which provide the opportunity of planning a total baccalaureate degree through program to program agreement at the outset of their college education.

Students seeking to major in Liberal Arts at **Mercer County Community College** will be subject to all the requirements of native candidates at William Paterson University. Students who complete their AA degree after January 1, 2005 and thereafter and meet the grade point average set forth by **William Paterson University College of Humanities and Social Sciences** will be guaranteed admission into the Psychology major with third year (junior) status. These students will be exempt from taking WPU General Education or University Core Curriculum course requirements. Students are required to take the foreign language requirement and any class required for the major at **William Paterson University** conditional upon meeting the prerequisites of the minimum requirements for admission to the College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

**William Paterson University** agrees to accept all the general education credits included in this agreement. Course equivalencies already articulated will also be accepted (see Attachment A) and will serve as the basis for equivalencies.

This agreement will become effective immediately upon the signatures of both parties. Immediately thereafter, **William Paterson University** will provide information packets for transfer admission, special transfer days, and other recruitment services. In turn, **Mercer County Community College** will make available to its students all information, including the list of course equivalencies pertaining to this agreement. The agreement and equivalencies will be reviewed on a regular basis.

## **PRINCIPLES OF THE AGREEMENT**

### **COMPLETION OF PROGRAMS**

**Mercer County Community College** transfer students will be required to meet all graduation requirements as listed for **William Paterson University** students.

### **SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS**

The determination of major program requirements for a baccalaureate degree in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences shall be the responsibility of **William Paterson University**.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

- A. Course equivalencies and/or area requirements. Specific courses required for admission to the Liberal Studies Programs have been included in Appendix A.
- B. **Students with an AA Degree (Liberal Arts)**

Students who earn an Associate of Arts degree in Liberal Arts after January 1, 2005\* at **Mercer County Community College** are exempt from taking General Education or University Core Curriculum course requirements. However, they are required to take the foreign language requirement and any class required for the major at **William Paterson University** conditional upon meeting the prerequisites of the minimum requirements for admission to the College of Humanities and Social Sciences. Associate of Arts (AA) degree students will be provided with individual evaluations of coursework based on course equivalencies articulated between **Mercer County Community College** and **William Paterson University College of Humanities and Social Sciences**.

### **FINANCIAL AID**

College students transferring to **William Paterson University** will be treated the same as native **William Paterson University** students of equal class standing when applying for financial aid and in the award and distribution of funds.

### **WPU and MCCC Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**

Students taking Liberal Arts classes at **Mercer County Community College** and seek to major in Psychology at WPU are subject to the policies and guidelines set forth in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between **William Paterson University** and **Mercer County Community College**.

**\*As stated in the NJ Statewide Transfer Agreement.**

## **AGREEMENT REVIEW AND UPDATE**

**William Paterson University** and **Mercer County Community College** will assign a staff member to serve as a liaison to assure maintenance of communication between the two institutions. As necessary, **Mercer County Community College** and **William Paterson University** faculty shall meet to discuss academic programs, especially with regard to any changes being contemplated. William Paterson University and Mercer County Community College representatives will consult whenever changes in policy or curricula are articulated which will affect students transferring under the terms of this Agreement. In addition, both institutions shall review this agreement annually and make any mutual alterations when necessary. Representatives from both institutions shall also facilitate support, consultation, and collaboration between their faculties in matters related to this Agreement, general education, degree requirements, education certification, and other academic matters.

## Appendix A

### The College of Humanities and Social Sciences at William Paterson University – Bachelor of Arts in Psychology

And

### Mercer County Community College-Associate in Arts in Liberal Arts

#### *Accepted Major Courses from Mercer County Community College*

<b>PSY 1100</b> General Psychology	<b>PSY 101</b> Introduction to Psychology
<b>PSY 2100</b> Developmental Psychology	<b>PSY 207</b> Developmental Psychology
<b>PSY 2200</b> Social Psychology	<b>PSY 204</b> Social Psychology
<b>PSY 3110</b> Psychology of Women	<b>PSY 221</b> Psychology of Women
<b>PSY 3510</b> Abnormal Psychology	<b>PSY 210</b> Abnormal Psychology
<b>CISE 2950</b> Educational Psychology	<b>PSY 201</b> Educational Psychology

*\* Under the statewide transfer agreement, WPU will accept up to 70 credits.*

It is expected that students entering the psychology program at William Paterson will at least have taken a course in general psychology, but it is preferable that students also have a course in developmental psychology.

#### **Note:**


1. PSY 1100/ PSY 101 is the pre-requisite for all other Psychology courses.
2. Students are advised to take MCCC's BIO 106 as part of their associate degree.


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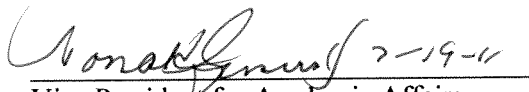
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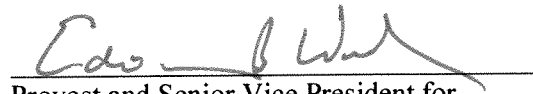
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