Holyoke Community College and Cambridge College Articulation Agreement

Associate of Arts & Science Degrees to Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science Degrees

Holyoke Community College (HCC) and Cambridge College agree to the following terms for the transfer of students from HCC beginning with the academic year 2016-2017 and continuing until such time as this agreement is terminated by Cambridge College or by HCC.

- I. Cambridge College agrees that students who earn the associate of arts or associate of science degree (AA, AS) from HCC under the terms and conditions of completion of HCC's degree requirements and who meet Cambridge College's admission standards are eligible to apply and may expect the following if admitted:
- A. In accordance with the Massachusetts Department of Higher Education's Mass Transfer Credit program, Cambridge College agrees to accept Holyoke Community College's Associates degrees in their entirety at 60—69 semester hours, including only the courses actually required for the degree, provided those degrees are completed at a GPA of 2.0 or higher.

Students who have completed the HCC's General Education Core requirements shall be considered to have fulfilled most if not all of the lower-division general education requirements of Cambridge College. All successfully completed courses, including college-level writing and mathematics courses, will distribute according to their Cambridge College course equivalents.

- B. Credits earned through examination (AP, CLEP, DANTES, and ACE that were awarded credit at HCC will be treated on an equal basis as other credits earned at HCC. Credits earned through locally developed credit-by-exams will not transfer.
- II. Cambridge College agrees that students who have attended HCC without completing the degree requirements for an associate in arts or associate in science (AA&S) but who otherwise meet Cambridge College's admission standards are eligible to apply and may expect the following if admitted:
- A. A student who has completed the General Education Core requirements with the proper distribution of hours as outlined in the HCC's General Education Core, but who has not completed an associate degree, shall be considered to have fulfilled most if not all of the lower-division, institution-wide general education requirements of Cambridge College. To be eligible for inclusion in this policy, the student must have an overall grade point average of 2.0 and an earned grade of "C" or better on all general education core courses
- B. A student who has completed any part of the General Education Core shall receive transfer

credit for those general education courses that have been satisfactorily completed with a grade of "C" or better.

- C. Those HCC courses completed outside of the general education block at a "C" or better are eligible for transfer provided they meet program distribution requirements at Cambridge College
- III. Both institutions agree and understand that specific academic offerings, institutional policies, procedures, tuition and fees will apply and are subject to change. Neither institution can offer any program in perpetuity, so specific future offerings cannot be guaranteed. Both institutions are equal opportunity institutions and shall not discriminate unlawfully against any student, applicant or employee and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, national origin, color, ancestry, disability, age, marital status or gender. The parties agree to review this agreement periodically and maintain good communications to facilitate the ability for students to pursue a seamless educational degree program between the party institutions. Either party may terminate this agreement at any time with written notice to the other party.

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