

**GUARANTEED TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
MIAMI DADE COLLEGE
AND
MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY**

I. Parties

This Guaranteed Transfer Articulation Agreement (“Agreement”) is made by and between The District Board of Trustees of Miami Dade College, Florida, (“MDC”), located at 300 N.E. 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132, and Marymount University (“MU”), located at 2807 North Glebe Road, Arlington, Virginia 22207-4299. Collectively, both MDC and MU shall be referred to as the “Parties.”

II. Purpose

The purpose of this Agreement is to lay the foundation for a partnership designed to facilitate the seamless transfer of Miami Dade College students to Marymount University as articulated in this Guaranteed Transfer Articulation Agreement program (“GTAA”). The Agreement stipulates the criteria under which MDC graduates are guaranteed admission to MU and describes curricular benefits between MDC and MU.

MDC students who do not meet the terms of this Agreement may still apply and will be considered for transfer admission to MU, but admission is not guaranteed. Students who do not meet the criteria below are encouraged to apply to MU as part of our standard admissions process.

III. Provisions

A. Acceptance and Application of Credits

1. GTAA applications are considered for students who earn the Associate of Arts (AA) degree at MDC.

MDC GTAA applicants must meet the following requirements:

- complete the AA degree prior to transfer
- earn the most recent 30 academic credits at MDC
- present a cumulative GPA of at least 2.75 on 4.0 scale

Guaranteed admission may be not available to students with felony convictions or patterned disruptive behavior. This Agreement is for admission to MU, and does not imply admission to a particular MU program. MU will maintain a list of programs with additional admission policies that can be accessed through the MU Transfer Web page

<https://www.marymount.edu/Admissions/Transfer-Students>.

2. MDC graduates with the AA degree have the opportunity to complete all MU lower-division Liberal Arts Core (LAC) requirements while at MDC, with the exception of TRS 100 Theological Inquiry, by following the approved Transfer Pathway provided by MU included in Attachment A, attached

hereto and made a part hereof. Any future changes to the AA degree Transfer Pathway will be subject to review by the department chair/program director(s) and the LAC director.

3. MDC students who transfer with an AA degree and are admitted to MU shall enter with junior standing equal to that of a native student without having to duplicate coursework successfully completed at MDC.
4. MDC AA graduates might be required to take additional courses depending on MU program requirements.
5. MDC AA graduates who transfer at least 60 credits to MU will be waived from the DSC 201 Transfer Student Experience Seminar university requirement.
6. MU counts a maximum of 64 credit hours from an associate degree program towards graduation. If an MDC graduate also has completed upper division coursework, then no more than a total of 84 credit hours will be accepted at MU.
7. Only coursework in which grades of C or higher have been earned at MDC may be applied toward the requirements of the partner program at MU.
8. MU will accept up to 30 credits for prior learning such as Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, Cambridge, and CLEP as listed on the MU website for the year in which a student seeks admission. These 30 credits are counted toward the maximum of 84 transfer credits for an MU degree. An official score report from the issuing organization (such as College Board) must be submitted. MU also will evaluate courses/credits earned at other institutions. No distinction will be made by MU regarding college courses applicable to the transfer-oriented associate degrees that are taken through dual enrollment/credit arrangements with high schools.
9. MU will maintain course equivalency information on its transfer student web page. Courses will be reviewed for accuracy every three (3) years. Each institution will alert the other to proposed changes in course equivalency and program requirements at least one (1) year before such changes are implemented.
10. No fewer than 36 credits must be earned at MU to be eligible for graduation. Credits transferred from study abroad programs, with the exception of credits earned through MU-sponsored programs, will not be counted toward MU's 36-credit minimum residency requirement. No fewer than 60 credits must be earned at MU to be eligible for graduation honors.

B. Admissions Practices

1. MU will accept applications from graduates who wish to transfer from MDC into any baccalaureate degree program, offered on ground or online. The application fee will be waived.

2. Graduates transferring from MDC to specific MU programs at the junior level must meet the same prerequisites, grade point average (GPA) and other admission criteria as other native or transfer students applying for entry to MU programs.
3. MU will consider and average cumulative GPAs from all institutions attended. Only courses completed will be used in the calculation of a GPA average for admission purposes; however, attempts must be considered for aid purposes. Trends in academic performance will be considered.
4. MDC AA graduates who complete the MDC Honors Core Curriculum and are interested in applying to the MU Honors program should refer to the separate Honors Transfer Admissions Memorandum of Understanding.
5. MDC graduates admitted under this Agreement who transfer in at least 60 credits will be considered juniors for purposes of scholarship eligibility, housing, and priority registration. Students who complete an MDC associate degree while still in high school will be considered first-years for purposes of scholarship eligibility and housing.
6. MDC graduates must transfer to MU within four (4) years of AA degree completion.
7. To be eligible for admission to MU, MDC graduates must meet the current requirements for legal status and any other non-academic requirements stated in the MU catalog.
8. MU will award all GTAA transfers a \$3,000 Miami Dade College grant. Additional merit awards are also available: <https://www.marymount.edu/Admissions/Financial-Aid/Types-of-Aid/Transfer-Students>.

A scholarship application is not required. MDC transfer students will be considered based on their application for admission. Additional scholarships will be awarded as long as funds are available. Students who complete an MDC associate degree while still in high school will be considered as first-years for scholarship purposes and are not eligible for this particular MDC transfer award.

IV. Collaboration and Coordination

- A. During the term of this Agreement, MDC will promote MU as a transfer partner on their website.
- B. During the term of this Agreement, MU will provide MDC reports of enrolled MDC transfer students, their majors and academic performance when 10 or more are enrolled in any given year. MDC agrees to use the transfer data to improve student preparation for transfer and to report to MU its intended improvements.

V. Term, Termination, and Other Provisions

- A. This Agreement is made effective on the date that both Parties have fully executed the Agreement. The term of this Agreement shall be for three (3) years, and may be extended for two (2) additional three-year terms if mutually agreed by the Parties after review of the Agreement, as indicated in section V(E).

- B.** Either party may send written notice of terminating the Agreement a minimum of one hundred and eighty (180) days prior to the effective date of the termination. Notices shall be in writing and sent to the following:

MDC	MU
Julie Alexander, Ed.D. Vice Provost for Academic Affairs Miami Dade College 300 N.E. 2 nd Avenue Miami, FL 33132	Professor Bridget Murphy Associate Provost Marymount University 2807 North Glebe Road Arlington, VA 22207
With a copy to: Javier A. Ley-Soto, Esq. College Legal Counsel Miami Dade College Office of Legal Affairs 300 N.E. 2 nd Avenue, Room 1453 Miami, FL 33132	

Either party may be given notice as aforesaid and may change its addresses for all subsequent notices by written notice to the other party. Except as expressly provided in this Agreement to the contrary, notices given as provided above shall be deemed given when delivered (with refusal of delivery constituting delivery for such purpose).

- C.** If this Agreement is terminated by either party, such termination will not affect GTAA students enrolled or admitted prior to the effective date of the termination.
- D.** Any modification to this Agreement must be made in writing and signed by both Parties.
- E.** The Agreement will be reviewed by MU and MDC a minimum of six (6) months prior to the expiration of the term of the Agreement, or the extended term thereof. Each institution will designate an individual to monitor this Agreement and to coordinate meetings designed to maintain inter-institutional articulation. In addition, MU's department chairs/program directors and LAC director will review transfer course equivalencies for MU. The approved Transfer Pathway may be amended by mutual agreement between MU and MDC without need to restate this entire Agreement. Curriculum pathway amendments become effective not sooner than one (1) year after mutual written agreement of the Parties to revise the curriculum pathway is reached.
- F.** Incoming GTAA students who have deposited and requested housing at MU by April 15 are guaranteed residence hall space for the fall and November 1 for spring.
- G.** GTAA students must adhere to the MU admission and deposit deadlines.


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This Guaranteed Transfer Articulation Agreement between The District Board of Trustees of Miami Dade College, Florida, and Marymount University was executed by the duly authorized representatives of the Parties on this 25th day of April, 2019.


Authorized Signatures

Marymount University

**THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MIAMI DADE COLLEGE, FLORIDA**




Dr. Irma Becerra, Ph.D. 4/25/19
President Date
Marymount University



Lenore P. Rodicio, Ph.D. Date
Executive Vice President and Provost

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:



Javier A. Ley-Soto, Esq. 4-5-19
College Legal Counsel Date



Attachment A
Approved Transfer Pathway
Miami Dade College
Associate in Arts
to Marymount University



Year One – MDC

Fall Semester	Cr
ENC 1101 English Composition 1 ^{WR}	3
Oral Communications Course	3
MAC 2311 OR MGF 1106 OR MGF 1107 OR STA 2023 ^{MT}	3-5
First Year Experience Seminar	1-3
Major Course	3
Total Credits	13-17

Spring Semester	Cr
ENC 1102 English Composition 2 ^{WR}	3
Natural Science Course with Lab ^{NS}	4
Mathematics Course ^{MT}	3-5
PHI 2010 Introduction to Philosophy ^{PH-1}	3
Major Course	3
Total Credits	16-18

Year Two – MDC

Fall Semester	Cr
Literature 2000 Introduction to Literature ^{LT-1}	3
PSY 2012 Intro to Psychology or SYG 2000 Introduction to Sociology ^{SS-1}	3
AMH 2010 or AMH 2020 History of the US ^{HI-1}	3
Major Course	3
Major Course	3
Total Credits	15

Spring Semester	Cr
ECO 2013 Principles of Economics or POS 2041 American Federal Government ^{SS-1}	3
Natural Science Course ^{NS}	3
Foreign Language Course	3
Major Course	3
Major Course	3
Total Credits	15

Year Three – Marymount University

Fall Semester	Cr
TRS 100 Theological Inquiry ^{TRS-1}	3
Philosophy-2 or Philosophy-E ^{PH-2/E}	3
History-2, Literature-2, or Fine Arts ^{HI-2, LT-2, FNA}	3
Major Course	3
Major Course	3
Total Credits	15

Spring Semester	Cr
TRS-2 or TRS-E ^{TRS-2/E}	3
Social Science-2 ^{SS-2}	3
History-2, Literature-2, or Fine Arts ^{HI-2, LT-2, FNA}	3
Major Course	3
Major Course	3
Total Credits	15

Year Four – Marymount University

Fall Semester	Cr
Major Course	3
Major Course	3
Major Course	3
MU elective	3
MU elective	3
Total Credits	15

Spring Semester	Cr
Internship	3-6
Major Course	3
Major Course	3
MU elective	3
Total Credits	12-15

FNA = Fine arts HI-1 = Introductory history HI-2 = Advanced history LT-1 = Introductory literature LT-2 = Advanced literature	MT = Math NS = Natural Science PH-1 = Introductory philosophy PH-2/E = Advanced philosophy or ethics SS-1 = Introductory social science	SS-2 = Advance social science TRS-1 = Introductory theology or religious studies TRS-2/E = Advanced theology, religious studies, or ethics WR = Writing requirement
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