



Articulation Agreement

Between

William James College

And

Greenfield Community College

WHEREAS this guaranteed admission articulation agreement is designed to coordinate transfer policies, enhance advising, and promote the acceptance of the programmatic transfer of courses/credits between William James College (WJC) and Greenfield Community College (GCC) and encourage completion of the Bachelor of Science Degree.

Given the commitment to diversity and the mission of the two institutions, it is only fitting that **WJC** and **GCC** form a guaranteed admission articulation agreement. Both institutions are regionally accredited by the New England Commission for Higher Education (NECHE) with long-standing histories in higher education. This agreement will make opportunities for learning accessible to a wider student population in the surrounding communities.

William James College Mission Statement

William James College strives to be a preeminent school of psychology that integrates rigorous academic instruction with extensive field education and close attention to professional development. We assume an ongoing social responsibility to create programs to educate specialists of many disciplines to meet the evolving mental health needs of society.

Core Values

Experiential Education

Integrate rigorous academic instruction with substantial clinical experience.

Social Responsibility

Educate providers to meet a diverse society's evolving mental health needs including cultural competence and language training. Develop programs and partnerships to ensure access to mental health care for all persons.

Personal Growth

Foster a supportive, challenging and available learning environment that pays careful attention to personal and professional development.

Greenfield Community College Mission Statement:

Greenfield Community College aspires to be an agent for a more equitable, just, vibrant, and resilient world through education.

Greenfield Community College provides high-quality education to all who seek the knowledge and skills necessary to thrive and effect positive change in their lives, communities, and the world. With excellence, innovation, and an unwavering commitment to teaching and learning together in an inclusive and caring environment, we empower all learners to reach their full potential.

Greenfield Community College endorses the core values of inclusion, transparency, creativity, integrity, innovation, and sustainability.

SUMMARY STATEMENT

William James College requires all transfer candidates to provide evidence of completing a minimum of 22 general education courses covering the following domains:

Minimum: 3 credits Natural/Physical Science

Minimum: 1 credit for a Natural/Physical Science Lab

Minimum: 3 credits Humanities/Arts

Minimum: 3 credits Mathematics

Minimum: 3 credits Social Sciences

Minimum: 6 credits English Composition/Writing

Minimum: 3 credits Humanities/Social Sciences/Natural or Physical Science/or Mathematics

This agreement will provide a guaranteed admission arrangement for students from GCC to obtain a Bachelor of Science Degree from WJC. Students who have completed an associate degree (minimum of 60 credits) from GCC in Human Services, Behavioral Health, or a related professional field with a **2.5 cumulative GPA** or higher, will be guaranteed admission in the Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Human Services program.

Students with 60 credits and a GPA lower than a 2.5 cumulative average are still encouraged to apply but are not guaranteed admission.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Administrative Matters

At least one academic administrator or faculty member from each institution will be appointed to act as liaisons for the implementation of this agreement, to serve as primary contact persons, and to communicate any changes to this agreement to the respective faculty members, advisors, admissions counselors, and others. Responsibility for oversight of this agreement rests with the Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs (or designee) at WJC and the Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs (or designee) at GCC. Both parties agree to communicate annually regarding any changes in their respective programs that may affect this agreement.

WJC and GCC agree to collaborate in the areas of publicity, marketing, recruitment, curriculum, and transfer efforts as follows:

- All announcements, publicity, marketing, and recruitment activities by either institution relative to the articulation agreement will be done following a plan collaboratively developed and agreed to by both parties.
- Faculty and staff at both institutions will share information in this agreement with interested and qualified students, and both institutions will provide counseling and advising to current and prospective students.

Student Admissions and Enrollment Guidelines

GCC students who graduate with one of the following degrees: Associate in Arts Human Services/Liberal Arts option, Associate in Arts Liberal Arts/General, Associate in Arts Social Sciences; Liberal Arts option, and have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 are guaranteed admission into the Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Human Services program at William James College (WJC). Once admitted, students are subject to all other policies and procedures as outlined in the WJC undergraduate student handbook and the program handbook.

GCC graduates will be required to complete the required application form at WJC. There is no application fee or essay requirement.

WJC will accept and apply general education, open elective courses, and select content equivalent courses (60-72) from accredited associate degree programs (see Appendix A). Students must complete a minimum of twenty courses (60 credits) above the initial 60 credits required for an Associate's degree, for a total of (120) credits to obtain a Bachelor of Science degree from WJC. A minimum of 30 credits (10 courses) must be completed at WJC for students to obtain a degree from WJC.

Courses will transfer with a grade of C or better. Courses with a grade below a C will transfer at the discretion of the receiving institution.

Students may additionally transfer a maximum of four (4), three (3) credit additional content equivalent courses for a total of (12) credits beyond their 60 credits from an AS degree, thus only needing 48 credits at WJC to graduate. These credits will only be transferred if the student obtained a C or above and has a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above.

Advanced Placement (AP), College-Level Examination Program (CLEP), GCC Challenge Exams, and Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) credit completed and/or accepted by GCC will be honored at WJC. Students seeking credit for these courses must provide WJC with official transcripts and official score sheets from The College Board for validation.

Financial Aid and Scholarship Opportunities

Students with 60 or more credits, eligible to attend through this articulation agreement will be eligible to receive financial assistance through the Financial Aid Office at WJC. Students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the WJC New Student Application for Financial Aid to determine scholarship, grant, and loan eligibility.

Terms, Amendments, and Termination

This agreement shall continue for a period of three (3) years. Additional program approvals may be added to this agreement with the permission of both institutions. This agreement may be renewed with the mutual consent of the parties. This agreement may be terminated by either party for any reason upon written notice to the other with at least ninety (90) day notice prior to the effective date of termination or, if a violation of the agreement occurs, may be

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terminated upon written notice. This agreement is not assignable and may not be amended, revised, or modified, except in writing executed by all parties. If the agreement is terminated for any reason prior to the end of the effective period, GCC students who were accepted into or enrolled in the articulated program prior to the termination of this agreement will be able to complete the degree program.

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