



**WILLIAM JAMES  
COLLEGE**



**NORTH SHORE  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

## **Articulation Agreement**

**between**

**William James College**

**and**

**North Shore 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 **North Shore Community College (NSCC)** 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 **NSCC** 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.

**North Shore Community College Mission Statement:**

North Shore Community College is a diverse, caring, inclusive community that inspires our students to become engaged citizens and to achieve their personal, academic, and career goals through accessible, affordable, rigorous educational opportunities that are aligned with our region's workforce needs and will prepare them for life in a changing world.

**Core Values**

The Faculty and Staff at North Shore Community College exemplify the highest academic and institutional integrity through our commitment to:

- **Access and Opportunity.**  
We provide access to quality higher education by offering clear and flexible pathways to academic success for the diverse populations we serve.
- **Respect and Inclusion.**  
We seek to create a respectful, welcoming, and appreciative learning environment in which each person and every group belongs, is accepted, has value, and actively contributes.
- **Educational Excellence and Innovation.**  
We embrace the highest standards in developing dynamic learning environments through excellent faculty and staff, academic freedom, innovative teaching methods, quality facilities, and engaging technologies.
- **Student Learning and Success.**  
We are devoted to maximizing our students ability to learn and achieve academic, personal, and professional success through appropriate support and services.
- **Purposeful Life and Global Citizenship.**  
We are dedicated to empowering students to become lifelong learners and engaged citizens, to understanding the global landscape, and to equipping them for transformative careers.
- **Social Responsibility and Justice.**  
We are committed to developing productive, collaborative relationships within the college and among our various constituencies so that we may serve to improve the quality of lives in the North Shore communities.
- **Sustainability and Resourcefulness.**  
We uphold our heritage for tenacity, sustainability, responsible stewardship and equitable distribution of our resources.

**SUMMARY STATEMENT**

William James College requires all transfer candidates to provide evidence of completing a minimum of 22 general education credits 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 NSCC to obtain a Bachelor of Science Degree from WJC. Students who have completed an associate degree (minimum of 60 credits) from NSCC in **any major**, with a **2.5 cumulative GPA** or higher, will be guaranteed admission in the Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Human Services program. All credits awarded at NSCC up to and including the 61 credits required for the Liberal Arts Transfer degree, will transfer in full to WJC, providing a C- grade or higher is earned in the course.

Students with 60 credits or above 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 Affairs (or designee) at WJC and the Provost (or designee) at NSCC. Both parties agree to communicate annually regarding any changes in their respective programs that may affect this agreement.

WJC and NSCC 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**

NSCC students who graduate with either an Associate in Science or an Associate in Arts degree, who have completed the 22 credits of general education noted in the summary statement above, with grades of C or better, and who 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.

NSCC 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 (Total of 60-78 credits) from accredited associate degree programs. 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. The transfer of all other non-traditional credits outside the Gen Ed Foundation will be honored at the discretion of the receiving institution.

Advanced Placement (AP), College-Level Examination Program (CLEP), NSCC Challenge Exams, and Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) credit completed and/or accepted by NSCC 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.

WJC participates in the Yellow Ribbon Program and the post 9/11 G. L Bill. Veterans utilizing this agreement are encouraged to meet with admissions staff at WJC for more information.

#### **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 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, NSCC 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.

North Shore Community College



**William A. Heineman, Ed.D.**  
President



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Provost

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William James College



**6.23.2023**



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**Nicolas A. Covino, PsyD** Date:  
President

**Stacey Lambert, PsyD** Date:  
Vice President for Academic Affairs

APPENDIX A:

Sample Course Transfer Map for AS at NSCC to BS in Psychology and Human Services at WJC.

**General Education Transfer (22 credits)**

William James College	Credits	North Shore CC	Credits
English Composition 1	3	CMP101 Composition I	3
English Composition 2	3	CMP102 – 150 Composition 2 Elective	3
Science with a Lab	4	Science Elective	4
Mathematics	3	Mathematics Elective	3
Humanities	3	Humanities Elective	3
Social Science	3	Social Science Elective	3
Humanities, Social Science, Science or Mathematics General Education Elective	3	Liberal Arts Elective	3

**Open Elective Transfer (38 credits)**

Any additional courses completed at NSCC with a grade of C- or higher will be transferred to WJC as open electives to a maximum of 38 credits.

**Course to Course Transfer (Maximum of 18 credits)**

The following courses will transfer as Course-to-Course credits at WJC. Students who fill the 38 credit maximum for open elective transfer credits *in addition to* these credits will hold advanced standing at WJC and will be required to earn less than 60 credits at WJC. Students who do not meet the 38 credit maximum for Open Elective Transfer will replace a course-to-course required course with open electives at WJC.

William James College	Credits	North Shore CC	Credits
BSPY220. Cross Cultural Human Development	3	PSY204 Human Growth and Development	3
BSPY230 Introduction to Psychopathology	3	PSY210 Abnormal Psychology	3
BSHS241. Fundamental Interventions in Human Services	3	HUS Helping Skills in Human Services	3

BSHS235. Autism and Developmental Disabilities	3	DVD101 Introduction to Developmental Disabilities	
BSHS231. Substance Use and Addictive Behavior	3	DRG101 Substance Abuse and Society	
BSPY330. Introduction to Group and Family Work	3	DRG202 Substance Abuse Counseling for Groups and Families	