

Articulation Agreement

The Prince George's Community College
General Studies A.A. with Area Concentration in Chemistry
AND
The St. Mary's College of Maryland (SMCM)
Biochemistry

PREFACE

St. Mary's College of Maryland (SMCM) welcomes students from Prince George's Community College into our community of learners. This Articulation Agreement is designed to facilitate Prince George's Community College students' ease of transfer from the General Studies A.A. with Area Concentration in Chemistry program(s) at Prince George's Community College to the SMCM Biochemistry program. This Agreement augments any Guaranteed and Dual Admission agreements signed between Prince George's Community College and SMCM.

Under this Agreement, Prince George's Community College students graduating with an Associate of Arts (A.A.) in General Studies A.A. with Area Concentration in Chemistry will be eligible for admission into SMCM Biochemistry program, provided that students:

1. Submit the SMCM Application for Admission at least six months prior to the start of the semester they wish to transfer to St. Mary's College of Maryland.
2. Complete the required courses as described in the Appendix A of this agreement.
3. Satisfy all other SMCM admissions requirements, which are available on the College website at <http://www.smcm.edu> or by contacting an admissions counselor at St. Mary's College of Maryland.
4. Graduate from Prince George's Community College with a minimum cumulative grade-point average (GPA) of 2.
5. Recognize that grades of "C-" or better will transfer and will be transcribed as transfer credits or "TR" on the SMCM transcript. Per Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR), grades of D will transfer although may not be used for major/minor requirements.
6. Understand that there is no residential living requirement for incoming students, though transfer students may request on-campus housing if they wish.
7. Understand that SMCM will accept up to 70 transferable credits.
8. Understand that students with at least 56 transferable credits will enter with Junior status.
9. Submit Prince George's Community College transcripts along with transcripts from any other colleges they may have attended prior to attending Prince George's Community College.

SMCM welcomes International Students to apply to the College. Additional admission materials will include the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and WES transcript evaluations if applicable. Please check the College website at <http://www.smcm.edu> for details.

This Agreement is also available to part-time students.

ALTERNATIVES TO THIS AGREEMENT

Students interested in Dual Admission to SMCM are encouraged to consult with an academic adviser at Prince George's Community College and the Office of Admissions at SMCM to assist in choosing courses to promote timely graduation from SMCM. Transcripts will be evaluated on a preliminary basis by the SMCM Admissions Office prior to application upon request.

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OBLIGATIONS OF ST. MARY'S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND

To facilitate the transfer of Prince George's Community College graduates to the SMCM Biochemistry program in accordance with the foregoing, SMCM agrees to the following:

1. To attend regularly scheduled transfer programs at Prince George's Community College.
2. To invite Prince George's Community College students to information/advising meetings with SMCM faculty and staff on a regular basis at both Prince George's Community College and SMCM in order to facilitate smooth curricular and co-curricular integration to St. Mary's College of Maryland.
3. To send SMCM letters of admission to all Prince George's Community College students who meet the conditions set forth herein. It is recommended that students confirm their intention to matriculate at SMCM by June 1st for the fall semester, or by December 1st for the spring semester and satisfy all other regular SMCM admissions requirements.
4. Those students entering fulltime study at SMCM are eligible to be awarded academic scholarships and/or grants per established guidelines at the time of enrollment.

Scholarships are renewable on an annual basis and students must meet with a Financial Aid advisor for additional information. SMCM offers a variety of scholarships and grant awards. These opportunities include merit-based and need-based aid and grants. Sources of these awards include SMCM, private donors, as well as federal and state programs.

5. To ensure that incoming students will be provided with SMCM financial aid information and receive full consideration for SMCM financial aid, in addition to appropriate scholarships and grants listed above, upon matriculation at St. Mary's College of Maryland.
6. To ensure that Prince George's Community College graduates entering SMCM under the terms of this Agreement go through SMCM's normal transfer admissions process, including meeting all applicable SMCM requirements and deadlines pertaining to application for admission, orientation and registration, and payment of tuition and fees. They will abide by the policies and procedures, and any revisions thereof that apply to all SMCM students. Incoming matriculated students will have all the rights and privileges of other SMCM students.
7. To periodically invite Prince George's Community College students to SMCM events.

OBLIGATION OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Prince George's Community College agrees to publicize this agreement to prospective and current Prince George's Community College students in its promotional literature, and make special arrangements for SMCM recruiters and advisors to visit Prince George's Community College to meet with prospective and current Biochemistry students.

JOINT OBLIGATIONS

1. To inform each other through appropriate channels prior to implementing major changes in policy or curricula that directly affect students transferring under the terms of this Agreement, and keep each other informed of any changes of policy or curricula that affect those students. Both SMCM and Prince George's Community College will review this Articulation Agreement on a regular basis and make any changes upon mutual agreement, as needed. Such changes will be effective when both Prince George's Community College and SMCM sign the revised document.
2. Students are required to graduate from Prince George's Community College with a minimum GPA of 2.0. Transferrable courses with grades of D or better will be brought into SMCM as transfer credits. A minimum grade of C or better is required in courses counting toward Biochemistry.

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3. To collaborate in providing students with information and academic advising both from SMCM and Prince George's Community College. SMCM will make available contact information for questions about St. Mary's College of Maryland's academic requirements, Core Curriculum requirements, degree requirements, and the process of transferring to SMCM.
4. To jointly agree to develop and implement advertising and promotional efforts to communicate the benefits of this Articulation Agreement.
5. To designate a representative or representatives who will coordinate this Articulation Agreement between the two institutions.
6. To exchange data and documents on a regular basis that will contribute to the maintenance and improvement of the arrangement, enhance the transfer process, and promote effective cooperation between institutions. These will consist of data about individual transfer students, including admissions information and grades, and reports on the results of program reviews, assessments of students' learning, and decisions of curricula and other committees.
7. This Agreement may be updated (by means of addenda), upon mutual agreement by appropriate officials of the two institutions, to allow for additional curriculum articulation sheets accommodating course equivalencies for specific major(s)/minor(s)/certificate program(s). This Agreement sets forth the entire understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior understandings, memos, writings or agreements of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. Any waiver by a party of any of its rights or of the other party's obligations must be in writing.
8. To provide, when available, direct links between the SMCM and Prince George's Community College websites when applicable.



REVISIONS, RENEWAL, AND TERMINATION OF THIS AGREEMENT

The SMCM Provost and Dean of Faculty and the appropriate officers at Prince George's Community College are responsible for identifying and communicating to each other changes in the policies or requirements of their respective institutions that affect this Articulation Agreement.

This Articulation Agreement will be in effect, as of the date of its signing, for students entering SMCM fall semester 2019 or after. It will be reviewed on a regular basis by the appropriate parties at each institution and will be renewed automatically until superseded by new Agreements or formally terminated. Either institution may terminate this Agreement at any time by written notice at least one year in advance of the effect date of termination. Should this Agreement be terminated, it is understood that the termination will not apply to students already accepted to SMCM under the terms of this Agreement.

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The willingness of both institutions to enter this Articulation Agreement in order to facilitate the transfer of students from Prince George's Community College to St. Mary's College of Maryland, and to expand their opportunities for academic success there, is indicated by the following signatures. The undersigned representatives of the parties, Prince George's Community College and St. Mary's College of Maryland, have executed this Articulation Agreement on the dates indicated:

Prince George's Community College	St. Mary's College of Maryland
	
<p>9/4/19</p> <p>Date</p>	<p>7/17/2019</p> <p>Date</p>
<p>Clayton A. Railey Vice President and Provost</p>	<p>Michael R. Wick Provost and Dean of Faculty</p>

APPENDIX A

Prince George's Community College				St. Mary's College of Maryland				
Recommended Courses				St. Mary's College Course Equivalents				
Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	
BIO	2030	Genetics (with Laboratory)	4.00	BIOL	270	Genetics	4.00	
				BIOL	270L	Genetics Laboratory	1.00	
TOTAL RECOMMENDED CREDITS			4.00	TOTAL GRANTED CREDITS FROM RECOMMENDED COURSES				5.00
Required Courses				St. Mary's College Course Equivalents				
Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	
CHM	1010	General Chemistry I (with Laboratory)	4.00	CHEM	103	General Chemistry I	4.00	
CHM	1020	General Chemistry II	3.00	CHEM	106	General Chemistry II	4.00	
CHM	1030	General Chemistry II Laboratory	2.00	CHEM	106L	General Chemistry II Laboratory	0.00	
CHM	2010	Organic Chemistry I (with Laboratory)	4.00	CHEM	311	Organic Chemistry I	4.00	
CHM	2020	Organic Chemistry II	3.00	CHEM	311L	Organic Chemistry I Laboratory	0.00	
CHM	2030	Organic Chemistry II Laboratory	2.00	CHEM	312	Organic Chemistry II	4.00	
				CHEM	312L	Organic Chemistry II Laboratory	0.00	
MAT	2410	Calculus I	4.00	BIOL	105L	Principles of Biology I Laboratory	0.00	
MAT	2420	Calculus II	4.00	MATH	151	Calculus I	4.00	
PHY	1030	General Physics I (with Laboratory)	4.00	MATH	152	Calculus II	4.00	
				PHYS	141	General Physics I	4.00	
PHY	2030	General Physics II (with Laboratory)	4.00	PHYS	141L	General Physics I Laboratory	0.00	
TOTAL ELECTIVE CREDITS			38.00	PHYS	142	General Physics II	4.00	
GRAND TOTAL CREDITS			42	PHYS	142L	General Physics II Laboratory	0.00	
TOTAL GRANTED ELECTIVE CREDITS			36.00	TOTAL GRANTED ELECTIVE CREDITS				36.00
GRAND TOTAL CREDITS			42	GRAND TOTAL GRANTED CREDITS				41
Remaining Degree Requirements at St. Mary's College of Maryland and Advising Sheet				St. Mary's College of Maryland and Advising Sheet				
First Fall Semester at St. Mary's College				First Spring Semester at St. Mary's College				
Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	
CHEM	420	Biochemistry I	4.00	CHEM	425	Biochemistry II	4.00	
CHEM	420L	Biochemistry I Laboratory	0.00					
BIOL	270	Genetics (if not taken previously)	4.00					
BIOL	270L	Genetics Laboratory (if not taken previously)	1.00					

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Second Fall Semester at St. Mary's College				Second Spring Semester at St. Mary's College			
Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	Prefix	Number	Title	Credits
CHEM	451	Physical Chemistry I	4.00	BIOL	470	Molecular Biology	4.00
CHEM	451L	Physical Chemistry I Laboratory	0.00	BIOL	470L	Molecular Biology Laboratory	0.00
CHEM	493	St. Mary's Project I	4.00	CHEM	494	St. Mary's Project II	4.00
First Summer at St. Mary's College (if needed for timely graduation)				Second Summer at St. Mary's College (if needed for timely graduation)			
Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	Prefix	Number	Title	Credits
Additional Requirements							
CHM 1010, CHM 1020, and CHM 1030 must have a minimum transfer grade of a C level.							
Please note that CHM 2010, CHM 2020 and, CHM 2030 will transfer in at the 200 level, not 300 level.							
NOTE: Completion of the A.A. or A.S. Degree satisfies the foreign language requirement and the six categories of the <i>Liberal Arts Approaches to Understanding the World</i> requirement. Completion of CORE 301 and CORE 350 (or equivalent) are requirements of attending St. Mary's College of Maryland.							