

**ACADEMIC PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
Montgomery College and the University of Maryland, College Park  
REGARDING TRANSFER from the associate of arts in arts and sciences: international  
studies area of concentration at Montgomery College to the bachelor of arts in global  
culture and thought at the University of Maryland, College Park**

This Academic Program Articulation Agreement (“Agreement”) is entered into by and between Montgomery College (the “Sending Institution”) and University of Maryland, College Park (the “Receiving Institution”) (collectively, the “Institutions”) to facilitate the transfer of academic credits from the associate of arts in arts and sciences: international studies area of concentration (HEGIS: 491001; CIP: 24.0101) at Montgomery College for the completion of the bachelor of arts in global culture and thought (HEGIS: 119900; CIP: 09.0907) at the University of Maryland, College Park (the “Program(s)").

**A. Qualifying Students**

This Agreement pertains to the transfer of “Qualifying Students”, *i.e.*, those students who:

1. Have successfully completed the program at the Sending Institution;
2. Are enrolled in the Sending Institution, in good standing; and
3. Are accepted for admission to the Receiving Institution

**B. Responsibilities of the Institutions**

The Institutions agree to implement the transfer of Qualifying Students in accordance with applicable law and the following requirements and protocols:

1. A Qualifying Student may transfer from the Sending Institution into the Receiving Institution for the completion of the Program.
2. The following information indicates the Courses that the Receiving School will accept credits for towards completion of the Program:

 <b>MONTGOMERY COLLEGE</b> A.A. in Arts and Sciences – International Studies area of concentration		 <b>B.A. in Global Culture and Thought</b>	
Credits Earned at MC	MONTGOMERY COLLEGE Requirements for Associate's Degree	How Course will Transfer to UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND	Credits Transferred to UMD
3	ENGL 101 Introduction to College Writing*	Transfers as 3 degree credits toward the total required for the UMD degree (the course has no exact UMD equivalent)^^^	3
3	MATH117 Elements of Statistics† (MATF)	STAT100	3
3	POLI101 American Government (BSSD)	GVPT170	3
3	HIST114 or HIST116 or HIST117 (HUMD)	See UMD note**	3
3	World Language (e.g., SPAN103)^	See UMD note* (MC example course SPAN103 would transfer as UMD SPAN103)	3
3	ENGL102 Critical Reading, Writing and Research (ENGF)	ENGL101	3
3	ECON 202 or GEOG130 (BSSD)	ECON200 or GEOG110	3
3	POLI203 International Relations	GVPT200	3
3	World Language (e.g., SPAN201)^	See UMD note* (MC example course SPAN201 would transfer as SPAN203)	3
3	Arts Distribution (ARTD) (e.g., ARTT100)	See UMD note*** (MC example course ARTT100 would transfer as UMD ARTT110)	3
3	ECON201 Principles of Economics I	ECON201	3
3	World Language (e.g., SPAN202)^	See UMD note* (MC example course SPAN202 would transfer as UMD SPAN204)	3
3	HIST245 OR HIST247 OR HIST250 OR HIST252 OR HIST266 (GEIR)	See UMD note+	3
3	POLI211 Comparative Politics and Government	GVPT280	3
3	Natural Sciences Distribution without Lab (NSND) (e.g., AOSC100)	See UMD note*** (MC example course AOSC100 would transfer as UMD AOSC200)	3
3	COMM 108 or COMM 112 (GEIR)	COMM107	3
4	Natural Sciences Distribution with Lab (NSLD) (e.g., BIOL101)	See UMD note*** (MC example course BIOL101 would transfer as UMD BSCI103)	4
3	World Language (e.g., SPAN215)^	See UMD note* (MC example course SPAN215 would transfer as UMD lower-level elective, but will count, along with other MC SPAN courses, toward 75% of the program's Language Study requirement)	3
3	POLI205 Introduction to Human Rights	Transfers as 3 degree credits toward the total required for the UMD degree (the course has no exact UMD equivalent)^^^	3

3	ENGL201 Introduction to World Literature I (see alternatives ±±)	See UMD note++ (MC example course ENGL201 would transfer as UMD ENGL201)	3
61	<b>TOTAL CREDITS TRANSFERRED</b>		
<b>REMAINING UMD DEGREE REQUIREMENTS - RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE UPON TRANSFER WITH ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE</b>			
	GLBC 350 Translation in a Global Context		3
	300 or 400-Level School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures (SLLC) Elective		3
	Professional Writing (FSPW)		3
	SPAN301 Advanced Grammar and Composition I (or equivalent level course in French)		3
	Elective		3
	SLLC Study Abroad 1xx-4xx		6
	Elective		3
	Elective		3
	300 or 400-Level Elective		3
	GLBC 360 Cultural Theory in a Global Age		3
	300 or 400-Level SLLC Elective		3
	Elective		2
	300 or 400-Level Elective		3
	300 or 400-Level Elective		3
	300 or 400-Level SLLC Elective		3
	300 or 400-Level SLLC Elective		3
	Elective		3
	300 or 400-Level Elective		3
	300 or 400-Level Elective		3
<b>TOTAL CREDITS REMAINING AT UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND</b>			<b>59</b>
<b>120 total credits will be required to complete the Bachelor of Arts in Global Culture and Thought</b>			

Suggested 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester
Suggested 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester
Suggested 3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester
Suggested 4 <sup>th</sup> Semester

\*If needed for ENGL102. If not, becomes Elective.

† MATH117 recommended, but MATH150 or MATH181 are also acceptable. If lower math placement is achieved, student should work towards completion of one of these courses through elective space.

±± ENGL122, ENGL202, ENGL205, ENGL208, ENGL213, ENGL214, ENGL248, GHUM101, HIST255, PHIL209

^ Students may satisfy the World Language requirements by completing either of the following two sequences:  
SPAN 103, SPAN201, SPAN202, and SPAN215  
FREN 101, FREN 102, FREN 201, and FREN 202

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND NOTES
<p>^^Courses listed as having “no exact UMD course equivalent” still transfer toward the total number of credits required for a University of Maryland bachelor’s degree. UMD degree requirements include major requirements, General Education requirements, and elective coursework totaling 120 credits for this program.</p> <p>* If students complete four approved World Language courses at Montgomery College (MC), they will have completed UMD’s College of Arts &amp; Humanities Global Engagement Requirement and 75% of the Global Culture and Thought major’s Language Study requirement. Students will complete the final 25% (one World Languages course) upon transfer to UMD.</p> <p>** HIST114, HIST116, and HIST117 do not have specific UMD course equivalencies, but each count as a 3-credit UMD General Education Distributive Studies Humanities requirement.</p> <p>*** MC students must select from approved MC General Education category course options; UMD equivalency may vary (consult UMD transfer credit database, <a href="https://registrar.umd.edu/transfer-credit/transfer-course-database">https://registrar.umd.edu/transfer-credit/transfer-course-database</a>), but will at minimum count toward the total required for the UMD degree.</p> <p>+ HIST245, HIST247, HIST252, and HIST266 are also approved for UMD GenEd Understanding Plural Societies (DVUP) requirement.</p> <p>++ ENGL201 and its alternatives (see MC note ±± above): UMD equivalency may vary (consult UMD transfer credit database, <a href="https://registrar.umd.edu/transfer-credit/transfer-course-database">https://registrar.umd.edu/transfer-credit/transfer-course-database</a>), but will at minimum count toward the total required for the UMD degree.</p>

\*Receiving Institution must indicate if course is applied to General Education, Program/Major requirements, or General Elective.

3. Students must have completed the associate of arts degree in order to have fulfilled the General Education requirements (other than Professional Writing) at UMD. Students who

do not complete the associate of arts degree will be responsible for University of Maryland, College Park General Education requirements.

4. No more than 70 credits earned at a 2-year institution shall be transferable to a bachelor's degree.
5. The Receiving Institution shall designate, and shall provide to the Sending Institution, the contact information for a staff person at the Receiving Institution who is responsible for the oversight of the transfer of Qualifying Students. The Sending Institution shall designate, and shall provide to the Receiving Institution, the contact information for a staff person at the Sending Institution who is responsible for the oversight of the transfer of Qualifying Students.

	Sending Institution	Receiving Institution
Name of staff person responsible for oversight	Angela Rhoe	Dr. Frederica Soddu
Title of staff person	Director of the Center for Transfer Success	Lecturer & Advisor for Global Culture and Thought Program
Email address	Angela.Rhoe@montgomerycollege.edu	fsoddu@umd.edu
Telephone Number	240-567-3217	301-405-6464

Should the staff person or position change, the institution will promptly provide new contact information to the partner institution and inform the Maryland Higher Education Commission of the change.

Additional contact information:

	Sending Institution	Receiving Institution
Name of person	Justin Edgar	Robert Crane
Title of person	Transfer and Articulation Program Manager	Director for Academic Advising, College of Arts and Humanities
Email address	Justin.Edgar@montgomerycollege.edu	rcrane@umd.edu
Telephone Number	240-567-9047	301-405-2108

6. If the Qualifying Student is using federal Title 38 VA Education Benefits (GI Bill® Education Benefits), the Institutions shall adhere to all applicable U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' regulations, including the regulations governing the awarding prior credit, as regulated under Title 38, Code of Federal Regulations, Sections 21.4253(d)(3) and 21.4254(c)(4).

7. Each Institution shall adhere to all applicable transfer requirements set forth in the Annotated Code of Maryland and the Code of Maryland Regulations.
8. Each Institution shall advise students regarding transfer opportunities under this Agreement, and shall advise students of financial aid opportunities and implications associated with the transfer.
9. Should either Institution make changes to program requirements, the institution will inform the partner institution immediately. The articulation agreement should be updated to reflect the changes and forwarded to the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

### **C. Term and Termination**

1. This agreement shall be effective on the date that it is signed by the appropriate and authorized representatives of each Institution.
2. One semester, or six months' notice, must be provided in writing should either party wish to terminate the agreement. Termination of the agreement will not impact students currently in the pathway and the institutions will work together to provide information for students currently using the pathway.
3. Both Institutions agree to meet once every 5 years to review the terms of this agreement.

### **D. Amendment**

1. This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding and agreement of the Institutions with respect to their rights and obligations in carrying out the terms of the Agreement, and supersedes any prior or contemporaneous agreements or understandings.
2. This Agreement may be modified only by written amendment executed by both Institutions.

### **E. Governing Law**

This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Maryland.

### **F. Counterparts**

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same agreement.

### **G. Notice of Agreement**

1. The Institutions agree to provide a copy of this Agreement, with any amendments, to the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

2. The Institutions agree to provide copies of this Agreement to all relevant individuals and departments of the Institutions, including but not limited to students, academic department chairs participating in the transfer, offices of the president, registrar's offices, and financial aid offices.

#### **H. No Third-Party Beneficiaries**

There are no third-party beneficiaries to this Agreement.

#### **I. Representations and Warranties of the Parties**

Both Institutions represent and warrant that the following shall be true and correct as of the Effective Date of this Agreement, and shall continue to be true and correct during the term of this Agreement:

1. The Institutions are and shall remain in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local statutes, laws, ordinances, and regulations relating to this Agreement, as amended from time to time.
2. Each Institution has taken all action necessary for the approval and execution of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives.

Montgomery College

University of Maryland, College Park

By: Jermaine F. Williams  
Jermaine F. Williams, Ed.D.  
President

By: Jennifer King Rice  
Jennifer King Rice  
Senior Vice President and Provost

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Date

3/20/2026  
Date