

# TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

## **Merrimack College**

Bachelor Completion Program

Bachelor of Science in Child, Family & Community Studies

**And**

## **Northern Essex Community College**

Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, and Human  
Services Administration

Merrimack College and Northern Essex Community College, in recognition of a valuable and barrier-free public to private academic experience, have created a Bachelor Completion Program between the Merrimack College School of Education and the Associate of Science in Education and Human Services programs at Northern Essex Community College.

**OBJECTIVES:**

1. To encourage the transfer of qualified students from Northern Essex Community College to Merrimack College.
2. To award academic credit for courses completed at Northern Essex Community College that meet the terms of the Education degree for application toward the requirements for the Bachelor Completion Program.
3. To provide effective and concise guidelines for students seeking to transfer to Merrimack College.

**TERMS OF THE TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT:**

1. Merrimack College guarantees, upon completion of all other admission requirements, the acceptance of students who completed the Associate in Science degree programs in Education and Human Services at Northern Essex Community College with an overall cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better to the Bachelor Completion program at Merrimack College.
2. Merrimack College guarantees the transfer of credit as stipulated in the attached Program of Study. This agreement assumes both the completion of the Associate Degree and completion of the courses listed on the attached Program of Study. A minimum of one hundred and twenty-four (124) credits must be completed to earn the Bachelor Degree within the Bachelor Degree Completion Program. Merrimack College will accept no more than seventy-five (75) credits in transfer from Northern Essex Community College. To receive a degree from Merrimack College, a student must fulfill the following residence requirements:
  - a. At least forty-eight (48) credits must be taken at Merrimack College;
  - b. At least half of the major credit requirements must be taken at Merrimack College;
  - c. At least twenty-four (24) of the last thirty-two (32) credits must be taken at Merrimack College and all credits in the final semester must be taken at Merrimack College. Students will not be permitted to take required courses necessary to complete the program they are enrolled in at Merrimack at an alternative institution during their last semester as students at Merrimack.
3. Northern Essex Community College transfer students will be subject to all education requirements of Merrimack College as set forth in the Merrimack College catalog. For those students who have not completed all of the general education requirements listed in the articulation agreement matrices, their applications will be reviewed and they may be accepted, upon a demonstrated understanding that the appropriate general education courses must be

completed to meet Merrimack graduation requirements. Please note that certain electives fulfill general education requirements and will be reviewed accordingly.

4. This Articulation Agreement is based upon the evaluation of course descriptions presented to Merrimack College. Courses as listed in this agreement will transfer in as Merrimack College courses provided a grade of "C" or better has been earned. If a grade lower than "C" is earned, elective credit will be given.
5. Northern Essex Community College students interested in participating in this agreement should be advised to take the suggested elective courses. These courses are required at Merrimack College and students are advised to complete them as part of their Associate Degree whenever possible.
6. Both Merrimack College and Northern Essex Community College agree to publicize this agreement and availability to their students and other stakeholders by posting the agreed upon transfer credit of courses on the respective school's website.
7. This agreement shall remain in effect for a period of three (3) years from the date listed below, with the provision that the terms specified herein will continue to apply to students admitted from the Northern Essex Community College Associate Degree program within one (1) year of the expiration of the agreement. Each institution agrees to provide timely notice to the other in the event of any modification to the curriculum that might affect the compatibility for admission and transfer of coursework. This agreement is subject to change by either institution. Students admitted to Northern Essex Community College's Associate degree programs in Education and Human Services prior to such notification shall be admitted to Merrimack College on the basis of this agreement.

**Approved on (date):** \_\_\_\_\_

## Signatures

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Associates Degree in Early Childhood Education into the  
Bachelor of Science in Child, Family & Community Studies**

Transfer students are able to major in the Child, Family and Community Studies academic programs at Merrimack College upon entry in conjunction with gaining an education co-major and/or licensure in a particular field. Below is the approved course-by-course transfer matrix.

Course-by-Course Transfer Matrix

<b>NECC - Early Childhood Education</b>		<b>Merrimack College</b>	
BIO101 Human Biology w/ BIO 102 Lab	4	HSC1106 Human Biology STEM	4
COM111 Public Speaking	3	COM1020 Public Communication	3
ECE101 Intro to Early Childhood Education	3	EDU2310 Intro to Early Childhood	3
ECE 111 Preschool Curriculum (3) & ECE 271 and 272 Practicum (8)	11	Education Elective	11
ECE 181 ECE Field Placement I	1	EDU2500 Pre-Practicum	1
ECE 182 ECE Field Placement II	1	EDU2510 Pre-Practicum	1
ECE201 Language & Reading Development	3	EDU4400 Language Acquisition & Literacy Development	3
ECE 202 Expressive Learning Activities in EC Curriculum	3	LIB0001	3
ECE203 Math & Science in EC Curriculum	3	EDU3360 Teaching Science, Health & Physical Education	3
ECE250 Seminar in Philosophy in ECE	3	EDU 0001 Open Elective	3
ENG101 English Comp I	3	ENG0001	3
ENG102 English Comp II	3	ENG1050/WRT 1050 (FYW)	3
EDU102 Introduction to Special Education	3	EDU4600 Curriculum Design & Adapt for Children w/ Special Needs	3
MAT 118 Mathematical Ideas I	3	MTH0001	3
MAT119 Mathematical Ideas II ?	3	MTH1400(MTH0001) Mathematics for Elementary Educators	3
PSY101 Intro to Psychology	3	PSY1000 Introduction to Psychology (SS)	3
SCI111 Physical Science	4	SCI1000 Investigations in Life & Physical Sciences	3
PSY203 Child Psych	3	EDU2210 Child and Adolescent Development	3
HIS101 US History I	3	HIS1106 History of American Civilization (H)	3
Humanities Elective: Strongly Recommended for graduation from Merrimack College <a href="#">PHI101 Intro to Philosophy</a>	3	PHI1000 Intro to Philosophy (PHL)	3
Humanities/Fine Art Elective	3	LIB0002	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>69</b>