

#### **Articulation Agreement**

#### Southern New Hampshire University and Northern Essex Community College

#### I. PURPOSE

Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) and Northern Essex Community College (NECC), in the spirit of academic cooperation, and in order to facilitate the transfer of graduates of NECC to SNHU, hereby do enter into an academic articulation agreement. Successful implementation of the Agreement is dependent upon communication of its content to all involved participants and the assumption of responsibility by both institutions for such communications.

The purpose of this Articulation Agreement is to acknowledge that, following completion of an associate's degree in the student's program of choice at Northern Essex Community College, students may transfer all the credits from the degree(s) outlined below to a Southern New Hampshire University bachelor's undergraduate degree program that coincides with their associate's degree so long as the following criteria are met.

This Articulation Agreement, made this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2013, by and between Southern New Hampshire University and Northern Essex Community College is as follows:

#### II. TRANSFER PATHWAY(S)

- 1. SNHU welcomes students who wish to transfer from NECC. To be eligible for all benefits of this agreement, the student must submit proof of having been awarded an associate's degree from Northern Essex Community College in the form of an official transcript from Northern Essex Community College.
- 2. Based on the course equivalency tables attached, SNHU guarantees transferability of all credits outlined in the following NECC associate's degrees to their corresponding SNHU bachelor's degrees:

#### AA Journalism/Communication to BA Communication

- 3. As SNHU and NECC are regionally accredited, all academic course work in which a student has earned a grade of "C-" or higher is fully transferable based on the attached course equivalents. Students transferring with 60 or more credits are granted junior status, and no more than 90 credits will be accepted in transfer to a bachelor's degree program.
- 4. Credits used to complete requirements for a Northern Essex Community College associate's degree may not be applied a second time toward courses in the bachelor's degree if it is included in the transfer of credit as part of this agreement.
- 5. Students transferring from NECC may enroll at SNHU as full or part time students. The majority of SNHU's bachelor's programs are offered both on campus and online.
- 6. Military students enrolling at SNHU can transfer up to 90 hours for a bachelor's with unlimited CLEP, DANTES and Excelsior credits--providing students meet residency requirements.



#### III. TERMS

- 1. Southern New Hampshire University agrees to provide NECC upon request, on official letterhead, an update of student enrollment and academic progress, to include general data on how many students have transferred to Southern New Hampshire University, completed at least three terms and are making satisfactory academic progress through their program (as defined in the SNHU catalog).
- 2. This Agreement is effective as of the date of the fully executed document, and shall continue until terminated. Both parties must approve amendments to the Agreement in writing. Either party may terminate the Agreement without cause upon 90 days written notice to the other party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, either party may terminate the Agreement immediately in the event that participation under the Agreement may give rise to a violation of any requirement of federal or state law or regulation or the requirements of any accrediting agency having jurisdiction.
- 3. Admission criteria, academic requirements, and other admission requirements will be subject to the applicable Catalog at the time of the students' admission to their desired SNHU bachelor's program.
- 4. The parties grant to each other a non-exclusive, non-transferable license to use each other's trademarks and servicemarks in furtherance of the articulation coordination detailed herein or in a manner solely for the purpose of identifying and communicating the existence of the relationship to Northern Essex Community College students and alumni. Use of trademarks, servicemarks and logos will comply with use policies of the originating institution. The parties shall discontinue the use of the licensed marks and return any and all files and materials containing the licensed marks supplied by the owner at termination or expiration of the Agreement. Neither party grants to the other any interest in the other party's trademarks. Should either originating institution request, in writing, that a particular use of the originating institution's trademarks and/or servicemarks be discontinued, the non-originating institution shall cease and desist such use of the trademarks and/or servicemarks.
- 5. NECC agrees to regularly communicate information regarding this articulation arrangement to its students via email on behalf of SNHU (reasonable costs to be incurred by SNHU) and to host SNHU representatives on campus for recruitment activities during the academic year.
- 6. The parties hereto will have the relationship of independent contractors for all purposes. Each will have complete control over its own performance and the details for accomplishing its own obligations under this Agreement. In no event will the agents, representatives or employees of one party be deemed to be agents, representatives or employees of the other.
- 7. This Agreement may be executed by a duly authorized representative of each party, either by electronic or facsimile transmission, each of which will be considered an original.
- 8. This Articulation Agreement is based on the current curriculum of both educational institutions. Each institution is responsible for notifying the other of any substantive changes to the curriculum. This agreement shall be reviewed by both institutions every four years.
- 9. The official, signed document, stamped "ORIGINAL" is to be filed in the VPAA office, and signed copies will be distributed to appropriate parties.



#### IV. CONTACTS FOR COORDINATION:

All notices and other communications required hereunder by either party to the other shall be in writing, addressed as follows:

If to Southern New Hampshire University:

Julie Callahan, Director of Transfer Recruitment and Articulation Southern New Hampshire University 2500 North River Road Manchester, NH 03106 j.callahan@snhu.edu 603.645.9687

If to Northern Essex Community College:

Grace Young, Dean, Academic Support Services, Articulation and Transfer Northern Essex Community College 100 Elliott Street Haverhill, MA 01830 gyoung@necc.mass.edu 978.556.3449

or to such other persons or places as either party may from time to time designate by written notice to the other.



DATE: December 10, 2013

#### **APPROVALS:**

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Southern New Hampshire University

## **Transfer Pathway**

Northern Essex Community College AA Liberal Arts: Journalism/Communication

to

SNHU BA Communication – ON CAMPUS GUIDE (Day School)

Northern Essex Community College AA in Liberal Arts: Journalism/Communication Courses:		Southern New Hampshire University BA in Communication Equivalencies:	
General Edu	ıcation	Requirements	
ENG101 English Composition I	3	ENG-120 College Composition I	
ENG102 English Composition II	3	ENG-200 Sophomore Seminar	
Math Elective	3	Mathematics Elective	
Fine Arts/Foreign Lang/Philosophy/Religion Elective: Choose ART (not 110, 140-152, 220 or 222), PHI, or REL	3	Fine Arts and Humanities Elective	
Literature Elective (not LIT267)	3	Literature Elective	
PSY101 Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY-108 Introduction to Psychology	
Behavioral Science Elective: Choose either ANT101 Cultural Anthropology or SOC101 Introduction to Sociology	3	ATH-111 Cultural Anthropology <b>or</b> SOC-112 Introduction to Sociology	
Math Elective	3	Mathematics Elective	
Science Elective	4*	Science Elective	
JRN201 Copy Editing	3	Communication Elective	
Literature Elective	3	Literature Elective	
School of Arts and	Science	es Core Requirements	
GOV101 American Government and Politics	3	POL-210 American Politics	
Communicati	on Majo	r Requirements	
COM115 Intro to Mass Communication	3	COM-126 Introduction to Mass Communication	
COM111 Public Speaking	3	COM-212 Public Speaking	
COM113 Principles of Public Relations	3	COM-227 Public Relations	
JRN101 Journalism I	3	COM-235 Introduction to Journalism	
Fr	ee Elect	tives	
COM101 TV Production	3	Communication Elective	
JRN102 Journalism II	3	Communication Elective	
History & Government Elective	3	Elective in corresponding discipline	
Science Elective	4*	Science Elective	
Additional Credits from 4-credit courses* (= 2 credits)	*	Electives in corresponding discipline	
Total Credits	62	Total Credits Transferred to SNHU	62

\* 4-credit courses leave students with an additional 1-credit per course that will be transferred as an elective in corresponding discipline. NOTE: At NECC, students are required to choose either the Communication Concentration or the Journalism Concentration. This Articulation Guide will accommodate <u>all</u> course choices in either Concentration, but for illustrative purposes it shows the following choices: COM111, COM113, and JRN201.

This document is based upon the current 2016-2017 curriculum at both institutions. Courses and requirements are subject to change.



# **Transfer Pathway**

### BA in Communication – ON CAMPUS GUIDE (Day School)

**Courses to be taken at SNHU:** 

General Education Requirements			
SNHU Experience	3		
Integration Cluster			
School of Arts and Sciences Core Requirements			
ENG-220 Business Communication			
Choose one of the following courses:			
100-Level HIS elective			
PSY-257 Social Psychology			
SCI-219 Environmental Issues			
SOC-328 Sociology of Aging			
GRA-310 Digital Graphic Design for the Web			
Communication Major Requirements			
COM-230 Graphics and Layout in Print Media			
COM-232 Desktop Publishing			
COM-244 Digital Video Production: Level I			
COM-310 Social Media			
COM-320 Exploring World Cultures/Mass Media			
COM-322 Advanced Public Speaking			
COM-430 Organizational Communications			
Remaining Free Elective credits to complete			
Credits taken at SNHU			
Total Credits in SNHU Bachelor Degree	120		

SNHU accepts up to 90 credits towards a bachelor degree. For specific course recommendations or additional information please contact **Monique Almeida** at m.almeida@snhu.edu or 603-645-9687.