

**Articulation Agreement Between
Allegany College of Maryland
and Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania**

Community colleges and the universities of the State System of Higher Education play important complementary roles in educating citizens. By virtue of their regional proximity, Allegany College of Maryland (AC) and Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania (SU) have worked together for many years to provide students with a variety of opportunities that allow them to achieve their educational goals.

The inception of this agreement is intended to continue these mutual efforts. AC and SU agree to cooperate by correlating their respective programs in order to facilitate transfer from AC to SU. This is intended primarily for those students who have completed an associate degree and desire to continue towards completion of a baccalaureate degree.

This agreement will benefit students by providing current information about programs and establishing specific arrangements that will allow the students to plan a complete course of study. AC and SU will continue to participate in the articulation process, identifying and updating individual course equivalencies. After the approval of this agreement, AC and SU will identify and develop articulated programs (including a dual admission process) which will allow students to move seamlessly from an associate program to a baccalaureate program.

PRINCIPLES OF AGREEMENT

1. The determination of major program requirements for a baccalaureate degree program shall be the responsibility of SU.
2. For admission to SU, a student completing an associate degree at AC will be required to earn at least a 2.0 quality point average (QPA) on a four-point scale. For SU programs with admission requirements other than a 2.0 QPA, the same criteria required of SU students will be applied to AC students. These admission requirements will be provided to AC on an annual basis.
3. Students without an associate degree will be required to have at least a 2.2 QPA for admission to SU.
4. Credits transferred from AC will normally be limited to half of the credits required for the baccalaureate degree at SU. The dean of the appropriate college at SU must approve any exceptions. A minimum of 45 credits must be completed at SU, including 30 of the last 60 credits earned. At least one half of the courses in the major field must be completed at SU. *A course by course equivalency will not be required for general education courses. The process for the evaluation of credits is outlined below:*
 - *All courses deemed by AC as general education core courses will be transferable to SU. They will either be a direct course equivalency, satisfy one of SU's Required Skills and Competencies/General Education Categories (A-E), or transfer as elective credits.*
 - *Credits from AC will be evaluated and applied to the major of choice in the following way: a course by course equivalency, fulfillment of a general education category, fulfillment of a major category, and elective credits. At least 45 credits will be applied to the general*

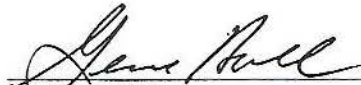
education program at SU where applicable, in attempt to respect the general education core requirements of AC's AS and AA degrees.

- *Students receiving a "D" in a course will have the opportunity to transfer that course to SU. The same standards will apply to transfer students, as do native students. There are majors that do have grade requirements for certain courses. A listing will be provided to AC.*
 - *Because of the general education structure of many of the major's at SU, advising sheets will be created and updated annually to maximize the transferring of credits.*
5. SU agrees to waive diagnostic (or placement) testing for AC students who have earned a grade of "C" or better in the appropriate college level general education courses in communication and computation.
 6. SU will not place a time limit on accepting transfer credits from AC unless there is a comparable limit on all credits earned by SU students.
 7. Credits accepted in transfer from AC will not be used by SU in the computation of the student's QPA or the awarding of academic honors.
 8. For the purpose of general education, degree, and program requirements, AC students will be considered as matriculating at SU at the time of their original matriculation at AC. AC students will be subject to the same continuous enrollment guidelines as SU students in determining which requirements and policies will apply.
 9. Remedial and orientation courses do not normally fulfill SU graduation requirements. SU will treat such courses from AC in the same manner as equivalent courses at SU.
 10. Certain SU programs may be designated as "impacted," requiring limitations on enrollment. SU will provide AC with a list of these programs along with the special requirements for students who wish to enter these impacted programs. SU also agrees to allocate spaces into these programs for qualified transfer students from AC. The number of spaces to be made available will be reviewed each semester with AC officials.
 11. As permitted by law, SU will provide AC with requested data on the academic progress and status of students who had transferred to SU from AC.
 12. AC students who transfer to SU will be treated in the same manner as other SU students of equal class standing when applying for financial aid and in the award and distribution of funds, subject to appropriate regulations.
 13. AC students who transfer to SU will receive the same consideration for campus housing as other SU students of equal class standing.
 14. AC students who transfer to SU will be given the same opportunities to schedule classes and receive student services as other SU students of equal class standing.

15. Either institution may terminate this agreement at any time by providing written notice at least one year in advance of the effective date of termination. Students in progress at the time of termination will be permitted to complete their AC program and then transfer to SU under the terms of the agreement.

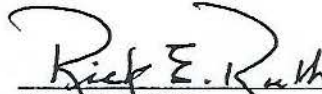
This agreement will become effective on 11-30, 2000.

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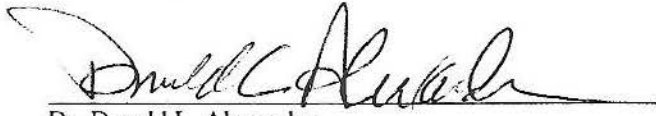


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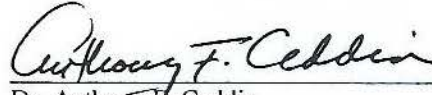
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