

**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:

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

2.16.26
Date

3/20/2026
Date