



**Transfer Articulation Agreement for Baccalaureate Degree**  
between  
**York County Community College**  
and  
**University of Southern Maine**

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**Statement of Purpose**

York County Community College (YCCC) and the University of Southern Maine (USM) have entered into this transfer articulation agreement. The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate student academic transfer and provide a smooth transition from a two-year community college to a university. It is recognized that this agreement shall describe the required program of study at YCCC for admission eligibility to USM and the Baccalaureate Degree Program indicated.

**Terms and Conditions of Academic Credit Transfer**

**To:** **Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science**  
(Name of USM Academic Program/Degree)

**From:** **Associate in Arts in Liberal Studies**  
(Name of YCCC Academic Program/Degree)

The evaluation and transfer of earned college credits shall be in compliance with state and federal education policies and institutional and academic program accreditation standards pertaining to undergraduate academic transfer. Current students and graduates who have earned degrees from York County Community College shall be eligible for credit evaluation under the terms of this agreement.

Transfer students will be accorded the same standards and criteria for admission to a major degree sequence as USM students. All applicants accepted to USM's Baccalaureate programs must fulfill the graduation requirements of the granting institution as identified in Appendices A, B & C.

- \* Appendix A Contains Admission & Graduation Requirements of the Receiving Institution
- \* Appendix B Contains Side By Side Course Equivalency Tables for the academic program listed above
- \* Appendix C Contains a four semester map of remaining courses to be taken at USM

(Important Note: The information contained in Appendices A, B, & C is accurate for Catalog Year 2015-2016 and the current transfer equivalency listing. For up to date information please check [https://peportal.maine.edu/psp/PAPRD89/EMPLOYEE/EMPL/h/?tab=PAPP\\_GUEST](https://peportal.maine.edu/psp/PAPRD89/EMPLOYEE/EMPL/h/?tab=PAPP_GUEST) for transfer equivalencies and <http://usm.maine.edu/catalogs> for the current course catalog year.



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**APPENDIX A**

This agreement includes specific requirements for admission into a program, outlines requirements, and indicates which degree or diploma can be used to meet program prerequisites as well as general education, major or program, and graduation requirements.

**Admissions requirements:** Successful completion of the YCCC Associate in Arts in Liberal Studies, submission of a completed admission application, transcripts, and other supporting materials. For coursework to transfer to USM, a student must earn a grade of C- or better.  
For a list of application instructions and checklist: <http://usm.maine.edu/admit/application-instructions>

**Requirements for the USM Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science:** Remaining required coursework is listed in Appendix C. Student must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 to graduate.  
**USM Residency Requirement:** At minimum, thirty (30) of the last forty-five (45) credits of a student's baccalaureate course load must be completed at USM.

## APPENDIX B

*Subjects represented in italics are recommended. If subjects in italics in Appendix B are **not** taken at YCCC, the sequence represented in Appendix C cannot be observed.*

YCCC AA Liberal Studies Requirements			USM Equivalencies**		
Course	Title	Credits	Course	Title	Credits
ENG 101	College Composition	3	ENG 100	College Writing	3
ENG 112	Literature and Writing	3	ENG 140	Reading Literature	3
PHI 102	Ethics and Contemporary Society	3	PHI 1XX	Philosophy Elective	3
SPE 101	Oral Communications	3	THE 1XX	Theatre Elective	3
	Computer Literacy (CIS 115 Software Applications recommended by YCCC)	3	Varies	Direct equivalent or general credit	3
	Creative Arts course	3	Varies	Direct equivalent or general credit	3
	Diversity/Cultural Knowledge course	3	Varies	Direct equivalent or general credit	3
	Core IV, Mathematics <i>MAT 127 College Algebra</i>	3	MAT 108	College Algebra	3
	Core III Social Sciences	3	Varies	Direct equivalent or general credit	3
	General Education Core I-IV: <i>MAT 227 Pre-Calculus</i>	3	MAT 140	Pre-Calculus	3
	General Education Core III Social Sciences	3	Varies	Direct equivalent or general credit	3
	General Education Core I-IV: <i>MAT 210 Statistics</i>	3	MAT 120	Statistics (Departmental Tools Course Requirement)	3
	General Education Core IV, Lab science course: <i>CHM 106 General Chemistry I</i>	4	CHY 113/114	Principles of Chemistry I/Lab	4
	General Education Core II Humanities	3	Varies	Direct equivalent or general credit	3
	General Education Core I-IV <i>CHM 116 General Chemistry II</i>	4	CHY 115/116	Principles of Chemistry II	4
	General Education Core II Humanities	3	Varies	Direct equivalent or general credit	3
	General Education Core I-IV or Open Electives	12	Varies	Direct equivalent or general credit	12
<b>Total YCCC credits</b>		<b>61</b>	<b>Total credits accepted</b>		<b>61</b>

\*\*With the exception of the capstone, and any other particular USM Core or LCC courses specifically required by the student's major, USM Core and LCC requirements are waived for students with a completed Associate of Arts degree in Liberal Studies/Liberal Arts from a regionally accredited community or other college. This policy does not apply to any other associate degrees. This policy is effective spring 2015 and is not retroactive.

# APPENDIX C

## Remaining USM Degree Requirements

For students in YCCC Associate in Arts in Liberal Studies transferring to USM Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science

[Assumes students complete recommended Mathematics, Science, Social Science, Fine Arts and Humanities electives at YCCC as listed in Appendix B.]

Year Three Fall		Year Three Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
ESP 207 Atmosphere: Science, Climate and Change	3	ESP 125/126 Introduction to Environmental Ecology	4
ESP 101/102 Fundamentals of Environmental Science/Lab	4	ESP 197 Research Skills Lab	1
ESP 150 Field Immersion	3	CHY 233 Analytical Chemistry/Lab	5
PHY 111/114 Elements of Physics I/Lab <b>OR</b> BIO 105/106 Biological Principles: Cellular Bio/Lab	4 or 4.5	ESP 203 Environmental Communication	3
		ESP 200+ level science elective	3
<b>Semester Credits</b>	<b>14 or 14.5</b>	<b>Semester Credits</b>	<b>16</b>

Year Four Fall		Year Four Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
MAT 152 Calculus A	4	ESP 400 Internship	3
ESP 280 Research and Analytical Methods	4	ESP 360 Water Quality Assessment and Control	4
ESP 340 Environmental Regulations	3	ESP 401 Environmental Impact Assessment and Lab (Capstone)	3
ESP 200+ level science elective	3	ESP 260 Soil and Water Conservation Engineering <b>OR</b> ESP 412 Field Ecosystem Ecology	3 or 4
Elective	3		
<b>Semester Credits</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Semester Credits</b>	<b>13 or 14</b>
<b>Total USM credits: 60 - 61.5</b>			
<b>Total SMCC and USM credits: 121 – 122.5</b>			