

**Articulation Agreement for Baccalaureate Degree  
between  
Kennebec Valley Community College  
and  
University of Southern Maine**

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**Statement of Purpose**

Kennebec Valley Community College (KVCC) 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 KVCC for admission eligibility to USM and the Baccalaureate Degree Program indicated.

**Terms and Conditions of Academic Credit Transfer**

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

**From: Associate in Applied Science in Health Information Management**  
(Name of KVCC 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 Kennebec Valley 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 2019-2020 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 KVCC Associate in Applied Science in Health Information Management, 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 Health Sciences:** Remaining required coursework is listed in Appendix C. Student must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.5 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.

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## APPENDIX B

*Courses represented in italics are required. If subjects in italics in Appendix B are **not** taken as part of the degree program at KVCC, the sequence represented in Appendix C cannot be observed.*

KVCC Associate in Applied Science in Health Information Management General Education Requirements			USM Bachelor of Science in Health Studies Equivalency		
Course	Title	Credits	Course	Title	Credits
ENG 101	College Composition	3	ENG 100	College Writing	3
CPT 117	Software Applications I	3	ITT 1XX	Technical Elective	3
<i>COM 104 OR</i> COM 105	<i>Introduction to Communication OR</i> Interpersonal Communication	3	<i>CMS 102 OR</i> CMS 1XX	<i>Intro to Communication OR</i> Communications & Media Elective	3
MAT 113	Elements of Mathematics	3	MAT 1XX	Mathematics Elective (Quantitative Reasoning Core Requirement)	3
FA/HUM/SS Elective	<i>PSY 215: Developmental Psychology</i>	3	HRD 220	Multicultural Human Development (Socio-Cultural Analysis Core Requirement)	3
<b>Total General Education credits</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>Total credits accepted</b>		<b>15</b>

KVCC AS in Health Information Management Major Requirements			USM Equivalencies*		
Course	Title	Credits	Course	Title	Credits
BIO 213	Anatomy and Physiology I	4	BIO 111/112	Human Anatomy & Physiology I/Lab	4
MAS 102	Medical Terminology	3	GEL 1XX	General Elective	3
BIO 214	Anatomy & Physiology II	4	BIO 113/114	Human Anatomy & Physiology II/Lab	4
HIT 101	Intro to Health Information Technology	3	GEL 1XX	General Elective	3
HIT 132	Legal, Ethical, and Regulatory Issues	3	GEL 1XX	General Elective	3
HIT 136	Introduction to Coding and Classification	3	GEL 1XX	General Elective	3
HIT 138	Revenue Cycle and Reimbursement Systems	3	GEL 1XX	General Elective	3
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY 100	Introduction to Psychology	3
HIT 201	ICD-10-CM/PCS Coding & Classification Systems	4	GEL 2XX	General Elective	4
BIO 216	Pathophysiology and Principles of Pharmacology for Health Professionals	3	BIO 2XX	Biology Elective (Advanced Elective Core Requirement 1 of 3)	3
HIT 210	Management Concepts for Health Care Organizations	3	GEL 2XX	General Elective	3
HIT 211	Health Data Collection	3	GEL 2XX	General Elective	3
HIT 212	Quality Improvement	3	GEL 2XX	General Elective	3
HIT 222	CPT-4 Coding	4	GEL 2XX	General Elective	4
HIT 243	Directed Practice II	4	GEL 2XX	General Elective	4
HIT 245	Health Information Technology Seminar	3	GEL 2XX	General Elective	3
<b>Major Credits</b>		<b>53</b>			
<b>Total KVCC Credits</b>		<b>68</b>	<b>Total Credits accepted</b>		<b>68</b>

\*While classes transfer into a number of different designations (general electives, exact equivalencies, core requirements, etc.), the major courses in KVCC's AAS in Health Information Management serve to fulfill the 30-credit track requirement within the USM BS in Health Sciences curriculum.

# APPENDIX C

## Remaining USM Degree Requirements

For students in KVCC AAS in Health Information Management transferring to USM BS in Health Sciences

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

Year Three Fall		Year Three Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
Ethical Inquiry Core Requirement	3	Cultural Interpretation Core Requirement	3
Psychology Elective (200-level or higher)	3	CHY 113 Principles of Chemistry <b>OR</b> CHY 107 Chemistry for Health Sciences	3
MAT 120 Statistics	3	CON 356 Concepts in Community Health <b>OR</b> SCI/SBS 336 Introduction to Public Health	3
CON 252 Human Nutrition	3	Elective $\geq$ 200-level (Advanced Elective Core Requirement 1 of 3)	3
Creative Expression Elective	3	International Core Requirement	3
<b>Semester Credits</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Semester Credits</b>	<b>15</b>

Year Four Fall		Year Four Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
Diversity Core Requirement	3	SPM 350 Health Promotion Programs (Engaged Learning Core Requirement)	3
PHY 101/102 Introduction to Physics I/Lab <b>OR</b> PHY 111/114 Elements of Physics I/Lab (Science Exploration Core Requirement)	4 or 5	Elective (Advanced Elective Core Requirement 2 of 3)	3
SPM 230 Psychology of Physical Activity and Sport	3	Elective (Advanced Elective Core Requirement 3 of 3)	3
SPM 219 Lifetime Physical Fitness and Wellness	3	SPM 477 Health Research Methods	3
<b>Semester Credits</b>	<b>13 or 14</b>	<b>Semester Credits</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Total USM credits: 52 - 53</b>			
<b>Total KVCC and USM credits: 123 - 124</b>			