

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

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 Science in General Science, Health Occupations – Medical Assisting**
(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 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 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 Science in General Science, Health Occupations – Medical Assisting, 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.

APPENDIX B

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

KVCC Associate in Science, Health Occupations Option—Medical Assisting General Education Requirements			USM BS Health Sciences 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 COM 105</i>	<i>Introduction to Communication OR Interpersonal Communication</i>	3	<i>THE 170 OR CMS 1XX</i>	<i>Public Speaking (Creative Expression Core Requirement) OR Communication & Media Elective</i>	3
MAT 113	Elements of Mathematics	3	MAT 1XX	Mathematics Elective (Quantitative Reasoning Core Requirement)	3
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY 101	General Psychology I	3
ENG 219	Business and Professional Writing	3	COR 2XX	Cluster Core Requirement 1 of 3	3
	Humanities Elective: <i>any course which fulfills USM Cultural Interpretation Core Requirement; see list</i>	3	Varies	Direct equivalent or elective credit	3
	General Education Elective: <i>PSY 215 Developmental Psychology</i>	3	HRD 200	Multicultural Human Development (Socio-Cultural Analysis Core Requirement)	3
Total credits		24	Total credits accepted		24

Major Requirements			USM Equivalencies*		
Course	Title	Credits	Course	Title	Credits
MAS 101	Introduction to Medical Assisting	3	GEL 1XX	General Elective	3
BIO 213	Anatomy and Physiology I	4	BIO 111/112	Human Anatomy & Physiology I/Lab	4
BIO 214	Anatomy and Physiology II	4	BIO 113/114	Human Anatomy & Physiology II/Lab	4
MAS 102	Medical Terminology	3	GEL 1XX	General Elective	
MAS 114	Medical Office Law and Ethics	3	GEL 1XX	General Elective	3
MAS 115	Medical Assisting Clinical Theory	3	GEL 1XX	General Elective	3
MAS 117	Medical Assisting Clinical Lab	1	GEL 1XX	General Elective	1
BIO 216	Pathophysiology and Principles of Pharmacology for Health Professionals	3	BIO 2XX	Biology Elective (Cluster Core Requirement 2 of 3)	3
MAS 211	Insurance Coding for Medical Office	3	GEL 2XX	General Elective	3
MAS 215	Advanced Medical Assisting Clinical Theory	3	GEL 2XX	General Elective (Cluster Core Requirement 3 of 3)	3
MAS 217	Advanced Medical Assisting Clinical Lab	2	GEL 2XX	General Elective	2
MAS 212	Introduction to Health Insurance and Claims Processing	3	GEL 2XX	General Elective	3
MAS 234	Clinical/Administrative Office Practicum	5	GEL 2XX	General Elective	5
Total Major Credits		40			
Total KVCC Credits		64	Total Credits accepted		62

*While classes transfer into a number of different designations (general electives, exact equivalencies, core requirements, etc.), the major courses in KVCC's AS General Science, Health Occupations—Medical Assisting 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 AS General Science, Health Occupations – Medical Assisting 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	PHY 101/102 Introduction to Physics/Lab OR PHY 111/114 Elements of Physics I/Lab (Science Exploration Core Requirement)	4 or 5
PSY 102 General Psychology II	3	CON 321 Health-Related Research	3
MAT 120 Statistics (Quantitative Reasoning Core Requirement)	3	International Core Requirement	3
CON 252 Human Nutrition	3	Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
Semester Credits	15	Semester Credits	16 or 17

Year Four Fall		Year Four Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
CHY 113 Principles of Chemistry OR CHY 107 Chemistry for Health Sciences	3	SPM 350 Health Promotion Programs	3
Diversity Core Requirement	3	CON 356 Concepts of Community Health OR SCI/SBS 336 Introduction to Public Health	3
SPM 230 Psychology of Physical Activity and Sport	3	Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
Elective (required only if PHY 101/102 was used to fulfill Science Exploration Core Requirement)	3		
Semester Credits	15	Semester Credits	12
Total KVCC credits: 58 - 59			
Total KVCC and USM credits: 120 or 122			