

TRANSFER AGREEMENT FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREE



Southern Maine Community College
and
University of Southern Maine



Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate student academic transfer and provide a smooth transition from Southern Maine Community College (SMCC) to University of Southern Maine (USM). It is recognized that this agreement shall describe the required program of study at SMCC for admission eligibility to USM and the degree program indicated.

Terms & Conditions of Academic Credit Transfer

To: Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Planning and Policy

From: Associate in Applied Science in Horticulture

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 Southern Maine 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, and 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

Information contained in Appendices A, B, and C is accurate for Catalog Year 2022-2023 and the current transfer equivalency listing. For current information please check the [UMS Transfer Guide](#) for equivalencies, and go to <http://usm.maine.edu/catalogs> for the current course catalog.

APPENDIX B

Side by Side Course Equivalency Tables

*Where the Associate represents elective latitude, courses represented in italics are required. If subjects in italics in Appendix B are **not** taken at SMCC as part of the AAS in Horticulture program, the sequence represented in Appendix C cannot be observed.*

| SMCC AAS Horticulture Courses | | | USM BA in Environmental Planning and Policy Equivalencies | | |
|---|--|-----------|---|---|-----------|
| Course | Title | Credits | Course | Title | Credits |
| ENGL 100 | English Composition | 3 | ENG 100 | College Writing | 3 |
| ENGL 115 | Introduction to Literature | 3 | ENG 140 | Reading Literature (Cultural Interpretation Core Requirement) | 3 |
| FIGS 100 | Freshman Interest Groups | 1 | GEL 1XX | General Elective | 1 |
| MATH 130 <i>OR MATH 140</i> | Technical Math <i>OR College Algebra</i> | 3 | MAT 108 | College Algebra | 3 |
| BIOL 115 | Botany & Lab | 4 | BIO 1XX | Biology Elective | 4 |
| Fine Arts or Humanities Elective; <i>any course that fulfills USM Creative Expression Core Requirement, see list</i> | | 3 | Varies | General Elective or Direct Equivalent | 3 |
| Social Science Electives: <i>ECON 120 Microeconomics and any course which fulfills USM International Core Requirement, see list</i> | | 6 | ECO 102 and Varies | Introduction to Microeconomics (satisfies Socio-Cultural Core Requirement) and General Elective or Direct Equivalent | 6 |
| Total credits | | 23 | Total credits accepted | | 23 |

| AAS Horticulture Major Requirements | | | Major Requirements | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|--------------------|--|---------|
| Course | Title | Credits | Course | Title | Credits |
| HORT 100 | Introduction to Horticulture & Lab | 3 | GEL 1XX | General Elective | 3 |
| HORT 110 | Woody Plant Materials | 2 | GEL 1XX | General Elective | 2 |
| HORT 120 | Pruning | 1 | GEL 1XX | General Elective | 1 |
| HORT 130 | Soils and Soils Fertility | 3 | GEL 1XX | General Elective | 3 |
| HORT 140 | Integrated Pest Management & Lab | 3 | GEL 1XX | General Elective | 3 |
| HORT 150 | Arboriculture & Lab | 3 | GEL 1XX | General Elective | 3 |
| HORT 175 | Placement Training | 3 | GEL 1XX | General Elective; Replaces ESP 400 Internship (Engaged Learning Core Requirement) | 3 |
| HORT 180 | Freshman Seminar | 1 | GEL 1XX | General Elective | 1 |
| HORT 200 | Herbaceous Plant Materials | 2 | GEL 2XX | General Elective; taken with HORT 210, HORT 200 replaces Tools Course requirement | 2 |
| HORT 210 | Landscape Surveying & Mapping | 2 | GEL 2XX | General Elective; taken with HORT 200, HORT 210 replaces Tools Course requirement | 2 |
| HORT 220 | Landscape Management | 3 | GEL 2XX | General Elective; Replaces ESP 200 | 3 |

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| HORT 230 | Nursery & Garden Center Operations | 3 | GEL 2XX | General Elective | 3 |
| HORT 240 | Turfgrass Management | 2 | GEL 2XX | General Elective | 2 |
| HORT 250 | Greenhouse Management & Lab | 3 | GEL 2XX | General Elective | 3 |
| HORT 280 | Senior Seminar | 1 | GEL 2XX | General Elective | 1 |
| HORT 290 | Landscape Design | 3 | GEL 2XX | General Elective; Replaces ESP 417 Site Planning and Assessment | 3 |
| ACCT 105 OR BUSN 130 | Financial Accounting or Entrepreneurship I | 3 | ACC 110 OR BUS 1XX | Financial Accounting Information for Decision Making OR Business Elective | 3 |
| Total Major Credits | | 41 | | | |
| Total SMCC Credits | | 64 | Total Credits Accepted | | 64 |

APPENDIX C

Remaining USM Degree Requirements

For SMCC AAS in Horticulture graduates entering USM BA in Environmental Planning and Policy program

| Year Three Fall | | Year Three Spring | |
|--|-----------|--|-----------|
| Course | Credit | Course | Credit |
| ESP 101/102 Fundamentals of Environmental Science/Lab (Science Exploration Core Requirement) | 4 | ESP 125/126 Introduction to Environmental Ecology | 4 |
| ESP 220 Introduction to Environmental Policy | 3 | ESP 197 Research Skills Lab | 1 |
| CHY 1XX Chemistry lecture | 3 | ESP 203 Environmental Communication | 3 |
| ESP 150 Field Immersion | 3 | MAT 120 Statistics (Quantitative Core Requirement) | 3 |
| ESP 340 Environmental Regulations | 3 | ESP 207 Atmosphere: Science, Climate, and Change | 3 |
| Semester Credits | 16 | Semester Credits | 14 |

| Year Four Fall | | Year Four Spring | |
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| Course | Credit | Course | Credit |
| ESP 327 Natural Resource Economics OR ESP 326 Environmental Economics | 3 | ESP 401 Environmental Impact Assessment and Lab (WRI 3 Core Requirement) | 4 |
| ESP 280 Research and Analytical Methods | 4 | Ethical Inquiry Core Requirement | 3 |
| ESP 375 Environmental and Risk Assessment and Management | 3 | ESP 421 Natural Resource Policy | 3 |
| ESP 305 Community Planning Workshop | 3 | Culture, Power, and Equity Core Requirement | 3 |
| WRI 3 Core Requirement | 3 | | |
| Semester Credits | 16 | Semester Credits | 13 |
| Total USM credits: 59 | | | |
| Total SMCC and USM credits: 123 | | | |