

# 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 Science in Environmental Science**

**From: Associate in Applied Science in Marine Science**

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 University of Southern Maine 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](#) or [MaineStreet](#) for equivalencies, and go to <http://usm.maine.edu/catalogs> for the current course catalog year.

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## Articulation Agreement between Southern Maine Community College & University of Southern Maine

### APPENDIX A

#### Admission & Graduation Requirements of the Receiving Institution

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 SMCC **Associate in Applied Science in Marine Science**, submission of a completed admission application (if necessary), 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 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.

#### Residency Requirement

For all baccalaureate degrees at the University, a minimum of 30 credit hours, including at least 9 credit hours in the major field at the 200-level or above, must be completed at the University of Southern Maine.

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## APPENDIX B

### Side by Side Course Equivalency Tables

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

| SMCC AAS in Marine Science<br>General Education Requirements  |   |           | University of Southern Maine BS Environmental<br>Science 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<br>(Cultural Interpretation<br>Core Requirement)                                      | 3         |
| FIGS 100  | Freshman Interest Group<br>Elective                           | 1         | GEL 1XX  | General Elective   | 1         |
| MATH 140  | College Algebra   | 3         | MAT 108  | College Algebra  | 3         |
| MATH 146  | Introduction to Trigonometry                                  | 1         | MAT 1XX  | Mathematics Elective   | 1         |
| BIOL 124  | Biology I & Lab   | 4         | BIOL 105/106   | Biological Principles I  | 4         |
| CHEM 120  | General Chemistry I & Lab                                     | 4         | CHY 113/114  | Principles of Chemistry I<br>& Lab (Science Exploration<br>Core Requirement)                             | 4         |
| Fine Arts or Humanities Electives: <i>any course which satisfies USM Creative Expression Core Requirement; <a href="#">see list</a></i> |   | 3         | Varies   | Direct equivalent or<br>general elective credit  | 3         |
| Social Science<br>Elective  | <i>ECON 120 Microeconomics OR<br/>ECON 125 Macroeconomics</i> | 3         | ECO 101 OR<br>102  | Introduction to<br>Microeconomics OR<br>Macroeconomics (Socio-<br>Cultural Analysis Core<br>Requirement) | 3         |
| <b>Total credits</b>  |   | <b>25</b> | <b>Total credits accepted</b>  |  | <b>25</b> |

| AAS Marine Science Major Requirements |                                      |         | USM Equivalencies |  |         |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|-------------------|--|---------|
| Course                                | Title                                | Credits | Course            | Title  | Credits |
| BIOL 250                              | Microbiology & Lab                   | 5       | BIOL 311/282      | Microbiology and Lab                           | 5       |
| BIOM 170                              | Invertebrate Zoology & Lab           | 4       | BIOL 351          | Replaces one ESP 200<br>level elective         | 4       |
| BIOM 180                              | Phycology: Biology of<br>Seaweed/Lab | 4       | BIO 1XX           | General elective                               | 4       |
| BIOM 255                              | Ecology & Lab                        | 4       | BIO 331/332       | Satisfies Environmental<br>Ecology ESP 125/126 | 4       |
| BIOM 265                              | Fishery Science & Lab                | 4       | BIO 2XX           | Biology Elective                               | 4       |
| CHEM 125                              | General Chemistry II & Lab           | 4       | CHY 115/116       | Principles of Chemistry II<br>& Lab            | 4       |
| OCEA 105                              | Elements of Oceanography &<br>Lab    | 4       | COR 1XX           | OCEA 105 or 125 replace<br>ESP 200+ elective   | 4       |
| OCEA 125                              | Seatime I: Marine Field<br>Methods   | 2       | GEL 1XX           | OCEA 105 or 125 replace<br>ESP 200+ elective   | 2       |

|                                       |   |           |                               |   |           |
|---------------------------------------|---|-----------|-------------------------------|---|-----------|
| GISS 150 <b>OR</b><br><i>OCEA 225</i> | Intro to Geographic Information Systems <b>OR</b><br><i>Advanced Sea Time</i> | 2         | GEL 2XX                       | Only OCEA 225 and OCEA 290 together replace ESP 280   | 4         |
| OCEA 290                              | Capstone Research   | 2         | GEL 2XX                       |   |           |
| BIOL 128 <b>OR</b><br><i>MATH 155</i> | Biology II & Lab <b>OR</b><br><i>Statistics</i>                               | 4 or 3    | BIO 107 <b>OR</b><br>MAT 120  | Biological Principles II/Lab <b>OR</b> Intro to Statistics (Departmental Tools Requirement) | 4 or 3    |
| <b>Total Major Credits</b>            |   | <b>38</b> |                               |   |           |
| <b>Total Credits</b>                  |   | <b>63</b> | <b>Total Credits accepted</b> |   | <b>63</b> |

## APPENDIX C

### Remaining University of Southern Maine Degree Requirements

For SMCC Associate in Applied Science in Marine Science graduates to complete BS in Environmental Science\*

| Year Three Fall  |           | Year Three Spring  |           |
|--|-----------|--|-----------|
| Course   | Credit    | Course   | Credit    |
| ESP 101/102 Fundamentals of Environmental Science              | 4         | CHY 233 Analytical Chemistry/Lab <b>OR</b> CHY 251/252 Organic Chemistry I/Lab | 5         |
| ESP 150 Environmental Science Field Immersion                  | 3         | ESP 203 Environmental Communication  | 3         |
| MAT 140 Pre-Calculus (Quantitative Reasoning Core Requirement) | 3         | ESP 207 Atmosphere: Science, Climate and Change                                | 3         |
| Culture, Power, and Equity Core Requirement                    | 3         | ESP 360 Water Quality  | 4         |
| WRI 2 Core Requirement   | 3         |  |           |
| <b>Semester Credits</b>  | <b>16</b> | <b>Semester Credits</b>  | <b>15</b> |

| Year Four Fall   |                | Year Four Spring   |           |
|--|----------------|--|-----------|
| Course   | Credit         | Course   | Credit    |
| ESP 412 Field Ecosystem Ecology <b>OR</b> ESP 413 Forest Ecology | 3 or 4         | ESP 200-level+ Elective  | 3         |
| Ethical Inquiry Core Requirement                                 | 3              | ESP 401 Environmental Impact Assessment and Lab (WRI 3 Core Requirement) | 4         |
| ESP 340 Environmental Regulations                                | 3              | MAT 152 Calculus A   | 4         |
| ESP 400 Internship (Engaged Learning Core Requirement)           | 3              | International Core Requirement   | 3         |
| <b>Semester Credits</b>  | <b>12 - 13</b> | <b>Semester Credits</b>  | <b>14</b> |
| <b>Total USM credits: 57 - 58</b>                                |                |  |           |
| <b>Total SMCC &amp; USM credits: 120 – 121</b>                   |                |  |           |

\*USM ESP 197 Research Skills Lab is waived under this agreement.