

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 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 Arts in Environmental Planning and Policy

Remaining required coursework is listed in Appendix C. 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 AAS Marine Science program, the sequence represented in Appendix C cannot be observed.*

SMCC AAS Marine Science General Education Requirements			University of Southern Maine BA 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)	3
FIGS 100	Freshman Interest Group 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 & Lab (Science Exploration Core)	4
<i>Fine Arts or Humanities Elective: any course which fulfill USM Creative Expression Core Requirement; see list</i>		3	Varies	Direct equivalent or elective credit	3
Social Science Elective	<i>ECON 120 Microeconomics</i>	3	ECO 102	Introduction to Microeconomics (Socio-Cultural Analysis Core Requirement)	3
Total credits		25	Total credits accepted		25

AAS Marine Science Major Requirements			USM Equivalencies and Replacements		
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 level elective	4
BIOM 180	Phycology: Biology of Seaweeds/Lab	4	BIO 1XX	Biology Elective	4
BIOM 255	Ecology & Lab	4	BIO 203	Ecology; satisfies USM ESP 125/126 Environmental Ecology	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 & Lab	4
OCEA 105	Elements of Oceanography/Lab	4	COR 1XX	OCEA 105 or 125 replace ESP 200+ elective	4
OCEA 125	Seatime I: Introduction to Marine Field Methods	2	GEL 2XX	OCEA 105 or 125 replace ESP 200+ elective	2

GISS 150 OR <i>OCEA 225</i>	Intro to Geographic Information Systems OR <i>Advanced Sea Time</i>	2	GEL 2XX	Only OCEA 225 and OCEA 290 together replace ESP 280	2
OCEA 290	Capstone Research	2	GEL 2XX		2
BIOL 128 OR <i>MATH 155</i>	Biology II & Lab OR <i>Statistics</i>	4 or 3	BIO 107 OR MAT 120	Biological Principles II/Lab OR Intro to Statistics (Quantitative Reasoning Core Requirement)	4 or 3
Major Credits		38			
Total Credits		62	Total Credits accepted		62

APPENDIX C

Remaining USM Degree Requirements

For SMCC Associate in Applied Science in Marine Science graduates to complete University of Southern Maine
BA in Environmental Planning and Policy*

Year Three Fall		Year Three Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
ESP 101/102 Fundamentals of Environmental Science	4	WRI 2 Core Requirement	3
ESP 150 Environmental Science Field Immersion	3	Departmental Tools Course	3
ESP 200 Environmental Planning (Ethical Inquiry Core Requirement)	3	ESP 203 Environmental Communication	3
ESP 326/ECO 326 Environmental Economics OR ESP 327 Natural Resource Economics	3	Culture, Power, and Equity Core Requirement	3
ESP 220 Introduction to Environmental Policy	3		
Semester Credits	16	Semester Credits	12

Year Four Fall		Year Four Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
ESP 305 Community Planning	3	ESP 207 Atmosphere: Science, Climate and Change	3
ESP 375 Environmental Risk Assessment & Management	3	ESP 401 Environmental Impact Assessment and Lab (WRI 3 Core Requirement)	4
ESP 340 Environmental Regulations	3	ESP 421 Natural Resource Policy	3
ESP 400 Internship (Engaged Learning Core Requirement)	3	International Core Requirement	3
ESP 417 Site Planning and Assessment	3	Elective	3
Semester Credits	15	Semester Credits	16
Total USM credits: 59			
SMCC & USM credit total: 121			

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

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION AND REVIEW

The Chief Academic Officer designee of the collaborating institutions shall be responsible for implementing this agreement, for identifying and incorporating any changes into subsequent agreements, and for conducting a periodic review of this agreement.

Signatures to this Agreement

This agreement becomes effective March 2023 and will be reviewed for renewal in March 2026.

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