

Articulation Agreement
The Wor-Wic Community College

Mathematics and Sciences:

Biology Concentration

AND

The St. Mary's College of Maryland (SMCM)

Marine Science

PREFACE

St. Mary's College of Maryland (SMCM) welcomes students from Wor-Wic Community College into our community of learners. This Articulation Agreement is designed to facilitate Wor-Wic Community College students' ease of transfer from the Mathematics and Sciences: Biology Concentration program at Wor-Wic Community College to the SMCM Marine Science program. This Agreement augments any Guaranteed and Dual Admission agreements signed between The Wor-Wic Community College and SMCM.

Under this Agreement, Wor-Wic Community College students graduating with an Associate of Science (A.S.) in STEM Transfer, Biology Concentration will be eligible for admission into SMCM Marine Science program, provided that students:

1. Submit the SMCM Application for Admission at least six months prior to the start of the semester they wish to transfer to St. Mary's College of Maryland.
2. Complete the required courses as described in the Appendix A of this agreement.
3. Satisfy all other SMCM admissions requirements, which are available on the College website at <http://www.smcm.edu> or by contacting an admissions counselor at St. Mary's College of Maryland.
4. Graduate from Wor-Wic Community College with a minimum cumulative grade-point average (GPA) of 2.75.
5. Recognize that grades of "C-" or better will transfer and will be transcribed as transfer credits or "TR" on the SMCM transcript. Per the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR), grades of D will transfer although may not be used for major/minor requirements.
6. Understand that there is no residential living requirement for incoming students, though transfer students may request on-campus housing if they wish.
7. Understand that SMCM will accept up to 70 transferable credits.
8. Understand that students with at least 56 transferable credits will enter with Junior status.
9. Submit Wor-Wic Community College transcripts along with transcripts from any other colleges they may have attended prior to attending Wor-Wic Community College.

SMCM welcomes International Students to apply to the College. Additional admission materials will include the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and WES transcript evaluations if applicable. Please check the College website at <http://www.smcm.edu> for details.

This Agreement is also available to part-time students.

ALTERNATIVES TO THIS AGREEMENT

Students interested in Dual Admission to SMCM are encouraged to consult with an Academic Adviser at Wor-Wic Community College and the Office of Admissions at SMCM to assist in choosing courses to promote timely graduation from SMCM. Transcripts will be evaluated on a preliminary basis by the SMCM Admissions Office prior to application upon request.

OBLIGATIONS OF ST. MARY'S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND

To facilitate the transfer of Wor-Wic Community College graduates to the SMCM Marine Science program in accordance with the foregoing, SMCM agrees to the following:

1. To attend regularly scheduled transfer programs at Wor-Wic Community College.
2. To invite Wor-Wic Community College students to information/advising meetings with SMCM faculty and staff on a regular basis at both Wor-Wic Community College and SMCM in order to facilitate smooth curricular and co-curricular integration to St. Mary's College of Maryland.
3. To send SMCM letters of admission to all Wor-Wic Community College students who meet the conditions set forth herein and confirm their intention to matriculate at SMCM. It is recommended that students confirm their intention to matriculate at SMCM by June 1st for the fall semester, or by December 1st for the spring semester and satisfy all other regular SMCM admissions requirements.

4. Those students entering full time study at SMCM are eligible to be awarded academic scholarships and/or grants per established guidelines at the time of enrollment.

Scholarships are renewable on an annual basis and students must meet with a Financial Aid advisor for additional information. SMCM offers a variety of scholarships and grant awards. These opportunities include merit-based and need-based aid and grants. Sources of these awards include SMCM, private donors, as well as federal and state programs.

5. To ensure that incoming students will be provided with SMCM financial aid information and receive full consideration for SMCM financial aid, in addition to appropriate scholarships and grants listed above, upon matriculation at St. Mary's College of Maryland.
6. To ensure that Wor-Wic Community College graduates entering SMCM under the terms of this Agreement go through SMCM's normal transfer admissions process, including meeting all applicable SMCM requirements and deadlines pertaining to application for admission, orientation and registration, and payment of tuition and fees. They will abide by the policies and procedures, and any revisions thereof that apply to all SMCM students. Incoming matriculated students will have all the rights and privileges of other SMCM students.
7. To periodically invite Wor-Wic Community College students to SMCM events.

OBLIGATION OF Wor-Wic Community College

Wor-Wic Community College agrees to publicize this agreement to prospective and current Wor-Wic Community College students in its promotional literature, and make special arrangements for SMCM recruiters and advisors to visit Wor-Wic Community College to meet with prospective and current Biology/Marine Science students.

JOINT OBLIGATIONS

1. To inform each other through appropriate channels prior to implementing major changes in policy or curricula that directly affect students transferring under the terms of this Agreement, and keep each other informed of any changes of policy or curricula that affect those students. Both SMCM and Wor-Wic Community College will review this Articulation Agreement on a regular basis and make changes upon mutual agreement, as needed. Such changes will be effective when both Wor-Wic Community College and SMCM sign the revised document.
2. Students are required to graduate from Wor-Wic Community College with a minimum GPA of 2.75. Transferable courses with grades of D or better will be brought into SMCM as transfer credits. A minimum grade of C- or better is required in courses counting toward Marine Science.



3. To collaborate in providing students with information and academic advising both from SMCM and College of Southern Maryland. SMCM will make available contact information for questions about St. Mary's College of Maryland's academic requirements, Core Curriculum requirements, degree requirements, and the process of transferring to SMCM.
4. To jointly agree to develop and implement advertising and promotional efforts to communicate the benefits of this Articulation Agreement.
5. To designate a representative or representatives who will coordinate this Articulation Agreement between the two institutions.
6. To exchange data and documents on a regular basis that will contribute to the maintenance and improvement of the arrangement, enhance the transfer process, and promote effective cooperation between institutions. These will consist of data about individual transfer students, including admissions information and grades, and reports on the results of program reviews, assessments of students' learning, and decisions of curricula and other committees.
7. This Agreement may be updated (by means of addenda), upon mutual agreement by appropriate officials of the two institutions, to allow for additional curriculum articulation sheets accommodating course equivalencies for specific major(s)/minor(s)/certificate program(s). This Agreement sets forth the entire understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior understandings, memos, writings or agreements of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. Any waiver by a party of any of its rights or of the other party's obligations must be in writing.
8. To provide, when available, direct links between the SMCM and Wor-Wic Community College websites when applicable.

REVISIONS, RENEWAL, AND TERMINATION OF THIS AGREEMENT

The SMCM Provost and Dean of Faculty and the appropriate officers at Wor-Wic Community College are responsible for identifying and communicating to each other changes in the policies or requirements of their respective institutions that affect this Articulation Agreement.

This Articulation Agreement will be in effect, as of the date of its signing, for students entering SMCM fall semester 2021 or after. It will be reviewed on a yearly basis by the appropriate parties at each institution and will be renewed automatically until superseded by new Agreements or formally terminated. Either institution may terminate this Agreement at any time by written notice at least one year in advance of the effective date of termination. Should this Agreement be terminated, it is understood that the termination will not apply to students already accepted to SMCM under the terms of this Agreement.

The willingness of both institutions to enter this Articulation Agreement in order to facilitate the transfer of students from Wor-Wic Community College to St. Mary's College of Maryland, and to expand their opportunities for academic success there, is indicated by the following signatures. The undersigned representatives of the parties, Wor-Wic Community College and St. Mary's College of Maryland, have executed this Articulation Agreement on the dates indicated:

Wor-Wic Community College	St. Mary's College of Maryland
 6/16/2021	 June 15, 2021
Kristin L. Mallory Vice President for Academic Affairs	Katherine L. Gantz Interim Dean of Faculty

APPENDIX A

Wor-Wic Community College				St. Mary's College of Maryland				
Recommended Courses				St. Mary's College Course Equivalents				
Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	
MTH	1200	Calculus I and Analytic Geometry	4	MATH	151	Calculus I	4	
MTH	1210	Calculus II	4	MATH	152	Calculus II	4	
TOTAL RECOMMENDED CREDITS			8	TOTAL GRANTED CREDITS FROM RECOMMENDED COURSES				8
Required Courses				St. Mary's College Course Equivalents				
Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	
BIO	105	Principles of Biology 1 with Lab	4	BIOL	105/L	Principles of Biology I with Lab	5	
BIO	106	Principles of Biology 2 with Lab	4	BIOL	106/L	Principles of Biology II with Lab	5	
CHE	105	General Chemistry I with Lab	4	CHEM	103	General Chemistry I	4	
CHE	106	General Chemistry II with Lab	4	CHEM	106/L	General Chemistry II with Lab	4	
MTH	152	Elementary Statistics	3	MATH	221	Introduction to Statistics	4	
PHY	121	General Physics 1	4	PHYS	121	College Physics I	4	
PHY	122	General Physics 2	4	PHYS	122	College Physics II	4	
TOTAL Required CREDITS			27	TOTAL GRANTED REQUIRED CREDITS				30
GRAND TOTAL CREDITS			35	GRAND TOTAL GRANTED CREDITS				38

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Remaining Degree Requirements at St. Mary's College of Maryland and Advising Sheet						
First Fall Semester at St. Mary's College			First Spring Semester at St. Mary's College			
Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	Prefix	Number	Title
CORE	301	Liberal Arts Seminar	4	BIOL	383	Biological Oceanography
MIRNE	220	Physical Oceanography	4	MIRNE	110	Introduction to Marine Science
		Elective as needed to reach 128 total credits & 44 Upper-Level credits.				Elective as needed to reach 128 total credits & 44 Upper-Level credits.
Second Fall Semester at St. Mary's College			Second Spring Semester at St. Mary's College			
Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	Prefix	Number	Title
MIRNE	398/397/ 399/493	Choose one of these four	4	MIRNE	490/494	Marine Science Capstone or 2 nd Semester Marine Science SMP
XXXX	3XX/4XX	Marine Science Upper-Level Elective Course 4	4	XXXX	3XX/4XX	Marine Science Upper-Level Elective Course 4
XXXX	3XX/4XX	Marine Science Upper-Level Elective Course 4	4			
		Elective as needed to reach 128 total credits & 44 Upper-Level credits.				Elective as needed to reach 128 total credits & 44 Upper-Level credits.
First Summer at St. Mary's College (if needed for timely graduation)			Second Summer at St. Mary's College (if needed for timely graduation)			
Prefix	Number	Title	Credits	Prefix	Number	Title
Additional Requirements						

NOTE: Completion of the A.A. or A.S. Degree satisfies LEAD Core Knowledge and Methods requirements. Completion of CORE 301 (or equivalent) is a requirement of attending St. Mary's College of Maryland.