# **Articulation Agreement**

Howard Community College (HCC) Associate of Arts in Public Health 10901 Little Patuxent Parkway Columbia, Maryland 21044

University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC) Bachelor of Arts in Health Administration & Policy Program, Public Health Track 1000 Hilltop Circle Baltimore, Maryland 21250

Entered into this 20 day of April, 2011.

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This agreement is applicable for students enrolled at Howard Community College upon the execution date of this agreement. This agreement may be modified by the mutual written consent of both parties. This agreement may be terminated by either party by giving notice six months in advance to the other party. Such termination will not affect the participation in the articulated programs of those Howard Community College students who have been fully or conditionally admitted to UMBC.

Any notice to be given hereunder shall be given in writing by U.S. mail or via reputable over night courier (e.g., Federal Express, DHL, etc.). Notice shall be deemed received upon delivery to the party to whom the notice is directed or to its agent, in the case of UMBC to: UMBC, 1000 Hilltop Circle, Baltimore, Maryland 21250, Attn: Dr. Elliot Hirshman, Provost, with copies to Dr. Diane Lee, Vice Provost and Dean, Undergraduate Education, Ms. Yvette Mozie-Ross, Assistant Provost, Enrollment Management, and Steven Smith, University Registrar, UMBC; and, in the case of Howard Community College to: HCC, 10901 Little Patuxent Parkway, Columbia, MD 21044, Attn: Sharon J. Pierce, Vice President of Academic Affairs, with copies to Georgene A. Butler, Chair, Health Sciences Division. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that this Agreement provides that any notice must be directed to a person other than the person designated for the receipt of notice in the preceding sentence, then notice must be directed to such other person in order to be effective hereunder.

This Agreement embodies the entire agreement and understanding among the parties hereto relating to the subject matter hereof and may not be changed orally, but only by an instrument in writing signed by all parties hereto. No representation, warranty, undertaking or covenant is made by any party hereto except as contained herein and any others are specifically disclaimed. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the State of Maryland (i.e., without regard to its conflicts of law rules). This Agreement shall be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors, but shall not inure to the benefit of any third party beneficiary. This Agreement and any rights hereunder may not be assigned by either party without the prior written consent of the other, and any purported assignment without consent shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement.

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Bachelor of Arts in Health Administration & Policy Program,
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This agreement is initiated this day, April 20, 2011, between Howard Community College, hereafter "HCC," and the University of Maryland Baltimore County, a constituent institution of the University System of Maryland, and agency of the State of Maryland, hereafter "UMBC," to facilitate the transfer of students earning the Associate of Arts in Public Health at HCC to UMBC in pursuit of the Bachelor of Arts in Health Administration & Policy Program, Public Health Track.

#### I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Articulation Agreement (the "Agreement") is to establish a collaboration between UMBC and HCC in an effort to facilitate the transfer and degree completion of students earning the Associate of Arts in Public Health at HCC to the Bachelor of Arts in Health Administration & Policy Program, Public Health Track at UMBC.

This Agreement also serves as a Memorandum of Understanding between both institutions for the purpose of clarifying roles and responsibilities in this partnership.

#### II. GUIDING PRINCIPLES

In consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions expressed herein, the parties agree to the following:

#### A. General Requirements

- 1. All courses meeting general education requirements at HCC will transfer and be applied towards the general education requirements at UMBC.
- 2. A maximum of 60 credits will transfer from HCC, a 2-year degree-

- granting institution.
- 3. Upon matriculation to UMBC, HCC students must satisfy all general education, graduation and major requirements as outlined in the UMBC Undergraduate Catalog.
- 4. HCC students must take a minimum of 30 credit hours at UMBC to earn a bachelor's degree. The final 30 credits must be earned at UMBC.
- 5. UMBC requires a minimum of 120 credit hours to attain a bachelor's degree.

# B. Advising/Academic Planning

- 1. Students should work closely with their academic advisor at HCC to develop an academic plan to ensure a seamless transition.
- 2. Students and advisors are encouraged to utilize a variety of advising resources including the UMBC Undergraduate Catalog, departmental websites, as well as ARTSYS (the USM online articulation database), to ascertain transferability of coursework.
- 3. Following admission to UMBC, students will receive an evaluation of prior college coursework via myUMBC. The evaluation will include a Transfer Credit Report and a Degree Audit detailing prior coursework, transferability and applicability to UMBC general and university requirements.
- 4. Prior to matriculation to UMBC, all new students are required to attend the mandatory new student orientation program. During orientation, students will meet with an academic advisor to review prior coursework, discuss academic interests and goals, and develop an academic plan.
- 5. Upon matriculation, students will be assigned an advisor in their area of study. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with their advisor periodically. Students are required to meet with their advisor prior to registering for subsequent semesters.

#### C. Admissions

- 1. The UMBC Admissions Committee evaluates transfer applicants on the basis of their academic record at previous institutions. Cumulative grade point average, performance trends, strength of curriculum and performance in courses related to the intended area of study are considered.
- 2. Applicants successfully completing the articulated program with a 2.0 or better grade point average who have not matriculated at any other institution of higher education will be guaranteed transfer admission to UMBC. Additional requirements may apply on selective admissions programs (e.g. Engineering, Visual Arts, Performing Arts). A history of acts identified in the Federal Campus Security Act may disqualify a candidate for guaranteed admission.

### D. Scholarships and Financial Aid

- 1. Students transferring from HCC to UMBC who meet application deadlines, academic and financial qualification that apply to all students, may be eligible for consideration for the following scholarships offered by UMBC:
  - a) The Academic Achievement Award for Transfers (AAAT) awarded to community college transfers on the basis of academic accomplishment. Awards of up to \$2,500 for each of two academic years of study. May be used for full- or part-time study. Students must have completed 35 or more college level credits at the time of application to be eligible for consideration.
  - b) Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Scholarship awarded to community college transfers on the basis of academic accomplishment. Awards range from \$2,000 to \$2,500 per year for each of two academic years of study. May be used for full- or part-time study. Students must submit proof of PTK membership to be eligible for consideration.
  - c) Honors College Scholarship Transfer students admitted to the Honors College may be eligible for a \$1,000 award per year for each of two years of academic study.
- 2. To maximize consideration for need-based aid, students are encouraged to complete the free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as possible after January 1 but prior to February 14 for fall admission.

# E. Ongoing Collaboration

- 1. In the spirit of articulation, faculty representatives from both institutions will meet regularly to engage in ongoing discussion to enhance and strengthen this collaboration.
- 2. UMBC Health Administration & Policy Program faculty may serve as a resource as available to HCC Public Health students and faculty by serving as guest lecturers, workshop/seminar facilitators and other program exchanges.
- 3. Partner institutions agree to communicate program changes in a timely manner to avoid disruption to student progress toward degree completion.

### III. PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

The following details a recommended course of study for students earning the Associate of Arts degree in Public Health at Howard Community College transferring to UMBC in pursuit of the Bachelor of Arts degree in Health Administration & Policy Program, Public Health Track. Where noted, course equivalencies, general education and major applicability are indicated.

HCC Course Number	HCC Course Title	HCC Credits	UMBC Equivalency	UMBC General Education Requirement	Notes
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ENGL 121	College Composition I	3	ENGL 100	EN	
	Option 1 – 11 credits required	3	LLE	АН	
Option 2)	(Satisfies Humanities, Arts and Literature Core Requirements) (UMBC if less than 4 years of language in high school.)				
	World Language Sequence (i.e., LANG-101 or LANG-102)	3	LLE	АН	
	Literature, Arts <i>or</i> Humanities Core Course (other than World Language)	3	LLE	АН	
	Option 2 – 9 credits required (Satisfies Humanities, Arts and Literature Core Requirements)				
	Literature Core Course	8	LLE	L	
	Arts Core Course  Humanities Core Course	3	LLE	АН	
	Option Total	9-11			
GEOG 101	Introduction to World Geography	3	GES 105	SS/C	
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GEOG 102	Elements of Cultural Geography		GES 102	SS/C	
SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE CORE COURSE		3	LLE	SS	
SCIENCE		8	LLE	S/SL	Two courses, one must include a lab
MATH 138 INTERDISCIPLINARY & EMERGING ISSUES CORE COURSE		3	STAT121 LLE	M SS	
Total General Requirements	**************************************	33:35		Transfer of the	
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HEED 115	Personal and Community Health	3	LLE		
SOCI 101	Introduction to Sociology	3	SOCY 101	SS	
NUTR 211	Nutrition	3	LLE		Departmental substitution of BIOL 233 will be granted.
PUBH 101	Introduction to Public	3	HAPP 354		9

	Health				
PUBH 210	Epidemiology	3	LLE		Departmental substitution of SOCY 420 will be granted.
PUBH 230	Health and the Disease Process	3	HAPP 200		
PUBH 233	Introduction to Environmental Health	3	LLE		
PUBH 260	Community Advocacy in Public Health	3	LLE		
PUBH 280	Global Health	3	HAPP 380	SS	
Total Program Requirements		27		 	
Total Number of Credits Required For Associate of Arts degree		60-62			
Maximum Number of Transfer Credits Applied Towards Bachelor of Arts degree		60			
Minimum Number of Credits Remaining for Completion of 120 Credits Required for Bachelor of Arts degree		60			

Leg	end
AH	Arts/Humanities
C	Culture
EN	English Composition
L	Language
LLE	Lower Level Elective
M	Mathematics
PΕ	Physical Education
S	Science
SL	Science (plus lab)

SS Social Sciences

Signatures of principals for this agreement:

Mary Stuart, D.Sc

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