

Transfer Articulation Agreement for Baccalaureate Degree between York County Community College and the University of Maine Farmington

Statement of Purpose

York County Community College (YCCC) and the University of Maine Farmington (UMF) have entered into this transfer articulation agreement. The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate student academic transfer and provide a smooth transition from a two-year community college to the University of Maine Farmington. This agreement shall describe the required program of study at YCCC and the specific course equivalencies for the UMF Baccalaureate Degree Program indicated.

Terms and Conditions of Academic Credit Transfer

To: BS Early Childhood Education, UMF
From: AAS Early Childhood Education, YCCC

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 AAS Early Childhood Education degrees from York County 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 UMF students. All applications accepted to UMF Baccalaureate programs must fulfill the graduation requirements of the granting institution as identified in the following pages.

Articulation Implementation and Agreement Review

The Chief Academic Officer designee of YCCC and UMF 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 in September 2015 and will be reviewed in September 2020 for renewal discussion.

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Dr. Kathryn Foster Date
President, UMF

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Early Childhood Education

This agreement includes specific requirements for admission into the Early Childhood Education program, outlines requirements, and indicates which courses can be used to meet program prerequisites as well as general education, Early Childhood Education program requirements, and graduation requirements.

Admissions Requirements:

Students apply to the University of Maine Farmington. The application is also reviewed by the Early Childhood Education faculty.

1. Requirements for admission to UMF include a completed application form, an application fee (currently waived), official transcripts from all colleges attended and a personal statement.
2. Requirements for admission to the Early Childhood Education Program - Birth to Five Certification or K-3 Certification Option:
 - a. UMF admission requirements listed above
 - b. Recommendations in support of your interest in teaching
 - c. An essay that reflects your desire to teach at the appropriate age level and highlighting any relevant work experience
 - d. Passing PRAXIS Core with minimum scores of: Reading 156, Math 150, and Writing 162, or a composite (total of all three) score of 468 with individual test scores no more than three points lower than the above three scores.
3. Requirements for admission to Early Childhood Education Program Non-certification option or the Early Childhood Education Off-Campus Program:
 - a. UMF admission requirements listed above
 - b. PRAXIS scores are not required for admission.

Program Requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education for Birth-5 Certification and Birth-5 Non-Certification tracks at UMF in addition to requirements satisfied by completion of YCCC's AAS in Early Childhood Education:

ECH 201 Language Development, Early Literacy and Children's Literature (YCCC's ECE 202 Language and Literacy Young Children will apply as part of ECH 201 when this course is combined with an additional Language Development, Early Literacy and Children's Literature course taken at UMF)	6 credits
ECH 256 Creative Arts and Technology for the Young Child	4 credits
ECH 232 Social Science for the Young Child	4 credits
ECH 336 Development of Mathematical Concepts in Young Children	4 credits
ECH 384 Science Education for Young Children	4 credits
ECH 450 Senior Seminar: Research in Early Childhood Education	4 credits
ECH 490 Internship in Early Childhood Education	4 to 8 credits
Advanced Level Courses – Select One	
ECH 402 Diverse Programming in Early Childhood Environments	4 credits
ECH 420 Planning Environments for Young Children	4 credits
ECH 430 Theories of Learning and Curriculum Development	4 credits
ECH 440 Children, Families and Communities	4 credits
ECH 477 Special Topics in Early Childhood Education	1 to 4 credits variable

Plus additional general education courses

For the K-3 track, additional courses are required. See the UMF catalog for K-3 Certification requirements.

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Transfer from A.A.S. in Early Childhood Education at York County Community College to B.S. in Early Childhood Education at University of Maine Farmington

A.A.S. in Early Childhood Education at YCCC Required Courses	Credits	B.S. in Early Childhood Education at UMF Required Courses	Credits transferred
Semester I			
Transfer classes to UMF			
ECE 101 Introduction to Early Care and Education: The Child's Learning Environment	3	Complex rule – ECE 101 and ECE 170 = ECH 150 Introduction & Observation in Early Childhood Education	3
ENG 101 College Composition	3	ENG 100 First Year Writing Seminar	3
ECE 111 Child Growth and Development	3	PSY 225 Child and Adolescent Development	3
ECE 108 Health, Safety and Nutrition	3	ECH 199 – Early Childhood Elective	3
MAT 122 Finite Math	3	MAT 100M Introduction to Mathematics Gen Ed Math Distribution	3
Semester II			
ECE 207 Infant & Toddler Curriculum Development	3	ECH 250 Infants and Toddlers Development and Care	3
ECE 202 Language and Literacy for Young Children	3	ECH 299 Course equivalency will apply as part of ECH 201 when this course is combined with an additional Language Development, Early Literacy and Children's Literature course taken at UMF	3
ECE 170 Observation and Assessment	3	Complex rule – ECE 101 and ECE 170 = ECH 150 Introduction & Observation in Early Childhood Education	3
ECE 206 Education of Children w/Special Needs	3	ECS 103 Supporting Children in Inclusive Settings	3
EDU 160 Technology in Education	3	GEL 199 General Elective	3
General Education Core III Social Science * ECO 110, ECO 120, HIS 101, HIS 102, HIS 110, HIS 120, POS 101, PSY 101, SOC 101, SOC 210 **	3	Courses listed will transfer to UMF with S at end of course number and will fulfill one course of the UMF two course social science requirement	3
Semester III			
ECE 190 Guidance of Young Children	3	ECH 199 Early Childhood Elective	3
ECE 219 Curriculum – Preschool + Primary Age	3	ECH 299 Early Childhood Elective	3
ECE 255 Practicum I	3	ECH 192 Intro Practicum/Seminar ECE	3
SPE 101 Oral Communication	3	GEL 199 General Elective	3
General Education Core II Arts and Humanities* ART 110, ART 120, ART 122, ART 126, ENG 220, HUM 101, HUM 102, HUM 110, HUM 210, SPA 101, SPA 102	3	Courses listed will transfer to UMF with A or H at end of course number and will fulfill either an arts or humanities requirement	3
Semester IV			
ECE 210 Management of Child Care Centers	3	ECH 367 Administration Early Childhood Programs	3
ECE 265 Practicum II	4	ECH 293 Intermediate Practicum and Seminar in Early Childhood Education	4
SCI 101 Intro to Environmental Science	3	GEL 199 General Elective	3
General Education Core IV Math and Science* BIO 106&107, BIO 116&117, BIO 127&128, BIO 136&137, PHY 151w/lab, SCI 110w/lab	4	Courses listed will transfer to UMF with an N at end of course number and will fulfill one course of the two course natural science requirement	4
Open Elective	3	See below*	3
Total Credit Hour Requirements	65		

*Additional YCCC courses may meet these requirements—see current course equivalency tables on MaineStreet at <https://mainestreet.maine.edu>

**If pursuing Birth-Five, State 081 Certification, one of the social sciences must be from the state approved list: anthropology, economics, geography, history, or political science; if pursuing the K-3, State 029 certification, two courses must be from the state approved list.

Note: A course grade of C- or higher is needed for a course to transfer to UMF. After transfer, a grade of B- or higher is needed in all Early Childhood professional courses; a grade of C or higher is needed for ENG 100 to satisfy UMF's Early Childhood Education program requirements.

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General Education Requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education at UMF:

General education courses must total 40 credits. In addition to requirements satisfied by completion of YCCC's AAS in Early Childhood Education, UMF students must take additional courses, including:

- One or two additional natural science courses, with a lab, in biology, chemistry, environmental science, geology or physics. Courses in two different science disciplines are required at UMF;
- One or two additional social science courses. (If pursuing Birth-Five, State 081 Certification one of the social sciences must be from the state approved list: anthropology, economics, geography, history, or political science. If pursuing the K-3, State 029 certification, two courses must be from the state approved list);
- One arts course in art, art history, dance, music, music history, or theater;
- One humanities course in English literature, philosophy, religion, French, Spanish or Chinese. Students pursuing the K-3 Certification should take an English literature course to fulfill this requirement;
- One non-credit course in physical education (not required for students in Off-Campus Bachelor's Degree Program);
- One additional mathematics course for students pursuing K-3 certification;
- General electives as needed to reach 40 credits in General Education.

Professional Education Requirements:

To enroll in professional education courses at the 300 level or above, students must earn Candidacy in Education, which includes achieving a grade of B- or higher in professional education courses (see note page 3), and a 2.75 GPA overall in UMF courses.

Prior to Internship, students in the Early Childhood Education Program must:

- a. complete all required UMF professional education courses with grades of B- or higher,
- b. achieve a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher, and
- c. be fingerprinted and have a Criminal History Record Check.

Prior to Internship and for teacher certification, students in the Early Childhood Education Program- Birth to Five Certification Option and K-3 Certification Option must:

- a. pass the PRAXIS II 5024 exam – Education of Young Children - with a score of 160 or higher,
- b. complete all required UMF professional education courses with grades of B- or higher,
- c. achieve a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher, and
- d. be fingerprinted and have a Criminal History Record Check.

UMF Graduation Credit Requirement:

Total credits needed for graduation from UMF – 128 credits with a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher.

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