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Agreement/Transfer Information

Purpose of Agreement

This agreement facilitates the transfer of Bucks County Community College graduates to Arcadia University.

Core-to-Core Agreement

Arcadia University agrees to accept the general education embedded in the BCCC A.A. and A.S. degrees as meeting all the requirements of its undergraduate general education requirements, except for a maximum of two additional courses, to be selected by and taken at Arcadia University. (In the case where the student does not earn a "B" or better in both College Writing Level I and College Level Writing II, an upper level writing class will also be required.)

Dual Admissions Agreement

Under the Dual Admissions Agreement, BCCC students will be guaranteed admission into a bachelor's degree program with third year (junior) status (except for BFA Acting students) at AU on the condition that they:

- Graduate from BCCC with an A.A. or A.S. degree
- Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.3
- Enroll at AU within one year of graduation from BCCC
- Do not attend another institution of higher learning between the time they graduate from BCCC and enroll in AU
- Complete a "Dual Admissions Intent" form at the time of admission to BCCC, or no later than they have completed 30 transferable credits
- Satisfy all other regular AU admissions requirements.

The Dual Admissions agreement provides:

- A full time student admitted with junior status to AU will be able to complete a Bachelor's degree program at AU within four regular semesters, provided that the student completes the appropriate Associate degree program at BCCC and completes and appropriately sequences his/her remaining course work at AU.
- Students will be governed by the AU degree requirements in effect at the time of signing the "[Dual Admissions Intent](#)" form.
- Application fee will be waived for students who enroll at AU pursuant to this agreement.

- Scholarships will be awarded based on final BCCC GPA.

What this means

Generally, a baccalaureate degree consists of three components:

- Core Curriculum or General Education requirements (usually 36-54 credits)
- Major courses (consists of specific courses and electives within the major)
- Free Electives (college level courses from any discipline that are used to complete the remaining credit requirements for the degree.)
- A fourth component: Some programs have core requirements of their own in addition to the college/university's core.

Upon transfer, the Core-to-Core agreement allows the transfer student to concentrate primarily on completing the remaining courses in the major during the junior and senior years.

Scholarships

- There are generous Distinguished Scholarship opportunities for full-time (enrolled in 12 or more AU credits per semester) and part-time (enrolled in 6-11 AU credits per semester) students who have earned an A.A. or A.S. degree at BCCC.
- AU will award the following academic scholarships to eligible full time students admitted to AU pursuant to this agreement:
 - minimum \$4,500 for 3.0 – 3.19 cumulative GPA
 - minimum \$6,000 for 3.2 – 3.49 cumulative GPA
 - minimum \$8,000 for 3.5 – 4.0 cumulative GPA
- Part-time students with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher will receive a \$400 scholarship
- All scholarships may be renewed each year contingent upon the student remaining in good academic standing at AU.

Additional Information Available in the BCCC Transfer Center

Copy of Dual Admissions [Core-to-Core Agreement](#)
Copy of [agreement description](#)
Course equivalencies on file for Arcadia University

Embedded Adobe XML Form

The file <http://www.bucks.edu/transfer/arcadia/Dual%20Admission%20Intent.pdf> is an Adobe XML Form document that has been embedded in this document. Double click the pushpin to view.



**DUAL ADMISSIONS AGREEMENT
CORE-TO-CORE TRANSFER AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
BUCKS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
AND
ARCADIA UNIVERSITY**

Preface

Bucks County Community College (BCCC) and Arcadia University (AU) enter into this Dual Admission and Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement to facilitate the transfer of BCCC students to AU.

Under the Dual Admission Agreement, BCCC students will be guaranteed admissions into a Bachelor's Degree program with third year (junior) status¹ at AU on the condition that they: graduate from BCCC with an Associate in Arts (A.A.), or an Associate in Science (A.S.) Degree with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.3; enroll at AU within one year of BCCC graduation; do not attend another institution of higher education between the time they graduate from BCCC and enroll at AU; complete a "Dual Admissions Intent" form at the time of admission to BCCC, or no later than when they have completed 30 transferable credits; and satisfy all other regular AU admissions requirements. A full time student admitted with third year (junior) status¹ to AU will be able to complete a Bachelor's degree at AU within four regular semesters provided that the student completes the appropriate Associate Degree program at BCCC and completes and appropriately sequences his/her remaining course work at AU.

In addition, AU agrees to accept the General Education embedded in the BCCC Associate in Arts and Associate in Science degrees as meeting all the requirements of its undergraduate General Education requirements, except for a maximum of two additional courses to be taken at AU, which will be selected by the AU Registrar in consultation with the appropriate AU department chair.² This core-to-core agreement applies to all BCCC A.A. and A.S. graduates, and is not limited to students who participate in the Dual Admissions agreement.

This Dual Admissions and Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement becomes effective on May 16, 2005.

To facilitate the transfer of BCCC graduates to AU in accordance with the foregoing guarantee, the parties agree to the following:

Obligations of Arcadia University

1. To invite BCCC students to an informational meeting with AU faculty and staff on a regular basis at both BCCC and AU, in order to facilitate smooth curricular and co-curricular integration to AU.

¹ Except for students enrolled in the BFA in Acting

² In the case where the student does not earn a "B" or better in both College Writing Level I and College Writing Level II, an upper level writing class will also be required.

2. To send an AU letter of admission to all BCCC students who complete a "Dual Admissions Intent" in accordance with the expectations stated in the Preface of this agreement and who meet the conditions set forth in the Preface. Students must confirm their intention to matriculate at AU by July 1st for the fall semester, and by December 1st for the spring semester, and satisfy all other regular AU admissions requirements. BCCC students who complete a "Dual Admissions Intent" form will be governed by the AU degree requirements in effect at the time of signing the "Dual Admissions Intent" form.
3. To waive the application fee for students who enroll at AU pursuant to this Agreement.
4. To award academic scholarships to all qualified students admitted to AU pursuant to this Agreement. Full-time AU students (enrolled in 12 or more credits a semester) with a 3.0 – 3.19 final BCCC GPA will receive a minimum of \$4,500 scholarship; full-time students with a 3.2 – 3.49 final BCCC GPA will receive a minimum of \$6,000 scholarship; and full-time students with a 3.5 – 4.0 will receive a minimum of \$8,000 scholarship. Part-time students (enrolled in 6 to 11 credits a semester) with a final BCCC GPA of 3.0 or higher will receive a \$400 scholarship. All scholarships may be renewed each year contingent upon the students remaining in good academic standing at AU. Students are also eligible for need-based financial aid and other types of financial aid. BCCC students admitted under the agreement will receive full consideration for all AU financial aid.
5. To ensure these students will be provided with AU financial aid information and receive full consideration for AU financial aid upon matriculation at AU.
6. To support a core-to-core articulation agreement that allows the BCCC General Education core for the A.A. or A.S. degree to fulfill all AU General Education requirements, except for a maximum of two additional courses to be taken at AU, which will be selected by the AU Registrar in consultation with the appropriate AU department chair.² Eligible BCCC graduates enrolling at AU will be identified upon admission to AU, and the fact that they have satisfied AU General Education requirements by core-to-core transfer will be noted on all pertinent AU student records.
7. To accept core-to-core transfers as satisfying all the requirements of the AU General Education curriculum, except for those noted in #6 above, to be taken at AU. Core-to-core transfer does not alter the requirements of the student's major field of study or its admissions standard as identified in the AU catalog published in the year the student signed the agreement.
8. BCCC graduates entering AU under the terms of this agreement go through AU normal transfer admissions process and therefore must meet all applicable AU 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 AU students.

² In the case where the student does not earn a "B" or better in both College Writing Level I and College Writing Level II, an upper-level writing class will also be required.

9. To continue working with BCCC on program to program curriculum articulation agreements that specify for BCCC transfer students the BCCC courses that satisfy major requirements required for degree completion at AU.

Obligations of Bucks County Community College

To publicize this Agreement to prospective students in its promotional literature, to make special arrangements for AU recruiters and advisors to visit BCCC, and to inform qualified students matriculating at BCCC of the opportunity for dual admission and core-to-core transfer to AU under the terms of this Agreement.

Joint Obligations

1. Consult with 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 other changes of policy or curricula that affect those students. Both AU and BCCC will review this Agreement annually and make any changes upon mutual agreement, as needed. Such changes will become effective when both BCCC and AU sign the revised document.
2. Collaborate in providing students with information and academic advising about this agreement, AU's academic requirements, and the process of transferring to AU.
3. BCCC and AU jointly agree to develop and implement advertising and promotional efforts to communicate the benefits of dual admission and core-to-core transfer.
4. Each institution will designate a representative or representatives who will coordinate the Dual Admission and Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement between the two institutions.
5. Exchange data and documents annually that will contribute to the maintenance and improvement of this core-to-core 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 student learning, and decisions of curricular and other committees. The institution(s) will exchange data only after obtaining appropriate permission from the students as indicated on the Dual Admissions form.
6. Facilitate and support consultation and collaboration between their faculties related to this agreement, General Education, degree requirements, and other academic matters.
7. To provide direct links between AU and BCCC websites.

Revision, Renewal and Termination of this Agreement

The Arcadia University Dean of Undergraduate Studies and Bucks County Community College Dean of Academic Affairs are responsible for identifying, and communicating to each other, changes in the policies or requirements of their respective institutions that affect this Agreement.

This Agreement will be in effect as of the date of its signing, for students entering AU on or after May 16, 2005. It will be reviewed annually by the appropriate parties at each institution, and will be renewed automatically until superseded by a new Agreement 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 AU under the terms of this Agreement.

The willingness of both institutions to enter this Agreement in order to facilitate the transfer of students from BCCC into AU, and to expand their opportunities for academic success there, is indicated by the following signatures.

The undersigned representatives of the parties, Bucks County Community College and Arcadia University, have executed this Agreement on the dates indicated:

For Bucks County Community College

For Arcadia University

Dr. James J. Links, President

Dr. Jerry M. Greiner, President

Dr. Annette L. Conn, Vice President
and Dean of Academic Affairs

Dr. Michael L. Berger, Vice President of
Academic Affairs and Provost

BUCKS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE and ARCADIA UNIVERSITY

Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement

For more than 150 years, Arcadia University has provided quality educational opportunities to outstanding students and has welcomed transfer applicants from both two-year and four-year institutions across the country. Since 1992, the University has been one of *Barron's* "Best Buys in College Education." As a member of our university community, you'll benefit from:

- distinguished faculty
- diverse degree programs (B.A., B.F.A, B.S.)
- convenient schedules (full-time, part-time, day and evening,)
- opportunities for international study (including overseas internships)
- full-range of cultural and social activities
- competitive financial aid and scholarships

What is Core-to-Core?

The Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement allows graduates who have an Associate of Arts (A.A.) or an Associate of Science (A.S.) degree from BCCC to enter Arcadia University having satisfied all of the Arcadia University General Education Requirements, except for the addition of up to two courses as outlined in the below requirements.

The Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement is designed to facilitate BCCC students' ease of transfer into Arcadia University. This agreement does not alter individual admissions requirements for a student's major field as outlined in the University catalog.

BCCC graduates entering Arcadia University under the terms of this agreement must go through the Arcadia University transfer admissions process and must meet all of the applicable Arcadia University requirements and deadlines pertaining to application for admission, orientation, and registration.

Core-to-Core Requirements:

- The terms of this agreement apply to students who have earned an A.A. or A.S. degree at BCCC
- A.A.S. and A.G.S. degree holders are not guaranteed admission under the terms of this agreement and should contact the Office of Enrollment Management for transfer admissions information.
- A minimum of 50% of courses for the major must be completed at Arcadia University
- Student must enroll in Arcadia University within one year of completing his/her degree at BCCC
- Student must not attend any other institution of higher learning after completing a degree at BCCC
- If grade of B or better is not earned in English Composition I and II, student must complete one additional upper-level writing course at Arcadia University
- Dependent upon student coursework at BCCC, up to two general education courses must be taken at Arcadia. Specific courses will be selected in consultation with the Arcadia Registrar and the appropriate Arcadia Department Chair.
- A minimum G.P.A. of 2.3 is required.

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Transfer Student Scholarships:

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- Full-time students with a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0-3.19 will receive a minimum of \$4,500/yr.
- Full-time students with a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.2-3.49 will receive a minimum of \$6,000/yr.
- Full-time students with a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.5-4.00 will receive a minimum of \$8,000/yr.
- Part-time students with a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0 or higher will receive \$400/yr.

All scholarships may be renewed each year contingent upon the student remaining in good academic standing at Arcadia University.

**For more information please contact
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