# ARTICULATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN MOBERLY AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

#### Associate of Arts to Bachelor of General Studies

#### **OVERVIEW:**

This formal program articulation agreement is made and entered into by the University of Missouri, hereinafter referred to as MU, and the Moberly Area Community College Moberly, Missouri, hereinafter referred to as MACC. By this agreement MACC and MU express a shared commitment to increasing opportunities for student access to and success in higher education. By clarifying transfer policies and procedures which assure articulation between programs, the institutions seek to assist students in making a seamless transfer from the associate to the baccalaureate degree.

#### **PURPOSE:**

This agreement provides students who have earned an **Associate of Arts** the opportunity to complete a **Bachelor of General Studies** on campus at MU. Any Moberly Area Community College student who has earned an Associate of Arts is guaranteed that MU will accept designated freshman and sophomore credits and all general education credits and will apply such to the Bachelor of General Studies degree in a manner consistent with the treatment of native students.

#### **CONDITIONS OF TRANSFER:**

#### Section I: Admissions and Matriculation

MACC students maintaining continuous enrollment under this agreement will be afforded the same treatment and protection as MU native students enrolled under a specific catalog. Criteria for admissions to the MU BGS program will be based on the catalog year the student enters the AA/BGS track program at MACC.

Acceptance into MU for transfer students is based upon their past academic performance and the admissions requirements for the Bachelor of General Studies.

MACC, upon request of students, will provide verification of completed courses to MU through its Admissions Office.

The transcripts of students transferring from MACC will be evaluated by the Admissions Office.

Transfer students from MACC will have access to financial aid and student services on the same basis as native students.

Minimum grade standards for academic progress and graduation from MACC will be

subject to no further review by MU.

MU will apply the same academic progress and graduation standards to MACC transfer students as those applicable to native students at MU.

# Section II: Program Plan

Students falling under this program articulation agreement will be responsible for successful completion of the following requirements:

## **Degree Requirements for the BGS**

General Studies students must meet the following requirements to graduate from the College of Arts & Science (Degree completion students will have already met some of these requirements):

- 120 semester hours of credit with a minimum 2.0 GPA in all courses taken in each component; a 2.0 minimum cumulative GPA; a 2.0 minimum GPA in all courses taken in the final 60 hours; a 2.0 minimum GPA in all courses taken in the final 30 hours.
- 30 of the last 36 hours after acceptance to the general studies degree program must be completed with MU courses.
- Grades of D are not acceptable in component area courses.
- At least 30 hours of credit must be taken in courses numbered 3000 or above.

## **Specific Requirements for the BGS**

- **I. Basic Skill Requirements:** English 1000 and Math 1100 (or equivalents) with grades of C– or higher.
- **II. Writing Intensive:** Two approved Writing Intensive courses from MU with English 1000 as a prerequisite (grade C- or higher). One of these courses must be 3000 level or higher. (Lower level Writing Intensive course is Waived by AA Degree)
- **III. Math Reasoning Proficiency:** One approved Math Reasoning Proficiency course with College Algebra as a prerequisite (grade C– or higher). (Waived by AA degree)

### IV. Foundation Requirement: Breadth of Study

- 9 hours of biological, physical and mathematical sciences, including two of the three areas; and one biological or physical science lab course.
- 9 hours from course work in behavioral sciences (anthropology, psychology, sociology) and social sciences (geography, history, political science, economics) including one course in each area.

- 9 hours from humanities and fine arts courses. Must include work from at least two different areas.
- 3 additional hours from any of the above categories.

#### Note:

- Only one non-Arts & Science course may be used in each of the 4 categories:
  - 1. biological, physical, and mathematical sciences
  - 2. behavioral sciences
  - 3. social sciences
  - 4. humanities and fine arts
- The breadth of study requirements are waived for students obtaining an Associate of Arts from a Missouri community college.

## V. Foundation Requirement: Depth of Study

- 9 hours of these foundation courses must be at the 2000 level or above.
- One 3-hour 2000+ level course must be taken through MU.
- All 2000+ courses must be A&S courses.
- 2000+ courses must be in two of the following four categories:
  - 1. biological, physical, and mathematical sciences
  - 2. behavioral sciences
  - 3. social sciences
  - 4. humanities and fine arts

## Note:

- Foundation courses used to satisfy the foundation (breadth and depth of study)
  requirements may not be used to satisfy other BGS component requirements and
  Basic Skill requirements.
- A total of 6 hours of the depth of study requirements are waived for students obtaining an Associate of Arts from a Missouri community college. The remaining 3 hours must be completed with 2000+ level A&S coursework after admission to the BGS Degree.

## **VI. Components:**

• Three fields of study, each including a minimum of 15 hours of course work (45 hours), form the core of the general studies major.

- Component courses may be selected from any department or program at MU (if the department permits), but at least 18 credit hours must be made of courses from an A&S department.
- Of the 15 credit hours required for each component, 6 credit hours in each of the components must be numbered 3000 or higher.
- Transfer students may construct one component solely with courses taken at other
  institutions. Where appropriate, the requirement of 3000–level work in this one
  component may be waived, but in such cases, students must include 9 hours of MU
  course work at the 3000 level or above in each of their two remaining components.
- A minimum of 12 credit hours of MU coursework numbered 3000 level or above is required in the three components.
- No more than six hours of special projects or directed readings may be included in any one component; the combined total for such work is limited to 12 hours.

**VII. Capstone Requirement:** General studies students must complete an approved 3-credit-hour capstone course in one of the component areas.

**VIII. Electives:** Any courses ordinarily accepted for credit by the College of Arts & Science may be chosen as hours to apply toward the minimum of 120 required for graduation.

Associate of Arts		
Moberly Area Community College		
General Education Requirements	Hours	
Communications		
LAL101 Composition I	3	
LAL 102 Composition II (C- or better)	3	
SPK101 Public Speaking I	3	
Literature		
LAL 120 American Lit Survey to 1870 (or other		
Literature Course)	3	
Humanities		
Humanities Elective Course work	6	
Social and Behavioral Sciences		
Must satisfy MO law to include instruction in U.S.		
and State Constitution by including PSC 103 or		
105 or HST 105.	3-5	
Additional Social or Behavioral Science Elective(s)		
to reach 9 hours	4-6	
Physical and Biological Sciences	1	
BIO 101 or PHY 120 or other BIO w/ lab	4-5	
Additional BIO/PHY elective(s) to reach 9 hours	4-5	
Mathematics	1	
MTH140 College Algebra (C- or better)	3	
Computer Literacy		
CIT 101 Computer Essentials	3	
Life Skills		
SKL 101 College Orientation	1	
Electives		
Electives (100-level or above)	19-21	
Total credits required for the AA Degree	64	

Bachelor of General Studies University of Missouri		
Major Requirements	Hours	
Component I	15	
Transfer students may construct one component solely with courses taken at MACC if the courses are in the same field of study.		
Component II	15	
Component III	15	
A&S Foundation (Depth of Study)		
One A&S course at the 2000-level	3	
Capstone		
One 3000-level capstone course. This course can also be used for Component II or III.	3	
Electives	•	
Free electives (additional courses needed to reach the 120 hours required for graduation)	7-25	
Writing Intensive		
One 3000-level writing intensive is required. This course may be used for other degree requirements.		
Upper Level Coursework		
30 hours from the areas above must be 3000 higher.	)-level or	
Minimum credits required for the BGS	120	

#### **TERMS OF AGREEMENT:**

This agreement is made and entered into in the academic year 2011-2012 and remains in force unless changed in writing by mutual agreement of both parties. The agreement may be amended at any time with the approval of both parties and is subject to regular review to assure currency with the respective degree requirements. Should either party desire to discontinue this agreement, advance notification of two years will be required.

## **SIGNATURES:**

The Moberly Area Community College of Moberly, Missouri and University of Missouri enter into this program articulation agreement leading from the Associate in Arts with a designated component area to the Bachelor of General Studies by the affixing of signatures of the chief executive officers of both institutions.

Michael J. O'Brien Ph.D. Dean, College of Arts and Science University of Missouri	Date
Brady J. Deaton, Ph.D. Chancellor University of Missouri	Date
Evelyn E. Jorgenson, Ph.D. President Moberly Area Community College	Date
Moberly, Missouri	