

The College of General Studies and the Community College of Allegheny County

Articulation Agreement

Background

The College of General Studies (CGS) and the Community College of Allegheny County (CCAC) have a shared goal in providing higher education to adults and working students in our region. For many of these students who wish to pursue bachelor's degrees, CCAC serves as the provider of choice for general education requirements. While CGS is one of several regional institutions that can offer degree completion options for these students, the College has a number of unique attributes: first and foremost, it is a part of a major research university offering a breadth and scope of subject matter unequaled by other schools in the region; second, CGS has dedicated a wide range of resources to adult student services and support activities, and third, the College offers a blend of distributed learning opportunities attractive to working people. With these characteristics in mind, CGS is seeking to forge a sustainable, far-reaching articulation agreement with CCAC. In furtherance of this objective:

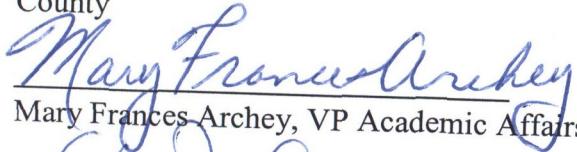
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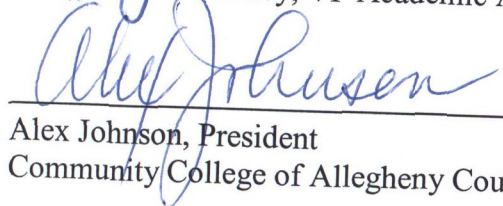
1. **Admission.** Students who intend to pursue a CGS major should complete 60 credits of general education requirements and meet the College of General Studies admissions guidelines. In addition, students who have been in continuous study since high school must meet the prevailing transfer QPA (3.0) requirement.
2. **Orientation.** Students who participate in this initiative will have a special orientation during their last CCAC semester that will introduce them to the University of Pittsburgh curriculum, and the policies and procedures of the College of General Studies. The goal of this orientation will be to facilitate their transition to the University of Pittsburgh.
3. **Scholarship.** All students who are a part of this initiative and apply to the College of General Studies for the Fall Term by May 1st and who have a minimum QPA of a 3.0 will be considered for \$1,000 scholarships. All awards will be based solely on academic merit. All awards will be one-year scholarships and require that students register in CGS for a minimum of 6 credits.

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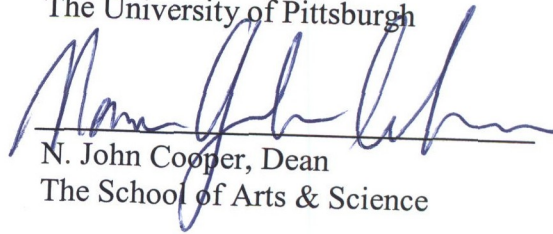
1. **Recruitment.** Where appropriate, CGS and CCAC will participate in recruitment efforts to solicit student enrollment through this program articulation.
2. **Oversight.** Senior representatives from CGS and CCAC will meet at least once per year to discuss issues of common interest related to this agreement.

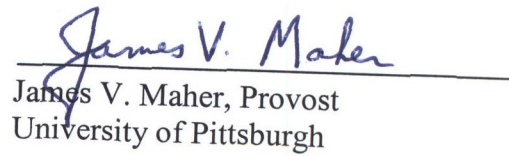
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