

Alliance Agreement

This Alliance Agreement (“Agreement”) is made this 21st day of September 2010 (“the Effective Date”) by and between the University of Maryland University College (“UMUC”) and Edmonds Community College (“EDCC” who together with UMUC are collectively referred to as the “Institutions”).

I. Introduction

a. UMUC is an accredited institution of higher education located in Adelphi, Maryland and providing its academic courses and programs in Maryland and through distance delivery. UMUC offers four-year undergraduate and graduate programs and is accredited by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. UMUC is a constituent institution of the University System of Maryland, an agency of the State of Maryland.

b. EDCC is a regionally accredited community college located in Lynwood, Washington and providing its academic courses and programs in Washington and through distance delivery. EDCC offers two-year associate degrees and certificate programs and is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. EDCC is a constituent institution of Washington State Community and Technical Colleges,

c. The Institutions recognize the programs and courses offered by the other and desire to establish their understanding regarding the transfer and applicability of credits from one institution to the other. The Institutions further desire to allow simultaneous admission to EDCC and UMUC. To that end the Institutions enter into this Agreement.

Now therefore, the Institutions agree as follows:

II. Term

a. The term of this Agreement shall commence as of September 21, 2010 , and continue in effect for an initial period of one (1) year and shall automatically renew for successive one (1) year periods.

b. Either party may terminate this Agreement by providing the other ninety (90) days prior written notice. During the notice period the parties may discuss continuation of a formal relationship between them.

c. Provided neither Institution’s programs, courses or graduation requirements have changed materially to the effect that articulation or the transfer of credit is no longer academically appropriate, UMUC shall accept the transfer of EDCC credits and afford the students the status as stated herein on the terms and conditions of this Agreement for those students who, at or before the termination Agreement, have enrolled in UMUC and remained continuously enrolled.

III. Dual Admission and Articulation

a. **Dual Admission.** The Institutions agree to allow simultaneous admission to EDCC and UMUC. UMUC will not promote transfer to UMUC before a student has completed 45 credit hours at EDCC and shall encourage students to continue to attain their associates degrees.

Students enrolled in the Dual Admission Program shall be subject to the laws, regulations, practices and policies in effect at the institution the respective student is attending. UMUC will waive the UMUC admission application fee if student completes the application prior to graduating from EDCC.

The programs offered under the Dual Admission Program are set forth on EXHIBIT 1 (“Articulated Programs”) as modified from time to time in accordance with this Agreement. With respect to students enrolled in the Dual Admission Program, UMUC and EDCC shall abide by the following procedures:

b. **Specific Programs —Acceptance of Degrees.** Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, UMUC shall afford students graduating from EDCC with those degrees identified on EXHIBIT 1 the opportunity to transfer to UMUC into the UMUC programs identified on EXHIBIT 1.

The Articulated Programs and the courses conducted by UMUC within those programs may be modified by UMUC from time to time and by notice to EDCC of amendment to EXHIBIT 1, to substitute appropriate courses and/or Articulated Programs.

c. **Transfer of EDCC Credits to UMUC.** This Paragraph III (c) applies to EDCC degrees, programs and to credits other than those included in the Articulated Programs and credits for EDCC courses if EDCC has not awarded a degree. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, UMUC shall accept transfer of EDCC credits under this Paragraph III (c) up to a maximum of seventy (70) credit hours on the following terms and conditions:

- i.) the grade earned in the course in question is at least a C;
- ii) the student does not take the equivalent course at UMUC; and
- iii) the course in question is not being awarded UMUC credits directly.

d. **Evaluation of Transfer Credits.** UMUC will grant prospective students from EDCC a tentative evaluation of all transfer credits within 1-3 business days. Students who apply to UMUC and submit official transcripts to UMUC will receive an official evaluation of their transfer credits within 5 business days of receipts of all documentation. Evaluations may take slightly longer if courses from EDCC have not been evaluated by UMUC.

e. **Changes in Programs.** Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Institutions retain the right and the authority to make changes in their respective courses, programs and credential requirements that they each may determine to be in their respective best interest. The parties shall give the other reasonable notice of changes in course program and credential requirements that may materially affect the student's status and acceptance of degrees or the transfer of credit as contemplated in this Agreement. Students who are already enrolled in the Dual Admission Program at the time of program or course changes will have the opportunity to choose whether they will follow the new or existing program.

The parties shall meet, at least annually, to review the changes in courses, programs and credential requirements for the purpose of determining whether or if this Agreement should be amended to reflect the courses, programs and credential requirements then in effect.

f. **Scholarships.** UMUC will offer students from EDCC the opportunity to apply for the Community College Transfer Scholarship or other scholarship opportunities as they become available. Students must meet scholarship qualifications for eligibility.

IV. Applicability

a. In order for a student having graduated from EDCC to be afforded status in the Articulated Programs as contemplated in Section 3 or to be afforded transfer credits as contemplated in Section 3, that student must have met UMUC's admission criteria and other applicable requirements for the transfer of Articulated Programs or the transfer of credits as set forth in the then applicable UMUC catalog at the time the student applies for admission to UMUC.

b. UMUC and EDCC agree the status afforded to students as contemplated in this Agreement applies only to the Articulated Programs, courses in the Articulated Programs, transfer of credits and credentials and credential requirements in effect as of the Effective Date, as defined below.

V. Publicity and Promotion

a. During the term of this Agreement, the Institutions shall develop and agree upon a mutually acceptable marketing and student recruitment plan to promote the EDCC-UMUC alliance and inform students of the opportunities available at both institutions under this Agreement. EDCC will provide student directory information for promotion of the alliance. Any and all marketing, promotional or publication materials developed pursuant to this Agreement prepared or developed by one party must be reviewed and approved in writing by the other party prior to use of any such materials. The Institutions agree that UMUC shall be responsible for sending all marketing and promotional materials to students. UMUC shall remain responsible for payment of all postage charges that accrue due to promotional direct mailings.

b. The institutions will discuss methods to publicize the transfer and applicability of transfer credit and to promote enrollment of and other opportunities for EDCC's students and alumni at UMUC.

c. Neither Institution shall use the name or marks of the other party in connection with any product, service, promotion, news release or other publicity, without the prior written consent of the party whose name of likeness may be under consideration.

d. Notices. The Institutions will identify their respective representatives for this Agreement and share contact information from time to time.

VI. General Provisions

a. All notices under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be personally delivered or mailed registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested to the following parties at the designated address or such other address as shall be provided in writing by such party to the other party:

To UMUC, addressed to:
University of Maryland University College
Office of the President
3501 University Blvd East
Adelphi, MD 20783
Attn: Dr. Susan Aldridge

To EDCC, addressed to:
Edmonds Community College
Office of the President
20000 68th Ave W
Lynnwood, WA 98036
Attn: Dr. Jack Oharah

b. This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes any and all prior and/or contemporaneous agreements between the parties, written or oral, with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. This Agreement may not be changed or modified orally, but may only be changed or modified by an agreement in writing signed by both parties.

c. This Agreement shall be construed and governed in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland.

d. Nothing in this Agreement is intended, shall be, or shall be deemed to constitute a partnership or joint venture between the parties. Nothing in this Agreement is intended, shall be, or shall be deemed to create rights or benefits in or to any person or entity other than the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Institutions, by their duly authorized representatives, have entered into this Agreement as of the Effective Date.

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

By: Susan C. Aldridge

Printed Name: Susan C. Aldridge

Title: President

Date: September 21, 2010

EDMONDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

By: Jack Oharah

Printed Name: Jack Oharah

Title: President

Date: September 21, 2010



**Edmonds Community College
Associate of Arts (Template Comparison)**

Refer to UMUC catalog for transfer policies, most current degree requirements, and full course descriptions.

ECC Course or Course Choice	UMUC Placement or Equivalent	Qtr. Credit / Semester Credit	Notes
Communications (10 credits):			
• ENL& 102	• WRTG 101	5/3	• Freshman composition requirement
• ENGL& 101	• EWRT 116TR	5/3	• Second writing requirement
Arts and Humanities (15 credits):			
• COMM 100	• SPCH 100-482	5/3	• Recommended course; fulfills third Communications requirement
• Any course from Humanities distribution list except American Sign Language or Photography		5/3	• First arts/humanities requirement • American Sign Language and Photography may be applied to electives
• Any course from Humanities distribution list		5/3	• Course may be applied to electives, major, or minor
Quantitative or Symbolic Reasoning (5 credits):			
• MATH 140 or 141	• MATH 107	5/3	• Recommended MATH; fulfills Math requirement for all majors
Social and Behavioral Sciences (15 credits):			
• Any History course from Social Sciences distribution list		5/3	• Applied to second arts/humanities and fulfills historical perspective requirement
• Any course from the Social Science distribution list except Business or History		5/3	• First social/behavioral science requirement • Business courses may be applied to electives, major or minor as appropriate • History courses may be applied to arts/humanities, electives, major or minor as appropriate
• Any course from the Social Science distribution list except Business or History		5/3	• Second social/behavioral science requirement (must be different discipline)
Natural Science and Mathematics (15 credits):			
• Any laboratory course from the Natural Sciences and Mathematics distribution list		5/3	• Biological/physical science w/ lab requirement
• Any course from the Natural Sciences and Mathematics distribution list		5/3	• Second biological/physical science requirement
• MATH 146 or MATH 148	• STAT 200	5/3	• Recommended course; fulfills Statistics requirement
HLTH/PE (3 credits):			
• HLTH 100, HLTH 105, or PE		3/2	• May be applied to electives
Specified Electives (12 credits):			
• Any courses from the Specified Elective distribution list		12/9	• May be applied to electives, major, or minor
General Electives (15 credits):			
Electives		15/9	Speak with a UMUC advisor to determine the most appropriate courses for this area.
ECC Credits		90/56	

*No specific course equivalent. Applied as generic category, elective or supplemental
 +Fulfills major content requirement but not upper-level minimum
 ♦ Required courses for major

UMUC Course	Credits	Notes
Additional General Education (10 credits)		
LIBS 150	1	Required GER course
IFSM 201	3	First Computing requirement
IFSM 300	3 UL	Or other 2 nd computing GER
ENGL 391/391X, COMM 393/393X, or COMM 394/394X	3 UL	Upper-level advanced writing GER course
Remaining Courses Needed for UMUC Major (30-38 credits)		
At least half of major and at least 45 credits for degree must be upper level.		
Remaining Courses Needed for UMUC Degree: Minor and/or Electives (6 - 24 credits)		
At least 45 UL credits required in degree		
Electives	UL	Any courses for electives or minor
UMUC Credits: 64		TOTAL: 120 CREDITS
CHECKLIST FOR FULFILLMENT OF DEGREE REQUIREMENTS See catalog for overview of all requirements.		
<input type="checkbox"/> 30 credits at UMUC, including at least half of the major and minor and 15 upper level credits. <input type="checkbox"/> Historical perspective requirement.		
<input type="checkbox"/> 45 upper-level credits, including half the credit for the major and for the minor. <input type="checkbox"/> Maximum of 21 credits vocational-technical coursework.		
<input type="checkbox"/> All required courses <u>and</u> minimum number of credits for major and minor. <input type="checkbox"/> Grade of C or better in all courses for the major and minor.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Prerequisites for major and minor courses, if needed. <input type="checkbox"/> Overall GPA of at least 2.0.		
<input type="checkbox"/> All General Education Requirements. <input type="checkbox"/> At least half the credit for the major earned through graded coursework.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Maximum of 70 credits in transfer from community college. <input type="checkbox"/> Total 120 credits.		

*No specific course equivalent. Applied as generic category, elective or supplemental
 +Fulfills major content requirement but not upper-level minimum
 ◆ Required courses for major

Edmonds Community College
Associate of Science Track 2 (Template Comparison)

Refer to UMUC catalog for transfer policies, most current degree requirements, and full course descriptions.

ECC Course or Course Choice	UMUC Placement or Equivalent	Quarter Credits	Notes
Communications (10 credits):			
• ENL& 102	• WRTG 101	5/3	• Recommended course, fulfills freshman composition requirement
• ENGL& 101	• EWRT 116TR	5/3	• Second writing requirement
Arts and Humanities (5 credits):			
• Any course from Humanities distribution list except American Sign Language or Photography		5/3	• First arts/humanities requirement • American Sign Language and Photography may be applied to electives
Quantitative or Symbolic Reasoning (25 credits):			
• MATH& 151	• MATH 140	5/3	• Fulfills Math requirement for all majors
• MATH& 152	• MATH 141	5/3	• May be applied to electives, major, or minor
• MATH& 153	• MATH 241GT	5/3	• May be applied to electives, major, or minor
• MATH 271	• MATH 241	5/3	• May be applied to electives, major, or minor
• MATH 272	• MATH 240	5/3	• May be applied to electives, major, or minor
Social and Behavioral Sciences (10 credits):			
• Any course from the Social Science distribution list except Business or History		5/3	• First social/behavioral science requirement • Business courses may be applied to electives, major or minor as appropriate • History courses may be applied to arts/humanities, electives, major or minor as appropriate
• Any course from the Social Science distribution list except Business or History		5/3	• Second social/behavioral science requirement (discipline must be different from first)
Natural Science (20 credits):			
• CHEM& 141, 151	• CHEM 100LC and 100LB	5/3	• Biological/physical science w/ lab requirement
• PHYS& 221, 231	• PHYS 100LC and 100LB	5/3	• Second biological/physical science requirement
• PHYS& 222, 232	• PHYS 100LC and 100LB	5/3	• May be applied to electives, major, or minor
• PHYS& 223, 233	• PHYS 100LC and 100LB	5/3	• May be applied to electives, major, or minor
HLTH/PE (3-4 credits):			
• HLTH 100, HLTH 105, or PE		3/2	• May be applied to electives
Specified Electives (13 credits):			
• CS& 131 or CS& 141	• CMIS 102 or CMSC 101	5/3	• Fulfills second computing requirement for most majors
• Any courses from the Specified Elective distribution list		8/6	• May be applied to electives, major, or minor
General Electives (20 credits):			
Electives		20/12	Speak with a UMUC advisor to determine the most appropriate courses for this area
ECC Credits		106/65	

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+Fulfills major content requirement but not upper-level minimum

◆ Required courses for major



UMUC Course	Credits	Notes
Additional General Education (13 credits)		
LIBS 150	1	Required GER course
SPCH 100 or WRTG 390	3	Or other course to fulfill third communications requirement
HIST 142 or HIST 157	3	Or any ARTH or HIST to fulfill second arts/humanities and historical perspective requirement
IFSM 201 or CMST 303	3	First Computing requirement
ENGL 391/391X, COMM 393/393X, or COMM 394/394X	3 UL	Upper-level advanced writing GER course
Remaining Courses Needed for UMUC Major (30-38 credits)		
At least half of major and at least 45 credits for degree must be upper level.		
Remaining Courses Needed for UMUC Degree: Minor and/or Electives (4 - 12 credits)		
At least 45 UL credits required in degree		
Electives	UL	Any courses for electives or minor
UMUC Credits: 55		TOTAL: 120 CREDITS
CHECKLIST FOR FULFILLMENT OF DEGREE REQUIREMENTS See catalog for overview of all requirements.		
<input type="checkbox"/> 30 credits at UMUC, including at least half of the major and minor and 15 upper level credits. <input type="checkbox"/> Historical perspective requirement.		
<input type="checkbox"/> 45 upper-level credits, including half the credit for the major and for the minor. <input type="checkbox"/> Maximum of 21 credits vocational-technical coursework.		
<input type="checkbox"/> All required courses <u>and</u> minimum number of credits for major and minor. <input type="checkbox"/> Grade of C or better in all courses for the major and minor.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Prerequisites for major and minor courses, if needed. <input type="checkbox"/> Overall GPA of at least 2.0.		
<input type="checkbox"/> All General Education Requirements. <input type="checkbox"/> At least half the credit for the major earned through graded coursework.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Maximum of 70 credits in transfer from community college. <input type="checkbox"/> Total 120 credits.		

*No specific course equivalent. Applied as generic category, elective or supplemental

+Fulfills major content requirement but not upper-level minimum

◆ Required courses for major