# ACADEMIC PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN BLUE RIDGE COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE AND

# FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY REGARDING TRANSFER FROM ASSOCIATE OF ARTS IN LIBERAL ARTS TO BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN LIBERAL STUDIES

This Academic Program Articulation Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into as of the date last signed below by and between Blue Ridge Community and Technical College (the "Sending Institution") and Frostburg State University (the "Receiving Institution") (collectively, the "Institutions") to facilitate the transfer of academic credits from Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts, HEGIS code 490100 and CIP code 240101 for the completion of Bachelor of Science in Liberal Studies, HEGIS code 490100 and CIP code 240101.

### A. Qualifying Students

This Agreement pertains to the transfer of "Qualifying Students", i.e., those students who:

- 1. Have successfully completed the program at the Sending Institution;
- 2. Are enrolled in the Sending Institution, in good standing; and
- 3. Are accepted for admission to the Receiving Institution.

### B. Responsibilities of the Institutions

The Institutions agree to implement the transfer of Qualifying Students in accordance with applicable law and the following requirements and protocols:

- 1. A Qualifying Student may transfer from the Sending Institution into the Receiving Institution for the completion of the Program.
- 2. Students may transfer up to 70 credit hours. Only courses in which the student earns a grade of C or better will count toward satisfaction of major requirements. Courses that the Receiving School will accept credits towards completion of the Program include:

Sending Institution Course		Receiving Institution Comparable Course				
Course			Course			
Number	Course Name	Credits	Number	Course Name	Credits	Applied to*
ACCT	Principles of Accounting	3.0	ACCT	Financial Accounting	3.0	Major Core
201			211			or Elective
ACCT	Principles of Accounting	3.0	ACCT	Managerial Accounting	3.0	Major Core
202	II		212			or Elective
ART 103	Intro. to Visual Arts	3.0	ART 100	Art Appreciation	3.0	GEP Group
BIOL	General Biological	4.0	BIOL	General Biology I	4.0	A or E GEP Group
101	Science I	4.0	149	General Blology I	4.0	C C
BIOL	General Biological	4.0	BIOL	General Zoology	4.0	Major or
102	Science II	1.0	160	General Zoology	4.0	General
102			100			Elective
CAS 111	Information Literacy	3.0	COSC	Introduction to	3.0	Tech
		210	100	Computer Science		Fluency
CHEM	General, Organic, and	4.0	CHEM	General Chemistry I	4.0	GEP Group
127	Biochemistry I		201			C
CHEM	General, Organic, and	4.0	CHEM	General Chemistry II	4.0	Major or
128	Biochemistry II		202			General
						Elective
COMM	Nonverbal	3.0	CMST	Lower-level elective	3.0	Major or
201	Communication		195			General
						Elective
COMM	Fundamentals of Speech	3.0	CMST	Intro. to Public	3.0	Major
202			122	Communication		
COMM	Ethical Communication	3.0	CMST	Lower-level elective	3.0	General
203	<u> </u>		195	*	2.0	Elective
COMM 205	Professional Communications	3.0	CMST	Lower-level elective	3.0	General
COMM	Social Media	3.0	195 CMST	Foundations of	3.0	Elective
206	Communication	3.0	215	Strategic	3.0	Major or General
200	Communication		217	Communication		Elective
COMM	Interpersonal	3.0	CMST	Communication and	3.0	Major or
207	Communication in the	5.0	300	Relationships	3.0	General
	Workplace					Elective
COMM	Introduction to	3.0	CMST	Intercultural	3.0	GEP Group
220	Intercultural		350	Communication		F or Major
	Communication					
COMM	Communicating Culture	3.0	CMST	Lower-level elective	3.0	General
221	in Film		195			Elective
COMM	Art and Science of	3.0	CMST	Presentational	3.0	Major or
230	Persuasion		322	Communication		General
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ECON	Contemporary Economics	3.0	ECON	Basic Economics	3.0	GEP Group
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205	Principles of Macroeconomics	3.0	ECON 201	Principles of Economics (Macro)	3.0	GEP Group
ECON	Principles of	3.0	ECON	Principles of	3.0	D Major Core
206	Microeconomics	3.0	202	Economics (Micro)	3.0	or General
200	MICIOCCOMORMICS		202	Leonomics (Micro)		Elective
ENGL	Written English I	3.0	ENGL	First-Year Composition	3.0	GEP Core
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ENGL	Writing for the Arts and	3.0	ENGL	Lower-level elective	3.0	Major Core
102	Humanities		195			or General
			¥			Elective

ENGL 110	Technical Writing and Communication	3.0	ENGL 195	Lower-level elective	3.0	General Elective
ENGL 201	Intro. to Literary Study	3.0	ENGL 150	Introduction to Literature	3.0	GEP Group B
ENGL 204	Survey of American Lit.	3.0	ENGL 261	Literature of the U.S.: Pre-Colonial to Present	3.0	Major Core or General Elective
ENGL 208	Survey of World Lit.	3.0	MDFL 211	Intro. to World Literature I	3.0	Major Core or General Elective
ENGL 212	Shakespeare	3.0	ENGL 340	Shakespeare	3.0	Major Core or General Elective
ENGL 215	Art of Literature	3.0	ENGL 195	Lower-level elective	3.0	Major or General Elective
ENGL 270	Traditional Grammar	3.0	ENGL 215	Grammar for Writing	3.0	Major or General Elective
FREN 101	French I	3.0	FREN 101	Basic Elements of French I	3.0	GEP Group B
FREN 102	French II	3.0	FREN 102	Basic Elements of French II	3.0	Major Core or General Elective
GEOL 101	Geological Sciences	4.0	GEOG 195	Lower-level elective	3.0	Major Core or General Elective
GRMN 101	German I	3.0	MDFL 195	Lower-level elective	3.0	Major Core or General Elective
GRMN 102	German II	3.0	MDFL 195	Lower-level elective	3.0	Major or General Elective
GSPE 210	Fitness for Life	3.0	HEED 100	Personal Wellness	3.0	Major or General Elective
HIST 101	World History to 1500	3.0	HIST 113	World History to 1500	3.0	Major
HIST 102	World History Since 1500	3.0	HIST 114	World History, 1500- 1900	3.0	Major
HIST 201	U.S. History to 1877	3.0	HIST 103	History of the U.S. to 1876	3.0	Major or General Elective
HIST 202	U.S. History Since 1877	3.0	HIST 104	History of the U.S., 1876-Present	3.0	Major or General Elective
HIST 206	American Women's History	3.0	HIST 434	Women in the U.S.	3.0	Major or General Elective
HIST 207	African American History	3.0	HIST 195	Lower-level elective	3.0	Major or General Elective
HIST 210	WV and Appalachian History	3.0	HIST 195	Lower-level elective	3.0	Major or General Elective

MATH	Intro. to Math	3.0	MATH	Intro. to Mathematical	3.0	GEP Core
101			104	Problem Solving		
MATH 105	Algebra	3.0	MATH 119	College Algebra	3.0	GEP Core
MATH 108	Pre-Calculus	4.0	MATH 120	Pre-Calculus	3.0	GEP Core
MATH 114	Elementary Probability and Statistics	3.0	MATH 109	Elements of Probability and Statistics	3.0	GEP Core
MATH 207	Calculus I	4.0	MATH 236	Calculus I	4.0	GEP Core
MUSC 111	Intro. to Music	3.0	MUSC 110	Music Appreciation	3.0	GEP Group A or E
PHYS 103	General Physical Science I	4.0	PHSC 203	Physical Science	4.0	GEP Group C
PHYS 104	General Physical Science II	4.0	PHSC 100 and 101	Cosmic Concepts and Measurement	4.0	GEP Group C
PSCI 100	Introduction to Political Ideology	3.0	POSC 370	Intro. to Political Thought	3.0	Major or General Elective
PSCI 101	American Federal Government	3.0	POSC 110	Intro. to American Politics	3.0	GEP Group D
PSCI 102	State and Local Government	3.0	POSC 321	American State and Local Politics	3.0	Major or General Elective
PSYC 203	Intro. Psychology	3.0	PSYC 150	General Psychology	3.0	Major and GEP Group D
SOCI 203	General Sociology	3.0	SOCI 100	Intro. to Sociology	3.0	Major and GEP Group D
SPAN 101	Spanish I	3.0	SPAN 101	Basic Elements of Spanish I	3.0	GEP Group B
SPAN 102	Spanish II	3.0	SPAN 102	Basic Elements of Spanish II	3.0	General Elective
THEA 101	Introduction to Theatre	3.0	THEA 106	Intro. to Theatre	3.0	GEP Group A

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates if course is applied to General Education, Program/Major requirements, or General Elective at Frostburg.

- 3. Only courses in which a student earns a C or better will count toward satisfaction of major requirements.
- 4. The Receiving Institution shall designate, and shall provide to the Sending Institution, the contact information for a staff person at the Receiving Institution who is responsible for the oversight of the transfer of Qualifying Students. The Sending Institution shall designate, and shall provide to the Receiving Institution, the contact information for a staff person at the Sending Institution who is responsible for the oversight of the transfer of Qualifying Students.

	Sending Institution	Receiving Institution
Name of staff person responsible for oversight	Mary Pearce	Natalie Wagoner
Title of staff person	Registrar	Director of Admissions
Email address	registrar@blueridgectc.edu	nmwagoner@frostburg.edu
Telephone Number	304-260-4380	301-687-4406

Should the staff person or position change, the Institution will promptly provide new contact information to the other Institution and inform the Maryland Higher Education Commission of the change.

#### Additional contact information:

	Sending Institution	Receiving Institution
Name of person	Billie Unger	Linda Steele
Title of person	Professor and Liberal Arts	Liberal Studies Program
•	Program Coordinator	Coordinator
Email address	bunger@blueridgectc.edu	lsteele@frostburg.edu
Telephone Number	202-735-1247	301-687-4137

- 5. If the Qualifying Student is using federal Title 38 VA Education Benefits (GI Bill® Education Benefits), the Institutions shall adhere to all applicable U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' regulations, including the regulations governing the awarding prior credit, as regulated under Title 38, Code of Federal Regulations, Sections 21.4253(d)(3) and 21.4254(c)(4).
- 6. Each Institution shall advise students regarding transfer opportunities under this Agreement, and shall advise students of financial aid opportunities and implications associated with the transfer.
- 7. Should either Institution make changes to program requirements, the institution will inform the other Institution immediately. If updates to this Agreement are necessary, the Institutions will amend this Agreement and forward the amended Agreement to the Maryland Higher Education Commission.
- 8. Qualifying Students who have completed an Associate Degree at the Sending Institution are guaranteed admission to the Receiving Institution.

#### C. Term and Termination

- 1. This Agreement shall be effective on the date that last signed by the appropriate and authorized representatives of each Institution ("Effective Date") and shall remain in effect for one (1) year.
- 2. This Agreement shall automatically renew for one (1) year terms, unless terminated as set forth below.

- 3. Either Institution may, at its sole discretion, terminate this Agreement upon delivering sixty (60) days' written notice to the other Institution and the Maryland Higher Education Commission.
- 4. In the event of termination by either Institution, transfer credits accepted by the Receiving Institution prior to the termination date for Qualifying Students will not be impacted and Qualifying Students currently enrolled in the Program at the time of termination shall be permitted to complete the Program as described herein.
- 5. Both Institutions agree to meet once every year to review the terms of this Agreement.

#### D. Amendment

- 1. This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding and agreement of the Institutions with respect to their rights and obligations in carrying out the terms of the Agreement, and supersedes any prior or contemporaneous agreements or understandings.
- 2. This Agreement may be modified only by written amendment executed by both Institutions.

#### E. Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same agreement. This Agreement may be executed electronically. This Agreement may be electronically or digitally signed or scanned, and any electronic or digital signatures appearing on this Agreement are the same as handwritten signatures for the purposes of validity, enforceability, and admissibility, upon exchange of signatures pages.

#### F. Notice of Agreement

- 1. The Institutions agree to provide a copy of this Agreement, with any amendments, to the Maryland Higher Education Commission.
- 2. The Institutions agree to provide copies of this Agreement to all relevant individuals and departments of the Institutions, including but not limited to students, academic department chairs participating in the transfer, offices of the president, registrar's offices, and financial aid offices.

# G. No Third-Party Beneficiaries

There are no third-party beneficiaries to this Agreement.

# H. Representations and Warranties of the Parties

Both Institutions represent and warrant that the following shall be true and correct as of the Effective Date of this Agreement, and shall continue to be true and correct during the term of this Agreement:

- 1. The Institutions are and shall remain in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local statutes, laws, ordinances, and regulations relating to this Agreement, as amended from time to time.
- 2. Each Institution has taken all action necessary for the approval and execution of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Institutions have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives.

Blue Ridge Community and Fechnical College	Frostburg State University
By: Belland Peter G. Checkovich	By: Ronald Nowaczyk
President <u>5/9/2023</u> Date	President
	Traki L. Taylor Provost and Vice President for Academic
	Affairs  Avgvs 19, 2023  Date  Date
	Michael Mathias Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences
	5/9/23

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Blue Ridge lor of Science in Liberal Studies (Frostburg State University)

Suggested Plan of Study

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Blue Ridge Community and Technical College	Hours	FSU Equivalents	Hours
	Year One, 1	st Semester	
ART 103 or ENGL 215 or MUSC 111 or THEA 101	3	ART 100 or ENGL 150 or MUSC 110 or THEA 106	3
ENGL 101	3	ENGL 101	3
COMM 202	3	CMST 122	3
BIOL 101 or CHEM 127 or PHYS 103	4	BIOL 149 or CHEM 201 or PHSC 203	4
Free Elective	3		_
TOTAL			
	Year One, 2	nd Semester	
ENGL 102	3	ENGL 195	3
BIOL 102 or CHEM 128 or GEOL 101 or PHYS 104	4	BIOL 160 or CHEM 202 or GEOG 195 or PHSC 100 and 101	4
HIST 101	3	HIST 113	3
MATH 101 or MATH 105 or MATH 108 or MATH 114	3	MATH 104 or 119 or MATH 120 or MATH 109	3
Restricted Elective	3		
TOTAL			
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ENGL 204 or ENGL 208	3	ENGL 261 or MDFL 211	3
HIST 102	3	HIST 114	3
PSYC 203 or SOCI 203	3	PSYC 150 or SOCI 100	3
Restricted Elective	6		
TOTAL			
	Year Two, 2	<sup>nd</sup> Semester	
PSCI 100 or PSCI 101 or PSCI 102	3	POSC 370 or POSC 110 or POSC 321	
Restricted Electives	7		
Free Electives	3		
TOTAL	Parks the Marks and Republication of the		
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Year Three, 1st Semester		Year Three, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	
Liberal Studies Core Courses	6	ENGL 308/310/330/336/338/339	3
Liberal Studies Focus Area Courses*	9	Liberal Studies Core Courses	6

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		Liberal Studies Focus Area Courses	6
TOTAL	15		15
Year Four, 1st Semester		Year Four, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	
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Liberal Studies Focus Area Courses*	9	Liberal Studies Focus Area Courses*	6
Liberal Studies Core Courses	6	Capstone**	3
		LBST 450	1
	x 2	Free Electives	6
TOTAL	15		16

<sup>\*</sup>Students select a minor or focus area and complete 30 credits within that chosen area (at least half must be 300-400 level courses).

<sup>\*\*</sup>Internship, independent study research, or seminar course in the focus area.