



Articulation Agreement
Saint Francis University, Francis Worldwide
and
Allegany College of Maryland

I. PURPOSE

Saint Francis University (SFU), Francis Worldwide (FWW), Professional, Adult and Continuing Education, and Allegany College of Maryland, in academic cooperation and in order to facilitate the transfer of graduates of Allegany College of Maryland programs to Francis Worldwide, the online school within Saint Francis University, hereby do enter into an academic articulation agreement. Successful implementation of the Agreement is dependent upon communication of its content to all involved participants and the assumption of responsibility by both institutions for such communications.

II. TRANSFER PATHWAY(S)

1. Saint Francis University is an accredited university, including the School known as FWW, all academic course work in which an Allegany College of Maryland student has earned a grade of "C" or higher is fully transferable based on course equivalents. Up to 98 credits *MAY* be accepted in transfer toward an approved bachelor degree program available online through FWW.
2. Based on the course equivalency, SFU will transfer credits from Allegany College of Maryland based on the specific paradigms outlined to their corresponding SFU-FWW bachelor's degrees. The transfer of credits will be as of the date of the program paradigms attached to this agreement and signed by all parties. Transfer credits will be accepted from the ACM programs stated below. Each paradigm lists equivalent courses for transfer as agreed by both parties (dated and signed February 2021-BZ&CL). Any other programs to be considered for transfer credit will be evaluated on a case by case basis. Courses not specified in the paradigms will need to be submitted for approval prior to transferring.
 - A.S. Biology AOC – B.S. Healthcare Studies
 - A.A.S. Medical Assistant – B.S. Healthcare Studies
 - A.A.S. Medical Laboratory Technician – B.S. Healthcare Studies
 - A.A.S. Respiratory Therapist – B.S. Healthcare Studies
 - A.A.S. Dental Hygiene – B.S. Healthcare Studies
 - A.S. Sociology AOC – B.S. Behavioral Science
 - A.A.S. Human Service Associate – B.S. Behavioral Science
 - A.S. Social Work AOC – B.S. Behavioral Science
 - A.A.S. Criminal Justice-Transfer – B.S. Criminal Justice
 - A.S. Psychology AOC – B.S. Behavioral Science
 - A.S. Business Accounting AOC – B.S. Accounting

- A.S. Business Accounting AOC – B.S. Organizational Leadership
 - A.S. Business Administration – B.S. Organizational Leadership
 - A.S. Business Economics AOC – B.S. Organizational Leadership
 - A.A.S. Business Management – B.S. Management
 - A.A.S. Business Management – B.S. Organizational Leadership
3. Any students enrolling at SFU through FWW MAY transfer up to 98 credit hours for a bachelor's from CLEP, DANTES and Excelsior, military training (based upon a transcript from the American Council on Education (ACE), College Credit Recommendation Service or Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) transcript) and ACE or National College Credit Recommendation Service (NCCRS) credits - providing students meet residency requirements. Transfer credit is awarded based on degree program requirements. Residency requirements equate to 30 credit hours or 10 classes. Official documentation is required for consideration. Students transferring to traditional SFU programs may be eligible to transfer only 64 credits per University transfer credit policy.

III. Terms

1. This agreement provides Allegany College of Maryland eligible students and employees a twenty-five (25%) percent tuition reduction in courses matriculated through FWW, applicable as of the date this Agreement is fully executed by the parties below. Students and employees must identify as Allegany College of Maryland students or employees at the time of application. This discount does not apply to traditional Saint Francis University courses and programs.
2. SFU may change its tuition rates at any time at its sole discretion and the reduction will be calculated based on the current tuition in effect for the applicable academic term for the enrolled program. Eligible employees and alumni shall not be entitled to any other reduction and are subject to all other admission and continuation requirements as set forth in the respective SFU policies and catalogs.
3. This Agreement is effective as of the date of the fully executed document, and shall continue until terminated. Both parties must approve amendments to the Agreement in writing. Either party may terminate the Agreement without cause upon 90 days written notice to the other party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, either party may terminate the Agreement immediately in the event that participation under the Agreement may give rise to a violation of any requirement of federal or state law or regulation or the requirements of any accrediting agency having jurisdiction.
4. Admission criteria and academic requirements will be subject to the applicable academic catalog accessed through francis.edu at the time of the students' admission. Students who

have begun their program of study or students in the process of enrolling prior to the effective date will be grandfathered in to continue receiving the discount offered in this Agreement until such time such students complete or discontinue enrollment in their program.

5. Transferability of third-party course work will be evaluated on a case by case basis.
6. This Articulation Agreement is based on the current curriculum of both educational institutions. Each institution is responsible for notifying the other of any substantive changes to the curriculum. This agreement shall be reviewed by both institutions every three years. Curriculum may be updated and added for the term of this agreement as long as both parties agree to the terms in this agreement at the time the curriculum is changed. By signing and dating the curriculum document, the documents will hereby be made part of this agreement.
7. The parties grant to each other a non-exclusive, non-transferable license to use each other's trademarks and service marks in furtherance of the articulation coordination detailed herein or in a manner solely for the purpose of identifying and communicating the existence of the relationship to Allegany College of Maryland students and alumni. Use of trademarks, service marks and logos will comply with use policies of the originating institution. The parties shall discontinue the use of the licensed marks and return any and all files and materials containing the licensed marks supplied by the owner at termination or expiration of the Agreement. Neither party grants to the other any interest in the other party's trademarks. Should either originating institution request, in writing, that a particular use of the originating institution's trademarks and/or service marks be discontinued, the non-originating institution shall cease and desist such use of the trademarks and/or service marks.
8. Allegany College of Maryland agrees to notify students of transfer opportunities to SFU - FWW, to collaborate with SFU - FWW on other forms of transfer communication and to host Francis Worldwide representatives on campus for recruitment activities during the academic school year.
9. The parties hereto will have the relationship of independent contractors for all purposes. Each will have complete control over its own performance and the details for accomplishing its own obligations under this Agreement. In no event will the agents, representatives or employees of one party be deemed to be agents, representatives or employees of the other.
10. This Agreement may be executed by a duly authorized representative of each party, either by electronic or facsimile transmission, each of which will be considered an original.



IV. CONTACTS FOR COORDINATION:

All notices and other communications required hereunder by either party to the other shall be in writing, delivered personally, electronically with validation of receipt, by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, or by overnight courier, and shall be deemed to have been duly given when delivered personally or received when using overnight courier or three business days after being deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

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or to such other persons or places as either party may designate by written notice to the other.

APPROVALS:

Karan Powell
Karan Powell (Jun 3, 2021 16:54 EDT)

Signature: Cynthia S. Bambara

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