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ACADEMIC ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

Human Services Program at Berkshire Community College, Pittsfield, MA

And

Social Work Program at Elms College, Chicopee, MA and Lee Middle and High School, Lee, MA

The above institutions hereby enter into an agreement for the transfer of Berkshire Community College human service graduates into the Elms College social work programs in Chicopee and Lee, MA.

Objectives of this Agreement:

1. To attract qualified students from Berkshire Community College to full-time, part-time, Weekend and off-site degree completion social work programs at Elms College.
2. To promote a seamless transition for students from Berkshire Community College's Human Services A.S. program to part-time or full-time status in the Elms College baccalaureate degree program in social work with sites in Chicopee and Lee, MA: Day Division (Chicopee); Weekend College (Chicopee); and, Elms in the Berkshires (Lee).
3. To promote a seamless transition for any associate's degree graduate from Berkshire Community College who meets the entry requirements and chooses to enroll in the Elms College baccalaureate degree program in social work with sites in Chicopee and Lee, MA: Day Division (Chicopee); Weekend College (Chicopee); and, Elms in the Berkshires (Lee).
4. To provide informational materials and guidelines to Berkshire Community College students considering enrollment in the Elms College baccalaureate degree program in social work in Chicopee and Lee, MA.

Stipulations of this Agreement:

1. This articulation agreement will be in effect for five years and will be renewable for another five years by consent of Berkshire Community College and Elms College. This articulation agreement can be reviewed within 90 days after written notice by either party. Elms College will ensure that students are allowed to complete the social work Bachelor's Degree Completion Program in Lee, MA within two years from the date the student begins the

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onsite program. This articulation agreement will be in force, and should be considered the entire agreement, until superseded by a formal contract between Elms College and Berkshire Community College that explicitly replaces this agreement.

2. This agreement will apply to Berkshire Community College transfer students who have completed the associate's degree. At the time of application, students must have a minimum grade point average of 2.5.
3. Transfer students designated above will hold third year status in the Elms College baccalaureate degree programs in social work in Chicopee and Lee, MA based on the credits accepted in transfer.
4. Transfer students to the day or Weekend College social work programs at Elms College in Chicopee, MA transfer up to 75 credits from Berkshire Community College towards a bachelor's degree.
5. Transfer students to the Elms College social work degree completion program at Lee Middle and High School transfer up to 78 credits from Berkshire Community College towards a bachelor's degree. Berkshire Community College students satisfactorily complete Elms College core requirements and social work program requirements in place at the time of admission.

Review and Revision Procedures:

1. Review of this agreement shall take place at least every two years or as needed from the date of the signed agreement. The program director of the Elms College social work program and the program advisor for the Berkshire Community College human services A.S. program will be responsible for the review.
2. At the request of either party, a review of the contents or implementation of this agreement will be conducted by the programs.
3. The Elms College social work program director and the program advisor for the Berkshire Community College human services A.S. program may make changes in the attached course sequence and list of courses accepted for Elms transfer credit without renegotiating the entire agreement.

Assistance Provisions:

1. Berkshire Community College and Elms College will list the articulation agreement on their websites and in appropriate print documents at their respective institutions.

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2. Berkshire Community College and Elms College will collaborate in encouraging qualified students to participate in the social work programs in Chicopee and Lee by providing the necessary assistance and supports to assure a seamless transition between the two institutions.

Mutual Responsibilities:

1. The Berkshire Community College human services program advisor will advise prospective transfer students according to the attached course sequence and list of courses accepted for Elms College transfer credit, which assures maximum transfer of credits that meet the core requirements of Elms College and social work program requirements.
2. The Berkshire Community College and Elms College transfer counselors and the Elms College Assistant Director of Off-campus Programs or her designee will advise transfer applicants in compiling the required credentials for transfer to Elms College social work programs.
3. Transfer applicants from Berkshire Community College applying under this agreement shall be eligible for Elms College financial aid and housing consideration as appropriate to the selected social work program option.
4. The final acceptance of part-time and degree completion applicants comes from the Associate Academic Dean for Graduate Studies and Continuing Education at Elms College. The final acceptance of full-time applicants to the on-campus social work program comes from the Director of Admissions at Elms College.

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BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE COURSE SEQUENCE FOR TRANSFER TO ELMS COLLEGE

BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FIRST SEMESTER			
Course Title and Number	Course Description	Credits	Equivalent at Elms
ENG 101	English Composition	3	ENG 101 Rhetoric
HSV 135	Introduction to Community Resources	3	
PSY 107	Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY 101 General Psychology
SOC 105	Introduction to Sociology	3	SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology
COM	Communication	3	
		TOTAL CREDITS	
		15	
BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SECOND SEMESTER			
Course Title and Number	Course Description	Credits	Equivalent at Elms
ENG 102	English Composition	3	Satisfies literature core requirement at Elms.
HSV 111	Human Services Methods	3	
HSV 151	Field Work Seminar I	1	
HSV 161	Field Work Practicum I	2	

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PSY 204	Human Growth and Development	3	SWK 204 Human Behavior in the Social Environment
SOC 216	Racial and Ethnic Minorities	3	SOC 316 Racial and Ethnic Groups
		TOTAL CREDITS	
		15	
BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE THIRD SEMESTER			
Course Title and Number	Course Description	Credits	Equivalent at Elms
HSV 252	Field Work Seminar II	1	
HSV 262	Field Work Practicum II	3	
PSY 208	Interviewing and Counseling	3	
MAT 101	Applied Contemporary Mathematics	3	This course satisfies the Elms core math requirement.
	OR		
MAT 123	Elementary Statistics	3	MAT 109 Statistics (Satisfies core math requirement.)
General Electives HIS 117 OR HIS 118	US History to 1877 OR US History Since 1865	6	HIS 105 Early American History HIS 106 Modern American History

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Any fine arts, music or theatre course designated with HU			Core fine or performing arts course
Any literature or creative writing course			Core literature
Any philosophy course			Core philosophy
ECO 212	Principles of Macroeconomics		ECN 211 Economics I
HIS 225	Comparative Religions		REL 302 World Religions
		TOTAL CREDITS 16	
BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOURTH SEMESTER			
Course Title and Number	Course Description	Credits	Equivalent at Elms
HSV 280	Group and Professional Development	3	SWK 307 Social Group Work
BIO 105	Fundamentals of Biology	4	BIO 105 Human Applications
General Education Electives (See above.) PSY 226	Abnormal Psychology	9	SWK 303 Mental Health & Mental Illness
		TOTAL CREDITS 16	

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**ELMS COLLEGE SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM
FULL-TIME TRANSFER STUDENTS WITH AN ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE
CHICOPEE CAMPUS**

Elms First Semester (Fall)				
SWK 101 Introduction to Social Work (3)	SWK 204 Human Behavior in the Social Environment I (3)	SWK 301 Social Welfare Policy (3)	SWK 302 Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families (3)	SWK 307 Social Group Work (3)
Elms Second Semester (Spring)				
SWK 205 Human Behavior in the Social Environment II (3)	SWK 303 Mental Health and Mental Illness (3)	SWK 315 Social Work Practice with Communities (3)	SWK 310 Social Work Research (3)	PSY 202 Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences (3)
Elms Third Semester (Fall)				
SWK 402 Advanced Social Work Practice with Individuals, Families, and Communities (3)		SWK 401 Field Practicum (12)		
Elms Fourth Semester (Spring)				
SWK 404 Survey of Social Work Issues (3)	SOC 316 Racial and Ethnic Groups (3)	Religion Course (3)	Elective (3)	Elective (3)

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EQUIVALENT COURSES	
BERKSHIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	ELMS COLLEGE
BIO 105 Fundamentals of Biology	BIO 105 Human Applications
PSY 107 Introduction to Psychology	PSY 101 General Psychology
SOC 105 Introduction to Sociology	SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology
PSY 204 Human Growth and Development	SWK 204 Human Behavior in the Social Environment
HSV 280 Group and Professional Development	SWK 307 Social Group Work
SOC 216 Racial and Ethnic Minorities	SOC 316 Racial and Ethnic Groups
MAT 101 Applied Contemporary Mathematics	Satisfies the core math requirement at Elms
PSY 226 Abnormal Psychology	SWK 303 Mental Health & Mental Illness
HIS 225 Comparative Religions	REL 302 World Religions
ECO 212 Principles of Macroeconomics	ECN 211 Economics I
HIS 117 or HIS 118 US History to 1877 OR US History Since 1865	HIS 105 Early American History
Any philosophy course	Satisfies core philosophy requirement at Elms
Any fine arts, music or theatre course designated with prefix HU	Satisfies core fine or performing arts course requirement at Elms