

**PROGRAM-TO-PROGRAM ARTICULATION AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
EAST STROUDSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
AND  
COUNTY COLLEGE OF MORRIS**

**AS in Biology to BS in Biology**

**WHEREAS**, East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania, located at 200 Prospect Street, East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, 18301, an educational institution of the State System of Higher Education, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, (hereinafter called "ESU"), offers a Bachelor of Science in Biology and

**WHEREAS** County College of Morris, located at 214 Center Grove Road, Randolph, NJ 07869 (hereinafter "CCM"), offers an AS Degree in Biology; and

**WHEREAS**, ESU and CCM desire to facilitate the transfer of students from an AS Degree in Biology at CCM to the Bachelor of Science in Biology program at ESU and avoid duplication of degree requirements where possible; and

**WHEREAS**, subject to the terms of this Agreement, a student who has earned the AS Degree in Biology at CCM shall be guaranteed admission to ESU.

**NOW THEREFORE**, ESU and CCM officially confirm the following terms of this Agreement:

a. **Minimum Qualifications.** In addition to the other requirements set forth in this Agreement, to be eligible for transfer from CCM to ESU under this Agreement, a student must:

- 1) Graduate from CCM with a grade point average ("GPA") of 2.25 (on a 4.0 scale);
- 2) Graduate from CCM with a minimum Major GPA of 2.25(4.0 scale);
- 3) Enroll at ESU within one year of graduation from CCM;
- 4) Not attend another institution of higher education between the time they graduate from CCM and enroll at ESU;
- 5) Satisfy all conditions stated in this Agreement and all other regular ESU admission requirements.

b. **Admission of Transfer Student.** The student must submit a completed application for admission, an official final CCM transcript, indicating receipt of the AS Degree in Biology directly to the ESU Office of Admission. Students are encouraged to apply well before the application deadline dates. (Please refer to the University's most recent application for the applicable fall and spring transfer application deadline dates).

c. **Once Admitted to ESU:** Upon admission to ESU, the student must submit appropriate advanced deposits that will be credited towards the first semester fees/tuition. The student will follow the curriculum requirements in effect at ESU at the time of the student's enrollment into ESU's Biology program and will thereafter comply with any changes to the curriculum.

d. **ESU Student Registration:** After acceptance into ESU, the student must register for courses in accordance with ESU's procedures as directed in the acceptance letter.

e. **Transfer Credits.** ESU will accept a total up to 64-65 credits from CCM which include credits in general education/pre-requisite, co-requisite and free electives, and major credits, all with grades of

“C” or better. The current accepted credits, as of the date of this Agreement, are detailed in Exhibit “A”, attached hereto.

f. **ESU Transfer Advising.** Using “Exhibit A” as a guide, the ESU Department of Biology Chairperson and the Transfer Articulation Center will ensure that all transfer course equivalencies listed in “Exhibit A” are applied towards the student’s ESU transcript.

g. **University Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Degree:** Students are expected to complete all stated University Graduation Requirements and all other Pre-Requisite, and Major Field requirements as described in ESU’s catalog and Departmental policies in order to receive the Bachelor of Science in Biology Degree.

h. **Promote and Publicize:** CCM agrees to publicize this Agreement to prospective students in admissions literature and as part of regular student recruitment, and to inform qualified students matriculating to CCM of the opportunity for admission to ESU under the terms of this Agreement.

i. **CCM Advisement:** CCM agrees to advise CCM students regarding which courses will transfer under this Agreement for the Biology major as well as General Education requirements that include, but are not limited to, coursework in the Humanities, Sciences, and Social Sciences.

j. **Coordination of Agreement:** Each institution will designate a representative who will coordinate the terms of this Agreement between the two institutions.

k. **Review of Agreement:** Both ESU and CCM will review this Agreement annually and make any changes upon mutual consent. Each will keep the other informed of any other changes of policy or curricula that affect students transferring under the terms of this Agreement.

**Mutual Terms and Conditions:**

**1) Term of Agreement:** The term of this Agreement will be for five (5) years from the date of final execution by the parties and their respective legal counsel. This agreement may not exceed a period of five (5) years from the date of final execution.

**2) Termination of Agreement:** Either institution may terminate this Agreement for any reason with ninety (90) days notice. However, students who are in their final semester at CCM and have already been accepted into ESU's Biology Program will be afforded the opportunity to enter ESU's Bachelor of Science in Biology Program in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

**3) Nondiscrimination:** The parties agree to continue their respective policies of nondiscrimination based on Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in regard to sex, age, race, color, creed, national origin, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and other applicable laws, including the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), as well as the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

**4) Interpretation of the Agreement:** The laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall govern the interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement.

**5) Modification of Agreement:** This Agreement shall only be modified in writing with the same formality as the original Agreement.

**6) Relationship of Parties:** The relationship between the parties to this Agreement to each other is that of independent contractors and shall not be construed to constitute a partnership, joint venture or any other relationship, other than that of independent contractors.

**7) Liability:** Neither of the parties shall assume any liabilities to each other. As to liability to each other for death to persons, or damages to property, the parties do not waive any defense as a result of entering into this Agreement. This provision shall not be construed to limit the Commonwealth's rights, claims or defenses, which arise as a matter of law pursuant to any provisions of this Agreement. This provision shall not be construed to limit the sovereign immunity of the Commonwealth or of the State System of Higher Education or the University.


**8) This Agreement** shall not be enforceable in a court or in the Pennsylvania Board of Claims. In the event of a dispute between the parties, advice and direction will be offered by the Office of the Chancellor of the State System of Higher Education.

**9) Entire Agreement:** This Agreement represents the entire understanding between the parties. No other prior or contemporaneous oral or written understandings or promises exist in regards to this relationship.

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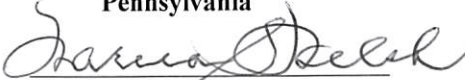
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized representatives of the parties have executed this Agreement as of the date previously indicated.

FOR: County College of Morris

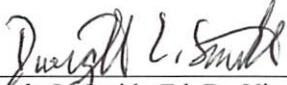
  
Anthony Iacopo, Ph.D.  
President

Date 11/28/16

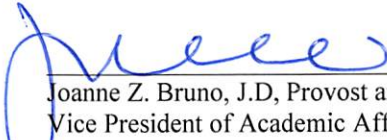
FOR: East Stroudsburg University of  
Pennsylvania

  
Marcia Welsh, Ph.D.,  
President

Date 12-12-16

  
Dwight L. Smith, Ed. D., Vice President for  
Academic Affairs

Date 11/23/16

  
Joanne Z. Bruno, J.D., Provost and  
Vice President of Academic Affairs

Date 12-9-16

## EXHIBIT A

### AS in Biology at the County College of Morris to BS in Biology at ESU

**Obligations of ESU:** Upon receiving an AS Degree in Biology from CCM, ESU accepts the following 64-65 credits towards the BS degree in Biology. At this point, the student will be able to major in the BS in Biology and receive credit for the following courses:

General Education, Pre-Requisite, Co-Requisite Equivalencies			
County College of Morris		East Stroudsburg University	
Course Number	Credit	Course Number	Credit
ENG-111 English Composition I	3	ENGL 103-English Composition	3
ENG-112 English Composition II	3	ENGL 199-GE	3
MAT-123- Pre calculus	4	-MATH 135-GN:Pre-calculus	4
Biology Elective BIO 201-Genetics (4 credits)  BIO 202-Ecology (4 credits)	8	BIOL 299-Departmental elective credits <b>(ESU accepts Genetics and CCM student will not have to take course at ESU)</b> BIOL 200-General Ecology	8
Math/Science/Technology Elective	3	General Education Elective-Science Group	3
Social Science	3	General Education Elective-Social Science Group	3
Humanities	3	General Education Elective-Arts and Letters Group	3
Social Science or Humanities	3	General Education Elective-Arts and Letters or Social Science Group	3
General Education Electives	6	General Education Elective-Science Group	6
BIO-121 General Biology I	4	BIOL 114-GN: Introductory Biology II	4
BIO-122 General Biology II	4	BIOL 115-GE: Introductory Biology II	4
CHM-125 General Chemistry I Lecture	3	CHEM 121-GN: General Chemistry I	3
CHM-126 General Chemistry I - Laboratory	1	CHEM 123-GN: General Chemistry I Lab	1
CHM-127 General Chemistry II - Lecture	3	CHEM 124-GE: General Chemistry II	3
CHM-128 General Chemistry II-Laboratory	1	CHEM 126-GE: General Chemistry II Lab	1
MAT-131 Analytic Geometry and Calculus I (Recommendation from ESU is to take Calculus I)	4	MATH 140-GN:Calculus I	4
Free Electives-(ESU recommendation is to take either -CHM 231/232 Organic Chemistry I and CHM 233/234-Organic Chemistry II-with Labs or PHY 125/126-General Physics I and PHY 127/128-General Physics II)	8	Electives- CHEM 233-Organic Chemistry I CHEM 235-Organic Chemistry I Lab CHEM 234-Organic Chemistry II CHEM 236-Organic Chemistry II Lab OR PHYS 161-GN:Physics I and PHYS 162-	8

		GE:Physics II	
<b>Total</b>	<b>64-65</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>64/65</b>

General Education & Free Elective Recommendations	
<b>Arts and Letters Group:</b> Fine Art [Art, Music, Theatre] ART 101; 151 153; 154 [MUS 101] Foreign Lang. [FRE 116, 141] [GER 116, 120] [SPN 116, 232] Philosophy [PHL 110, 171, 212]	
<b>Mathematics: Math</b> [MAT110, 101, 110, 130, 135, 140]	
<b>Social Sciences Group :</b> Economics [ECON 111, 112] Geography [GEOG 110 or 120] History [HIST 111; 113; 115; 141;143;272;] Political Science [POLS 111;117, 120, 160] Sociology [SOC 102, 111, 201; 231;241, 265]	
<b>Free Elective Recommendations:</b> One course each from the Humanities and Social Sciences from a different category than was used for the Humanities and Social Science Electives in the General Education Recommendations	

**\*At least one half of the credit hours required in Biology must be completed at East Stroudsburg University.**

Junior Year at ESU			
Fall		Spring	
Course Number	Credits	Course Number	Credits
If you have already taken Genetics at CCM, then, ESU recommends you take 300-400 Biology credit electives.	3	General Education Elective-Group B-two courses in Mathematics or one course in Computer Science	3
CHEM 233-Organic Chemistry I and CHEM 234-Organic Chemistry Lab (If not already taken at CCM)	4	6-8 credits of 300/400 Biology credits electives	6-8
BIOL 340-Animal Physiology and BIOL 422-Plant Physiology	8	PHYS 132-Fundamental of Physics II with Lab	4
PHYS 131-Fundamental of Physics I with Lab	4	CHEM 234/236-Organic Chemistry II and Lab	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>

Senior Year at ESU			
Fall		Spring	
Course Number	Credits	Course Number	Credits
BIOL 495-Seminar I	1	BIOL 496-Seminar II	1
BIOL 340-Animal Physiology or BIOL 422-Plant Physiology	4	6-8 credits of 300/400 Biology credits electives	6-8
BIOL 484 or 486-Field Experience & Internship or Environmental Studies Field Experience and Internship (max of 6 credits)	1-6 credits		
6-8 credits of 300/400 Biology credits electives	6-8		

General Education Elective-Group A or Group C	3		
<b>Total</b>	<b>12-18</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>7-9</b>