



**WILLIAM JAMES
COLLEGE**



**Articulation Agreement
Between
William James College
And
Massachusetts Bay Community College**

WHEREAS this guaranteed admission articulation agreement is designed to coordinate transfer policies, enhance advising, and promote the acceptance of the programmatic transfer of courses/credits between **William James College (WJC)** and **Massachusetts Bay Community College (MBCC)** and encourage completion of the Bachelor of Science Degree.

Given the commitment to diversity, and the mission of the two institutions, it is only fitting that **WJC** and **MBCC** form a guaranteed admission articulation agreement. Both institutions are regionally accredited by the New England Commission for Higher Education (NECHE) with long standing histories in higher education. This agreement will make opportunities for learning accessible to a wider student population in the surrounding communities.

William James College Mission Statement

William James College strives to be a preeminent school of psychology that integrates rigorous academic instruction with extensive field education and close attention to professional development. We assume an ongoing social responsibility to create programs to educate specialists of many disciplines to meet the evolving mental health needs of society.

Core Values

- **Experiential Education**
Integrate rigorous academic instruction with substantial clinical experience.
- **Social Responsibility**
Educate providers to meet a diverse society's evolving mental health needs including cultural competence and language training. Develop programs and partnerships to ensure access to mental health care for all persons.
- **Personal Growth**
Foster a supportive, challenging and available learning environment that pays careful attention to personal and professional development.

Massachusetts Bay Community College Mission Statement:

MassBay Community College is a compassionate, student-centered, accessible institution of higher learning, serving a richly diverse population. MassBay is a bridge to equitable opportunities, sustained success, and a lifetime of professional and personal growth. Through transformative education, MassBay contributes to the growing regional economy and cultivates the potential of our students, empowering them to thrive in our local and global communities.

Values

▪ **Accessibility and Affordability**

Massachusetts Bay Community College is an affordable, open-access public institution, which meets the immediate and long-term needs of diverse students and communities that the College serves.

▪ **Communication**

Massachusetts Bay Community College is committed to a culture of open communication and transparency.

▪ **Diversity**

Massachusetts Bay Community College values and pursues diversity and teaches students the importance of inclusion and collaboration in a global context.

▪ **Professional Development**

Massachusetts Bay Community College invests in professional development for faculty and staff to ensure the excellence of its programs and services.

▪ **Respect**

Massachusetts Bay Community College promotes mutual respect and creates a forum for vigorous questioning and debate among faculty, staff, and students.

SUMMARY STATEMENT

William James College requires all transfer candidates to provide evidence of completing a minimum of 22 general education courses covering the following domains:

Minimum: 3 credits Natural/Physical Science

Minimum: 1 credit for a Natural/Physical Science Lab

Minimum: 3 credits Humanities/Arts

Minimum: 3 credits Mathematics

Minimum: 3 credits Social Sciences

Minimum: 6 credits English Composition/Writing

Minimum: 3 credits Humanities/Social Sciences/Natural or Physical Science/or Mathematics

This agreement will provide a guaranteed admission arrangement for students from MBCC to obtain a Bachelor of Science Degree from WJC. Students who have received an associate degree (minimum of 60 credits) from MBCC in Liberal Arts- Psychology/Sociology, General Studies, Liberal Arts – Human Services, or Liberal Arts – Behavioral Health with a **2.5 cumulative GPA** or higher, will be guaranteed admission in the Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Human Services program.

Students with 60 credits and a GPA lower than a 2.5 cumulative average are still encouraged to apply but are not guaranteed admission.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Administrative Matters

At least one academic administrator or faculty member from each institution will be appointed to act as liaisons for the implementation of this agreement, to serve as primary contact persons, and to communicate any changes to this agreement to the respective faculty members, advisors, admissions counselors, and others. Responsibility for oversight of this agreement rests with the Vice President for Academic Affairs (or designee) at WJC and the Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs (or designee) at MBCC. Both parties agree to communicate annually regarding any changes in their respective programs that may affect this agreement.

WJC and MBCC agree to collaborate in the areas of publicity, marketing, recruitment, curriculum, and transfer efforts as follows:

- All announcements, publicity, marketing, and recruitment activities by either institution relative to the articulation agreement will be done following a plan collaboratively developed and agreed to by both parties.
- Faculty and staff at both institutions will share information in this agreement with interested and qualified students, and both institutions will provide counseling and advising to current and prospective students.

Student Admissions and Enrollment Guidelines

MBCC students who graduate with one of the following degrees: **Associate in Arts or Associate of Science in General Studies, Liberal Arts – Psychology/Sociology, Liberal Arts – Human Services, Liberal Arts – Behavioral Health** and have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 are guaranteed admission into the Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Human Services program at William James College (WJC). Once admitted, students are subject to all other policies and procedures as outlined in the WJC undergraduate student handbook and the program handbook.

MBCC graduates will be required to complete the required application form at WJC. There is no application fee or essay requirement.

WJC will accept and apply general education, open elective courses, and select content equivalent courses (60-72) from accredited associate degree programs {see Appendix A). Students must complete a minimum of twenty courses (60 credits) above the initial 60 credits required for an Associate's degree, for a total of (120) credits to obtain a Bachelor of Science degree from WJC. A minimum of 30 credits (10 courses) must be completed at WJC for students to obtain a degree from WJC.

Course grades below a C - will transfer if they are part of the Gen Ed Foundation and students have completed the block with a cumulative grade or quality point average of 2.0 or higher. The transfer of all other non-traditional credits outside the Gen Ed Foundation will be honored at the discretion of the receiving institution.

Students may additionally transfer a maximum of four (4), three (3) credit additional content equivalent courses for a total of (12) credits beyond their 60 credits from an AS degree, thus only needing 48 credits at WJC to graduate. These credits will only be transferred if the student obtained a C or above and has a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above.

Advanced Placement (AP), College-Level Examination Program (CLEP), MBCC Challenge Exams, and Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) credit completed and/or accepted by MBCC will be honored at WJC. Students seeking credit for these courses must provide WJC with official transcripts and official score sheets from The College Board for validation.

Financial Aid and Scholarship Opportunities

Students with 60 or more credits, eligible to attend through this articulation agreement will be eligible to receive financial assistance through the Financial Aid Office at WJC. Students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the WJC New Student Application for Financial Aid to determine scholarship, grant, and loan eligibility.

WJC participates in the Yellow Ribbon Program and the post 9/11 G. L Bill. Veterans utilizing this agreement are encouraged to meet with admissions staff at WJC for more information.

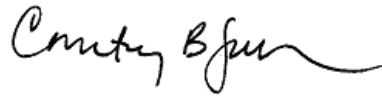
Terms, Amendments, and Termination

This agreement shall continue for a period of three (3) years. Additional program approvals may be added to this agreement with the permission of both institutions. This agreement may be renewed with the mutual consent of the parties. This agreement may be terminated by either party for any reason upon written notice to the other with at least ninety (90) day notice prior to the effective date of termination or, if a violation of the agreement occurs, may be terminated upon written notice. This agreement is not assignable and may not be amended, revised, or modified, except in writing executed by all parties. If the agreement is terminated for any reason prior to the end of the effective period, MBCC students who were accepted into or enrolled in the articulated program prior to the termination of this agreement will be able to complete the degree program.

Massachusetts Bay Community College



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President



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APPENDIX A: Transfer Credit Equivalencies

Table 1. General Studies at MBCC to BS completion in Psychology and Human Services at WJC: General Education and Open Electives

William James Bachelor of Science		Mass Bay CC: General Studies	
General Education (22)			
Humanities	3	Literature Sequence I	3
Social Science	3	Social Science Elective	3
Mathematics	3	Math Elective	3
Natural/Physical Science w/ a Lab	4	Laboratory Science Sequence I	4
English Composition	3	EN101. English Composition I	3
English/Writing	3	EN102. English Composition II	3
Humanities, Social Sci, Math, Natural/Phys. Science	3	History Sequence I	3
Open Electives (38)		Program Requirements (39)	
Open	3	CS100. Computers and Technology	3
Open	3	CT100. Critical Thinking	3
Open	3	PS150. Career/Life Planning	3
Open	3	History Sequence II	3
Open	3	Program Elective 1	3
Open	3	Program Elective 2	3
Open	3	Program Elective 3	3
Open	3	Program Elective 4	3
Open	3	Program Elective 5	3
Open	3	Literature Sequence II	3
Open	3	Humanities Elective	3
Open	3	Program Elective 6	3
Open	3	Laboratory Science Sequence II	4

Total Transferrable Credits: 62

Table 2. Liberal Arts: Psychology/Sociology at MBCC to BS completion in Psychology and Human Services at WJC: General Education and Open Electives

William James Bachelor of Science		Mass Bay CC: Liberal Arts, Psychology/Sociology	
General Education (22)			
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Humanities	3	Literature Elective	3
Social Science	3	PS101. Introduction to Psychology	3
Mathematics	3	Math Elective	3
Natural/Physical Science w/ a Lab	4	Science Elective (must have lab)	4
English Composition	3	EN101. English Composition I	3
English/Writing	3	EN102. English Composition II	3
Humanities, Social Sci, Math, Natural/Phys. Science	3	History Elective	3
Open Electives (38)		Program Requirements	
Open	3	CS100. Computers and Technology	3
Open	3	Humanities Elective	3
Open	3	Social Science Elective	3
Open	3	Social Science Elective	3
Open	3	Humanities Elective	3
Open	3	PS250. Research Methods	3
Open	3	Humanities Elective	3
Open	3	Humanities Elective	3
Open	3	Program Elective	3
Open	3	Program Elective	3
Open	3	SO101. Introduction to Sociology	3
Open	3	CT100 Critical Thinking	3
Open	3	Science Elective	3

Total Transferrable Credits: 61

Table 3. Liberal Arts- Human Services at MBCC to BS completion in Psychology and Human Services at WJC: General Education and Open Electives

William James Bachelor of Science		Mass Bay CC: Liberal Arts, Human Services	
General Education (22)			
Humanities	3	Language Elective	3
Social Science	3	PS101. Introduction to Psychology	3
Mathematics	3	Math Elective (non-developmental)	3
Natural/Physical Science w/ a Lab	4	Laboratory Science Elective	4
English Composition	3	EN101. English Composition I	3
English/Writing	3	EN102. English Composition II	3
Humanities, Social Sci, Math, Natural/Phys. Science	3	SO101. Introduction to Sociology	3
Open Electives (38)			
Open	3	CS100. Computers and Technology	3
Open	3	SW101. Introduction to Social Welfare	3
Open	3	SW102. Ethical Issues and Addiction	3
Open	3	CT100. Critical Thinking	3
Open	3	SO203. Race and Ethnic Relations	3
Open	3	Humanities Elective	3
Open	3	PS241. Group Process	3
2 Open Electives	6	SW201. Practicum/Seminar	6
Open	3	Science elective	3
Open	3	Program Elective 1*	3
Open	3	Program Elective 2*	3
Open	3	PS118. Human Growth and Development	3

Total Transferrable Credits: 61

Table 4. Liberal Arts- Behavioral Health at MBCC to BS completion in Psychology and Human Services at WJC: General Education and Open Electives

William James Bachelor of Science		Mass Bay CC: Liberal Arts, Behavioral Health	
General Education (22)			
Humanities	3	PH102: Ethics	3
Social Science	3	PS101. Introduction to Psychology	3
Mathematics	3	Math Elective (non-developmental)	3
Natural/Physical Science w/ a Lab	4	BI101 with lab	4
English Composition	3	EN101. English Composition I	3
English/Writing	3	EN102. English Composition II	3
Humanities, Social Sci, Math, Natural/Phys. Science	3	BH101. Introduction to Behavioral Health	3
Open Electives (40 or 41)			
Open	4	BH102: Advanced Behavioral Health	4
2 Open Electives	6	BH201. Behavioral Health Practicum Experience	6
Open	3	CO131: Oral Communication	3
Open	3	CS100. Computers and Technology	3
Open	3	CT100. Critical Thinking	3
Open	3	PS240. Psychological Disorders	3
Open	3	PS118. Human Growth and Development	3
Open	3	PS241. Group Dynamics	3
Open	3	SO120. Disabilities: Diagnosis and Intervention	3
Open	3	SO221: Drugs and Society	3
Open	3	SW101: Introduction to Social Welfare	3
Open	3 or 4	Science Elective	3 or 4

Total Transferrable Credits: 62/63

Table 5. Course-to-Course transfer options for MBCC students coming to WJC for a BS in Psychology and Human Services

Course-to-course transfers require a grade of C or higher at MBCC and an overall GPA of 2.5.

WJC Courses		MBCC Courses	
BSHS231. Substance Use and Addictive Behavior	3	SO221. Drugs and Society	3
BSHS235. Autism and Developmental Disabilities	3	SO224. Sociology of Developmental Disabilities or SO120. Disabilities: Diagnosis and Interventions	3
BSPY220. Cross Cultural Human Development	3	PS118. Human Growth and Development	3
BSPY230. Introduction to Psychopathology	3	PS240. Abnormal Psychology	3
BSSO209. Sociology of Social Problems	3	SO115. Social Problems	3
BSHS211. Fundamental Interventions in Human Serv.	3	SW203. Counseling and Treatment BH101: Introduction to Behavioral Health BH102: Advanced Behavioral Health	3 3 4