Statement of Purpose

Eastern Maine Community College (EMCC) and the University of Maine Farmington (UMF) have entered into this transfer articulation agreement. The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate student academic transfer and provide a smooth transition from a two-year community college to the University of Maine Farmington. This agreement shall describe the required program of study at EMCC and the specific course equivalencies for the UMF Baccalaureate Degree Program indicated.

Terms and Conditions of Academic Credit Transfer

To: BS Early Childhood Education, UMF
From: AAS Early Childhood Education, EMCC

The evaluation and transfer of earned college credits shall be in compliance with state and federal education policies and institutional and academic program accreditation standards pertaining to undergraduate academic transfer. Current students and graduates who have earned AAS Early Childhood Education degrees from Eastern Maine Community College shall be eligible for credit evaluation under the terms of this agreement.

Transfer students will be accorded the same standards and criteria for admission to a major degree sequence as UMF students. All applications accepted to UMF Baccalaureate programs must fulfill the graduation requirements of the granting institution as identified in the following pages.

Articulation Implementation and Agreement Review

The Chief Academic Officer designee of EMCC and UMF shall be responsible for implementing this agreement, for identifying and incorporating any changes into subsequent agreements and for conducting a periodic review of this agreement.

Signatures to this Agreement

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This agreement becomes of	effective in June and wi	ll be reviewed in June	_for renewal discussion.			
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President, UMF		President, EMCC				

This agreement includes specific requirements for admission into the Early Childhood Education program, outlines requirements, and indicates which courses can be used to meet program prerequisites as well as general education, Early Childhood Education program requirements, and graduation requirements.

Admissions requirements:

Students apply to the University of Maine Farmington. Application is also reviewed by the Early Childhood Education Program.

- 1. Requirements for admission to UMF include a completed application form, an application fee, official transcripts from all colleges attended and a personal statement
- 2. Requirements for admission to the Early Childhood Education Program Birth to Five Certification or K-3 Certification Option
 - a. UMF admission requirements listed above
 - b. Recommendations in support of your interest in teaching.
 - c. An essay that reflects your desire to teach at the appropriate age level and highlighting any relevant work experience.
 - d. Passing PRAXIS I Core scores: Reading 156, Math 150, and Writing 162, or a composite (total of all three) score of 468 with individual test scores no more than three points lower than the above three scores.
- 3. Requirements for admission to Early Childhood Education Program Non-certification option or the Early Childhood Education Off-Campus Program.
 - a. UMF admission requirements listed above
 - b. PRAXIS scores are not required for admission

ECH 201 Language Development, Early Literacy and Children's Literature

Program Requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education for Birth-5 Certification and Birth-5 Non-Certification tracks at UMF in addition to requirements satisfied by completion of EMCC's AAS in Early Childhood Education:

(EMCC's ECE 116 Early Literacy Development will apply as part of ECH 201 when this course is combined with a designated ECH

course taken at UMF)	
ECH 256 Creative Arts and Technology for the Young Child	4 credits
ECH 232 Social Science for the Young Child	4 credits
ECH 336 Development of Math Concepts in Young Children	4 credits
ECH 384 Science Education for Young Children	4 credits
ECH 450 Senior Seminar: Research in Early Childhood Education	4 credits
FCH 490 Internship in Early Childhood Education	4 to 8 credits

Advanced Level Courses - Select two

ECH 367 Administration of Early Childhood Programs	4 credits
ECH 402 Diverse Learning in Early Childhood Environments	4 credits
ECH 420 Planning Environments for Young Children	4 credits
ECH 430 Theories of Learning and Curriculum Development	4 credits
ECH 440 Children, Families and Communities	4 credits

ECH 477 Special Topics in Early Childhood Education 1 to 4 credits variable

Additional Required Courses

For the K-3 track, additional courses are required. See the UMF catalog for K-3 Certification requirements.

Plus additional general education courses

Transfer from A.A.S. in Early Childhood Education at Eastern Maine Community College to B.S. in Early Childhood Education at University of Maine Farmington

A.A.S. in Early Childhood Education at EMCC	T	B.S. in Early Childhood Education at UMF		
Required Courses	Cdit-	Required Courses	Credits	
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Semester I		Transfer classes to UMF		
ECE 110 Child and Adolescent Development	3	PSY 225	3	
ECE 116 Early Literacy Development	3	ECH 199	3	
202 Tto Barry Enteracy 20, cropment		Course equivalency will apply as part of ECH 201		
		when this course is combined with an additional		
		Language Development, Early Literacy and		
		Children's Literature taken at UMF. This course will	,	
		continue to appear as ECH 199 on transcripts- no		
		need for course equivalency at this time)		
ENG 101 College Composition	3	ENG 100 First Year Writing Seminar	3	
Elective General Education *	3	General Education*	3	
Elective General Education*	3	General Education*	3	
Semester II				
ECE 131 Infant and Toddler Curriculum	3	ECH 250 Infants and Toddlers Development and	3	
		Care	:	
ECE 117 Observing and Recording in the Field	3	Complex rule ECE 117 + ECE 220 = ECH 150	3	
ECE 117 Observing and Recording in the Field		Introduction and Observation in Early Childhood	, ,	
		Education		
ECE 127 Cognitive and Affective Development	3	ECH 199 Early Childhood Elective		
Elective General Education *	3	General Education*	3	
Elective General Education*	3	General Education*	3	
Semester III		Ontotal Education		
ECE 220 Curriculum for Young Children I	3	Complex rule ECE 117 + ECE 220 = ECH 150	3	
Hob 220 Carrollan for Found Carroll		Introduction and Observation in Early Childhood		
		Education		
ECE 216 Survey of Exceptionalities	3	ECS 103 Intro to Teaching Inclusive Early Childhood	3	
		Education		
ECE 232 Field Placement II	4	ECH 192 Intro Practicum/Seminar ECE	4	
Elective General Education *	. 3	General Education*	3	
Elective General Education*	4	General Education*	4	
Semester IV				
ECE 221 Curriculum for Young Children II	3	ECH 299 Early Childhood Elective	3	
ECE 233 Field Placement III	6	ECH 293 Intermediate Practicum and Seminar in	6	
		Early Childhood Education		
ECE Elective	3	ECH 199 or 299 Early Childhood Elective	3	
Elective General Education*	3 or 4	General Education *	3 or 4	
Total Credit Hour Requirements	62-63			

^{*}EMCC General Education Elective distribution: Communication – 3 credits; Humanities or Social Science courses – 9 credits; and Math/Science courses – 10 credits. See current course equivalency tables on Mainestreet at https://mainestreet.maine.edu to select courses that will fulfill UMF General Education requirements

Note: A course grade of C- of higher is needed for a course to transfer to UMF. A grade of B- or higher is needed for ECE 232 and ECE 233; a grade of C or higher is needed for ENG 101 to satisfy UMF's Early Childhood Education program requirements.

General Education Requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education at UMF must total 40 credits in the following areas. Some of these course requirements can be satisfied through the general education course taken as part of EMCC's AAS in Early Childhood Education. See the course equivalency data base on Mainestreet at https://mainestreet.maine.edu determine which EMCC courses will fulfill the UMF general education requirements.:

- Two natural science course, with a lab, in biology, chemistry, environmental science, geology or physics. Courses in two different science disciplines are required at UMF.
- Two social science courses. Courses in two different social science disciplines are required at UMF. For students pursuing the K-3 track, the courses must be in anthropology, economics, geography, history or political science. For student pursuing the B-5 certification track, **one** of the two required courses must be in the above group.
- One arts course in art, art history, dance, music, music history, or theater
- One humanities course in English literature, philosophy, religion, French, Spanish or Chinese. Students pursuing the K-3 Certification should take an English literature course to fulfill this requirement.
- One non-credit course in physical education
- One math course
- One additional mathematics course for students pursuing K-3 Certification
- General Electives as needed to reach 40 credits in General Education

Professional education requirements

To enroll in professional education courses at the 300 level or above, students must earn Professional Standing in Education, which includes achieving some specific course grades (see note on page 3) and a 2.5 GPA overall in UMF courses. Students in Birth-5 Certification Option and K-3 Certification Option must pass all sections of PRAXIS I Core.

Prior to Internship students in the Early Childhood Education Program must:

- a. complete all required professional curriculum courses with grades of C- or higher, and
- b. achieve an accumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher

Prior to Internship and for teacher certification, students in the Early Childhood Education Program- Birth to Five Certification Option and K-3 Certification Option must:

- a. pass the PRAXIS II 0021 exam Education of Young Children with a score of 166 or higher, the level established by the State of Maine
- b. complete all required professional curriculum courses with grades of C- or higher, and
- c. achieve an accumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher

UMF graduation credit requirement

Total credits needed for graduation from UMF – 128.

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