TRANSFER AGREEMENT FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREE

Eastern Maine Community College & University of Maine Farmington

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate student academic transfer and provide a smooth transition from Eastern Maine Community College (EMCC) to the University of Maine Farmington (UMF). It is recognized that this agreement shall describe the required program of study at EMCC for admission eligibility to University of Maine Farmington and the degree program indicated.

Terms & Conditions of Academic Credit Transfer

To: Bachelor of Science Early Childhood Special Education, UMF, Birth to 5 Certification From: Associate in Applied Science 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 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 applicants accepted to University of Maine Farmington's Baccalaureate programs must fulfill the graduation requirements of the granting institution as identified in Appendices A, B & C.

<u>Articulation Implementation and Agreement Review</u>

The Chief Academic Officer designee of the collaborating institutions 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

This agreement becomes effective September 1, 2023 and will be reviewed Spring 2026 for renewal discussion.

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APPENDIX A

Admission & Graduation Requirements of the Receiving Institution

This agreement includes specific requirements for admission into a program, outlines requirements, and indicates which degree or diploma can be used to meet program prerequisites as well as general education, major or program, and graduation requirements.

Admissions Requirements

Successful completion of the EMCC Associate in Applied Science Early Childhood Education, submission of a completed admission application, application fee (currently waived), official transcripts from all colleges attended, and other supporting materials. For coursework to transfer to UMF, a student must earn a grade of C- or better.

For a list of application instructions and checklist: https://www.umf.maine.edu/admissions-aid/

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Early Childhood Special Education, Birth-5 Certification

(See Appendix C)

The information contained in Appendices A, B & C is accurate for:

EMCC catalog year 2023-2024: EMCC Catalog UMF catalog year 2023-2024: UMF Catalog

Residency Requirement

All students in baccalaureate degree programs must earn the following from the University of Maine at Farmington:

- 1) a minimum of 18 of the credits required by their major program(s) at the 200 level or above*
- 2) a minimum of 30 of the total required credits
- *An academic program may require that more than 18 credits of advanced coursework and/or specific coursework, such as a capstone course, be completed at UMF.

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

ECH 203 Children's Literature	3 credits
ECS 280 Specially Designed Instruction	3 credits
ECS 281 Strategies for Inclusive Early Childhood Classroom	3 credits
ECH 256 Creative Arts for the Young Child	3 credits
SED 301 Fundamentals of Literacy Instruction	3 credits
SED 320 Inclusive Program Planning to Support Students with Disabilities	3 credits
ECS 396 Advanced Practicum & Seminar in ECS	3 credits
ECS 401 Culturally Responsive Intervention Practices	3 credits
ECS 404 Early Intervention	3 credits
SED 450 Special Education Regulations & Practices	3 credits
ECS 476 Assessment for Young Children At-Risk for Disability	3 credits
ECS 460 Student Teaching and Seminar in ECS B-5	15 credits

Additional Requirements

PSY 225 Child and Adolescent Psychology	
MAT 103M Numbers, Operations, and Algebraic Thinking for Elementary Teachers	3 credits

APPENDIX B

Side by Side Course Equivalency Tables

If courses in Appendix B are <u>not</u> taken at EMCC, the sequence represented in Appendix C might not be observed. Only courses in which a student has earned a grade of C- or higher are considered for transfer.

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

Special Education at University of Maine Farmington

A.A.S. in Early Childhood Education at EMCC		B.S. in Early Childhood Special Education at UMF	
Required Courses	Credits	Required Courses	Credits transferred
Semester I		Transfer classes to UMF	
ECE 110 Child and Adolescent Development	3	PSY 225 Child and Adolescent Development	3
ECE 116 Early Literacy Development	3	ECH 204 Early Language and Literacy Development	3
ENG 101 College Composition	3	ENG 100 Writing Seminar	3
Elective General Education *(MAT 101 or MAT 108)	3	Math General Education* (MAT 100 or MAT 103)	3
Elective General Education* (SOC 101)	3	Social Science General Education* (SOC 101)	3
Semester II			
ECE 131 Infant and Toddler Curriculum	3	ECH 250 Infants and Toddlers: Development and Care	3
ECE 117 Observing and Recording in the Field	3	ECH 1XX Early Childhood Elective	3
ECE 127 Cognitive and Affective Development	3	ECH 150 Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3
Elective General Education * (GEO 107, HIS 101, GOV 103)	3	Social Science General Education * (GEO 103, HTY 104, POS 101)	3
Elective General Education* (MAT 107)	3	Math General Education* (MAT 104)	3
Semester III			
ECE 220 Numeracy, Environments and Integrated Curriculum for Young Children	3	ECH 2XX Early Childhood Elective	3
ECE 216 Survey of Exceptionalities	3	ECS 103 Introduction to Early Childhood Special Education	3
ECE 232 Field Placement II	4	ECH 1XX Early Childhood Elective	4
Elective General Education * (BIO 109, BIO 127, CHE 113/115, PHY 121/122; NUT is not accepted as a Natural Science at UMF)	4	Natural Science General Education* (BIO 110, BIO 150, CHY 141, PHY 110)	4
Communications Course (ENG 205, ENG 215)	3	ENG 205= ENG 205 Advanced Writing ENG 215 = ENG 200 Writing for the Professions	3
Semester IV			
ECE 221 STEM Curriculum for Young Children	3	ECH 2XX Early Childhood Elective	3
ECE 233 Field Placement III	6	ECS 296 Introductory Practicum and Seminar in Early Childhood Special Education ECH 2XX Early Childhood Elective	3
EDB Elective: EDB 115 Development and Guidance of Behavior	3	ECS 207 Guidance and Behavioral Intervention for Social Emotional Challenges in Early Childhood Special Education	3
Elective General Education* (ART 100)	3	Arts General Education * (ART 115)	3
Total Credit Hour Requirements	62-63		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. General Education courses listed are suggestions.

Note: A course grade of C- or higher is needed for a course to transfer to UMF. A grade of C or higher is needed for ENG 101, and after transfer, a grade of B- or higher is needed in all Early Childhood Special Education professional education courses to satisfy UMF's Early Childhood Special Education program requirements.

General Education Requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Special Education at UMF:

General education courses 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 database on Mainestreet at https://mainestreet.maine.edu to determine which EMCC courses will fulfill the UMF general education requirements:

- Two natural science courses, with a lab, in biology, chemistry, environmental science, geology or physics. Courses in two different science disciplines are required at UMF;
- Three social science courses in different areas. For students pursuing the preK-3 track, the courses must be in anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science, psychology, or sociology.
- One arts course in art, art history, music, music history, or theater;
- An advanced writing course; for students pursuing the preK-3 Certification this will fulfill their requirement by the state for a 2nd English course;
- Health/Physical education is waived for transfers with more than 60 credits;
- One math course;
- General Electives as needed to reach 40 credits in General Education.

Professional Education Requirements:

Candidacy

Students are eligible to apply for Candidacy upon the completion of Candidacy requirements. Applications for Candidacy are completed inTk20. Only students who have been approved for Candidacy are eligible to continue in their professional education program. Candidacy requirements are:

- Completion of the Candidacy application
- Cumulative GPA of 2.750 or higher
- Grade of B- or better in all professional education courses.

(A student may have one exemption, although the student must earn a grade of C- or higher in that particular course. Practicum courses are not eligible for exemption.)

- Grade of C or better in English 100
 - (AP credit is accepted, as is an equivalent English course transferred with a grade of C or higher.)
- Successful completion of practicum/practica with a grade of B- or higher
- Successful completion of the Teacher Candidate Dispositions and Professional Expectations Assessment

UMF Graduation Credit Requirement:

Total credits needed for graduation from UMF – 120 credits with a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher.

APPENDIX CRemaining UMF Degree Requirements: ECS B-5

Year Three Fall		Year Three Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
ECH 203 Children's Literature	3	SED 320 Inclusive Program Planning to Support Students with Disabilities	3
Natural Science General Education (Different discipline)	4	ECS 396 Advanced Practicum & Seminar in Early Childhood Special Education	3
ECS 280 Specially Designed Instruction for the Young Child with Disabilities	3	ECH 256 Creative Arts for the Young Child	3
SED 301 Fundamentals of Literacy Instruction in Special Education	3	ECS 281 Strategies for the Inclusive Early Childhood Classroom	3
Arts & Science Elective	3	ECS 476 Assessment for Young Children At- Risk for Disability	3
Semester Credits	16	Semester Credits	15

Year Four Fall		Year Four Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
SED 450 Special Education Regulations &	_	ECS 460 Student Teaching in Early Childhood	15
Practice	3	Special Education B-5	
ECS 401 Culturally Responsive Intervention			
Practices	3		
ECS 404 Early Intervention	3		
Arts & Science Elective	3		
Arts & Science Elective	3		
Semester Credits	15	Semester Credits	15
Total credits: 61	-	•	

Total UMF credits: 61
Total EMCC credits: 62-63

Total EMCC and UMF credits: 123-124

Note: If students do not take the recommended Arts & Science classes at EMCC, they need to work with their advisor to complete UMF General Education requirements.

EMCC Early Childhood to UMF ECS B-5

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