

## Master Articulation Agreement

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Entered into this 1st day of March, 2019.

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Any notice to be given hereunder shall be given in writing by U.S. mail or via reputable over night courier (e.g., Federal Express, DHL, etc.). Notice shall be deemed received upon delivery to the party to whom the notice is directed or to its agent, in the case of UMBC to:

In the case of UMBC:

University of Maryland, Baltimore County  
1000 Hilltop Circle  
Baltimore, MD 21250  
Attn: Office of the Provost  
CC: Office of Enrollment Management  
CC: Registrar's Office

In the case of Carroll:

Carroll Community College  
1601 Washington Road  
Westminster, MD 21157  
Attn: Vice President of Academic and Student  
Affairs

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that this Agreement provides that any notice must be directed to a person other than the person designated for the receipt of notice in the preceding sentence, then notice must be directed to such other person in order to be effective hereunder.

This Agreement embodies the entire Agreement and understanding among the parties hereto relating to the subject matter hereof and may not be changed orally, but only by an instrument in writing signed by all parties hereto. No representation, warranty, undertaking or covenant is made by any party hereto except as contained herein and any others are specifically disclaimed. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the State of Maryland (i.e., without regard to its conflicts of law rules). This Agreement shall be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors, but shall not inure to the benefit of any third party beneficiary. This Agreement and any rights hereunder may not be assigned by either party without the prior written consent of the other, and any purported assignment without consent shall be null and void and of no effect whatsoever. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement.

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## **Master Articulation Agreement**

This Master Articulation Agreement (“Agreement”) is entered into this 1st day of March, 2019 by and between Carroll Community College (Carroll) and University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC).

### **I. PURPOSE**

1.1 The purpose of this Agreement is to establish a collaboration between Carroll and UMBC for the purpose of providing transfer pathways for the students (each, a “Transfer Pathway”) including the responsibilities of each party and opportunities for students who choose to follow a Transfer Pathway, in an effort to facilitate transfer and degree completion at the respective institutions.

1.2 For each department, major, or track at either Carroll or UMBC desiring to establish a Transfer Pathway, the parties shall enter into a separate addendum under this Agreement (each, an “Addendum”), specifying the department, major, or track of Carroll sending students to UMBC, the department, major, or track of UMBC awarding transfer credit, and other relevant information as is set forth in Exhibit A hereto, “Example Program Articulation Agreement”.

### **II. ACCEPTANCE AND APPLICATION OF TRANSFER CREDITS**

2.1 All Carroll courses meeting general education requirements at Carroll will transfer and be applied toward the general education requirements at UMBC.

2.2 Coursework originating from institutions other than Carroll will be evaluated on a course by course basis. Credit for competency-based education will be awarded as outlined in the UMBC Undergraduate Catalog.

2.3 Upon matriculation to UMBC, transferrable coursework from Carroll will be applied toward general education, graduation and major requirements outlined in the UMBC Undergraduate Catalog.

### **III. ACADEMIC PLANNING**

3.1 To facilitate a seamless transition, students should work closely with their academic advisor at Carroll to develop a comprehensive academic plan as early in their academic career as possible and prior to transfer.

3.2 Students and advisors are encouraged to utilize a variety of advising resources including the 4 Year Program Articulation Pathway (accompanying this agreement), Carroll Catalog, UMBC Undergraduate Catalog, respective departmental websites, and ARTSYS (the USM online articulation database), to ascertain transferability of coursework.

### **IV. ADMISSIONS**

4.1 The UMBC Admissions Committee evaluates transfer applicants on the basis of their academic record at previous institutions. Cumulative grade point average, performance trends, strength of curriculum and performance in courses related to the intended area of study are considered.

4.2 Applicants successfully completing the articulated program with a 2.0 or better grade point average who have not subsequently matriculated at any other institution of higher education will be guaranteed transfer admission to UMBC. Additional requirements may apply on selective admissions programs (e.g. Engineering, Visual Arts, and Performing Arts). UMBC, in its sole discretion, may elect to disqualify a candidate from guaranteed admissions where that candidate has engaged in academic or behavioral misconduct inconsistent with UMBC standards.

## **V. ACADEMIC ADVISING**

5.1 Following admission to UMBC, students will have access to numerous advising tools including an Advising Profile, a Transfer Credit Report and a Degree Audit detailing prior coursework transferability and applicability to university, general, and major requirements.

5.2 Prior to matriculation to UMBC, all new students are required to attend the mandatory new student orientation program. During orientation, students will meet with an academic advisor to review prior coursework, discuss academic interests and goals and register for the upcoming semester.

5.3 After orientation, students will be assigned an advisor in their area of study. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with their assigned advisor periodically. Students are required to meet with their advisor prior to registering for subsequent semesters.

5.4 Students, in consultation with their academic advisor, will develop an individualized degree plan for completion of all general education, graduation and major requirements as outlined in the UMBC Undergraduate Catalog. These requirements include a minimum of 120 credits, of which at least 30 credits must be earned at UMBC.

## **VI. SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID**

6.1 Students transferring from Carroll to UMBC who meet the transfer admissions priority deadline as well as academic requirements applicable to all students, may be eligible for the following scholarships offered by UMBC:

6.1.1 The Academic Achievement Award for Transfers (AAAT) - awarded to community college transfers on the basis of academic accomplishment. Awards of up to \$2,500 per year for two academic years may be used for full- or part-time study. Students must have completed 35 or more college level credits at the time of application to be eligible for consideration.

6.1.2 Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Scholarship - awarded to community college transfers on the basis of academic accomplishment. Awards of up to \$2,500 per year for two

academic years may be used for full- or part-time study. Students must submit proof of PTK membership to be eligible for consideration.

6.1.3 Transfer Student Alliance (TSA) Award - awarded to Maryland community college transfers who will complete the associate's degree prior to transfer and who meet all other TSA program requirements. Awards of \$1,500 per year for two academic years may be used for full- or part-time study.

6.2 The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is required to be eligible for need-based aid. Students must indicate UMBC's school code of 002105 when submitting the FAFSA. All students are encouraged to submit the FAFSA beginning October 1 but no later than the priority application deadline of December 14 (for Spring transfer) or February 14 (for Fall transfer).

## **VII. PERIODIC AGREEMENT REVIEW**

7.1 As agreed by both parties, this Agreement will be reviewed every five years and updated whenever substantive changes in the program(s) occur at either UMBC or Carroll Community College.





**Memorandum of Understanding between**  
**Carroll Community College and University of Maryland, Baltimore County**  
**TRANSFER STUDENT ALLIANCE (TSA)**

**Preamble:**

This agreement between the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC) and Carroll Community College affirms the initiation of a partnership, the Transfer Student Alliance (TSA), designed to increase access and encourage greater academic success for students transferring from Carroll Community College to UMBC.

*Program Overview:*

The Transfer Student Alliance (TSA) offers eligible Carroll Community College students who intend to earn a bachelor's degree at UMBC upon completion of their associate degree at Carroll Community College the opportunity to benefit from joint programmatic efforts, shared resources and other privileges while still enrolled at Carroll Community College. Upon successful completion of the program and initiation of transfer to UMBC, eligible students will be guaranteed admission, scholarship, and housing.

**Efforts:**

Carroll Community College and the University of Maryland, Baltimore County will implement a Transfer Student Alliance (TSA) program with the following guidelines:

1. Carroll Community College and UMBC will begin implementation of the program in fall 2017 (with the first cohort to matriculate at UMBC in fall 2018).
2. Carroll Community College and UMBC will continue independently to recruit and make offers of freshman admission.
3. Carroll Community College and UMBC will collaborate on strategies to promote the TSA program including mass and targeted marketing efforts.
4. Carroll Community College will identify eligible candidates – students who have completed between 12 and 35 college-level credits with a minimum of 3.0 GPA – and work with UMBC Office of Undergraduate Admissions and Orientation to provide these candidates printed and electronic information.

5. Students accepted for participation in the TSA program will be extended the following privileges:
  - a. Access to UMBC facilities and campus services including libraries and computer laboratories
  - b. Student activities including cultural and recreational opportunities (fee-based events will be at the expense of the student)
  - c. Concurrent enrollment at a 25% tuition discount for one UMBC course per term (not to exceed a total of three discounted courses).
6. Upon successful completion of the Requirements detailed below, students will be eligible for the following privileges:
  - a. Guaranteed transfer admission to UMBC. Please note that selected programs (i.e. Visual Arts, Engineering) may have additional requirements for students to pursue the intended course of study. Students must meet all other eligibility requirements for admission to UMBC.
  - b. Priority advising and registration on designated New Student Orientation day.
  - c. Guaranteed on-campus housing in the upper class student housing community upon initial matriculation. Eligible students may re-contract for housing for subsequent years of study, per the established deadlines of the UMBC Office of Residential Life.
  - d. \$1,500 merit scholarship for each of two years of full-time study. This award can be accepted with other UMBC merit award offers.
7. Requirements:
  - a. Completion of an associate degree with a minimum cumulative 3.5 Composite-GPA within four years of initial TSA program qualification.
  - b. Enrollment at UMBC within one year of completion of the associate degree;
  - c. Not matriculated at any other institution of higher education after program acceptance.

*General oversight of this agreement:*

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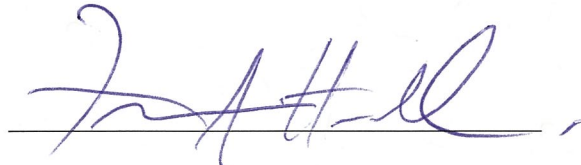


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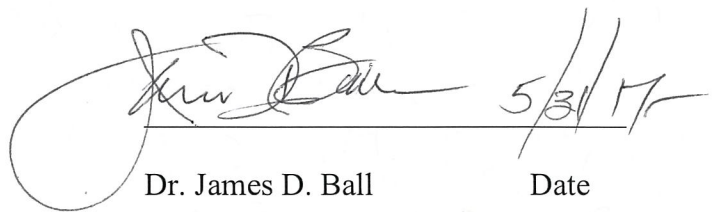
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Dr. Freeman A. Hrabowski III      Date

President



Dr. James D. Ball      Date

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