



# Pathways Transfer Articulation Agreement in Addiction Studies

Associate Degree (A.S.) in Addictions Counseling from Monroe Community College to a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Addiction Studies

Empire State College (ESC) and Monroe Community College (MCC), both of the State University of New York, agree to enter into a Pathways Transfer Agreement in Addiction Studies. The agreement is designed to support transfer students during their transition to Empire State College, and:

- Ease the transition process for MCC graduates to an educational model comprised of online courses, independent study, blended learning, and small group seminars;
- Ensure a smooth transfer for MCC graduates to Empire State College;
- Provide an affordable and convenient baccalaureate degree option for MCC graduates who want to remain close to their homes and/or community;
- Provide clear guidelines for MCC graduates to follow during the transition.

Empire State College will offer A.S. degree graduates in Addictions Counseling from MCC an opportunity to participate in the Pathways Transfer Program into a Bachelor of Science degree. Further, MCC graduates will be able to transfer all credits earned as part of their associate degree in Addiction Studies to ESC upon enrollment.

## How the Pathways Transfer Program Works

During their first year at Empire State College, students in the Pathways Transfer Program may, with advisement, elect to cross-register for additional credits at MCC beyond the associate degree (up to a total of 79 lower-division credits). These lower-division credits will be applicable to the baccalaureate degree program by satisfying SUNY General Education requirements or needed pre-requisite courses.

Empire State College requires 124 credits for a bachelor's degree, of which MCC graduates must complete a minimum of 31 credits at Empire State College. A minimum of 45 upper-division credits, 24 of which must be in the concentration, are required consistent with Empire State College's requirements for a bachelor's degree. The remaining 79 lower-division credits can be transferred in through transcripted credit or prior learning assessment. Each participating student will be able to transfer all credits earned as part of their A.S. degree to

Empire State College, as long as they fit into the student's designed bachelor's degree program (see Appendix B for additional details).

#### Benefits for MCC Transfer Students

Empire State College will provide the following benefits for participating MCC students:

- Waiver of the \$50 orientation fee
- Provision of a \$100 transfer scholarship in the first term of matriculated enrollment at Empire State College
- Guaranteed admission to a bachelor's degree program¹

To be eligible, MCC transfer students must have completed an associate degree within the last 3 years, or be in (or entering) their final semester of completing an associate degree.<sup>2</sup>

A unique application code for interested students to use during the admissions application process will be created by Empire State College and provided to appropriate staff members in the transfer advisement office at MCC for distribution.

#### Benefits for Employees of MCC

Employees of MCC may participate in the Pathways Transfer Program and become students at Empire State College by way of this agreement. Employees who hold an associate degree are eligible for the same benefits as are outlined above. Students who hold a bachelor's degree and are interested in a graduate degree program are also eligible for the benefits.<sup>3</sup>

To acquire the admission application code to access these benefits, please contact the transfer advisement office at MCC.

## Guidelines of the Agreement

As part of the agreement, Empire State College will provide the following: (1) individual educational planning and mentoring for all transferring Addictions Counseling students, (2) outreach to faculty and transfer office staff at MCC to provide program information, and (3) offer information sessions for students at MCC, at Empire State College locations, and online.

MCC agrees to provide: (1) access for cross-registered Pathways transfer students to campus facilities and resources (i.e. Library, academic support, computer labs), (2) promotion of the program on campus to current students, faculty advisors, and alumni, and (3) to include this transfer agreement in any college publications where such agreements are listed (i.e. college catalog, website, transfer office brochures).

<sup>1</sup> Empire State College's Bachelor of Science in Nursing program is not included in the guaranteed admission option

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Note that this applies only to the completion date of the associate degree, and not when all of the courses within the degree were completed. Please refer to "Appendix B", item #4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The guaranteed admission option does not apply for graduate degree and advanced certificate programs. Additional information can be found at www.esc.edu/graduate-studies/

Addictions Counseling A.S. to Addiction Studies B.S. students may enroll at Empire State College on a full or part-time basis. With advisement from their faculty mentor at ESC, students may elect to design a degree program similar to the one provided on pages 5-8 (Appendix A and B).

This agreement becomes effective when all signatures are affixed, and remains in effect for five years from that date (of last signature). The agreement may be amended or renewed by mutual agreement and will be formalized via revision of this agreement.

#### For Further Information

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## Signatures to the Agreement

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### Appendix A Sample Degree Plan

Degree:

Bachelor of Science Addiction Studies

Program:

## Monroe Community College – Addictions Counseling (A.S.): Experiential Track

ACD 140 Alcohol/Chemical Dependency and the Human Service Worker	3
HUM 101 Introduction to Human Services	4
HUM 111 Field work in Human Services I	2
ACD 142 Alcoholism/Chemical Dependency and the Family System	3
ACD 143 Alcoholism/Chemical Dependency Counseling Skills	3
ACD 144 Alcoholism/Chemical Dependency / Substance Abuse Group Counseling Skills	3
ACD 241 Alcoholism/Chemical Dependency – Treatment Modalities	3
ACD 245 Special Issues in the Field of Alcoholism / Chemical Dependency / Substance Abuse	3
ACD 246 Alcohol / Chemical Dependency Internship Seminar	6

ENG 101 College Composition or	3
ENG 200 Advanced Composition	
SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology	3
BIO 133 Human Biology with	4
BIO 132 Lab	4
General Education – Humanities elective	3
MTH 160 Statistics I	3
PSY 101 Introductory Psychology	3
General Education - Other World Civilizations	3
or Western Civilizations elective	3
General Education – American History elective	3
Health and Wellness elective	2
General Education – Arts or Foreign Language elective	3
General Education - Social Science elective	3

Total MCC Credit

(Potential additional lower-division credits at MCC<sup>4</sup>

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### SUNY Empire State College (Sample Only, Upper-Division)

PSYC 3040 Biological Psychology	4
PSYC 3010 Abnormal Psychology	4
HUSV 2020 Crisis Intervention	4
HUSV 3030 Group Work	4
ADDS 3005 Interventions for Addiction Disorders	4
ADDS 4010 Advanced Substance Abuse	1
Counseling	4
HUSV 3020 Documentation in Human Services	4
ADDS 4015 Evidence Based Substance Abuse	
Counseling	4
HUSV 3005 Advocacy in Human Service	4
HUSV 4020 Diversity in Human Service	4

<b>Educational Planning for Addiction Studies</b>	4
Electives	5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Any of these 16 credits not completed at Monroe Community College will be completed at Empire State College. Students should seek advisement from an ESC advisor in advance of selecting which courses to take to ensure they will fit into the baccalaureate degree plan.

ADDS 3020 Substance Abuse Interventions with Special Populations	4
ADDS 4005 Adolescents and Addictions	4
HUSV 4030 Human Service Ethics	4

<b>Total Empire State College Credit</b>	61
Degree Program Total	124

#### Appendix B Sample Degree Plan

Degree:

Bachelor of Science

Program:

**Addiction Studies** 

## Monroe Community College - Addictions Counseling (A.S.): Reentry/Incarceration Track

ACD 140 Alcohol/Chemical Dependency and the Human Service Worker	3
HUM 101 Introduction to Human Services	4
HUM 111 Field work in Human Services I	2
ACD 142 Alcoholism/Chemical Dependency and the Family System	3
ACD 143 Alcoholism/Chemical Dependency Counseling Skills	3
ACD 144 Alcoholism/Chemical Dependency / Substance Abuse Group Counseling Skills	3
ACD 241 Alcoholism/Chemical Dependency – Treatment Modalities	3
ACD 245 Special Issues in the Field of Alcoholism / Chemical Dependency / Substance Abuse	3
CRJ170 or 172 Introduction to Corrections or Institutional Procedures and Treatment of Inmates	3
HUM 220 Working with Clients Post- Incarceration	3

ENG 101 College Composition or ENG 200 Advanced Composition	3
SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology	3
BIO 133 Human Biology with BIO 132 Lab	4
General Education – Humanities elective	3
MTH 160 Statistics I	3
PSY 101 Introductory Psychology	3
General Education – Other World Civilizations or Western Civilizations elective	3
General Education – American History elective	3
Health and Wellness elective	2
General Education – Arts or Foreign Language elective	
SOC 203- Criminology	3

**Total MCC Credit** 

63

(Potential additional lower-division credits at MCC<sup>5</sup> 16)

### SUNY Empire State College (Sample Only, Upper-Division)

PSYC 3040 Biological Psychology	4
PSYC 3010 Abnormal Psychology	4
HUSV 2020 Crisis Intervention	4
HUSV 3030 Group Work	4
ADDS 3005 Interventions for Addiction Disorders	4
ADDS 4010 Advanced Substance Abuse Counseling	4
HUSV 3020 Documentation in Human Services	4
ADDS 4015 Evidence Based Substance Abuse Counseling	4
HUSV 3005 Advocacy in Human Service	4

<b>Educational Planning for Addiction Studies</b>	4
Electives	5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Any of these 16 credits not completed at Monroe Community College will be completed at Empire State College. Students should seek advisement from an ESC advisor in advance of selecting which courses to take to ensure they will fit into the baccalaureate degree plan.

HUSV 4020 Diversity in Human Service	4
ADDS 3020 Substance Abuse Interventions with Special Populations	4
ADDS 4005 Adolescents and Addictions	4
HUSV 4030 Human Service Ethics	4

Total Empire State College Credit	61
Degree Program Total	124

#### Appendix C Empire State College Policies and Procedures for Transfer

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- 1. Students successfully completing degree requirements for an A.A., A.S., or A.S. and transferring in the entire associate degree will be able to transfer to Empire State College all credit earned for the associate degree, including "D" grades that are part of the completed degree. If the entire associate degree is not used toward the Empire State College degree program, "D" grades are not transferable.
- 2. The residency requirement for a 124 credit bachelor's degree is 31 credits. Students may transfer in up to the remaining 93 total credits (up to 79 lower-division credits) through transcripted credit and/or prior learning assessment. A student may exceed stated credit minimums in certain circumstances to preserve the integrity of components that meet degree requirements.
- 3. Any courses taken at Monroe Community College beyond the associate degree will be evaluated for transfer separately from the associate degree based on Empire State College's advance standing policies.
- 4. There is no statute of limitations regarding the age of acceptable learning substantiated by transcript except in some areas, technologies and science for instance, where that learning may be outmoded and may not be accepted if it is crucial to the structure of a degree program concentration.
- 5. Students earning a bachelor's degree from Empire State College must fulfill all graduation requirements, which include completing 45 advanced-level credits of which 24 are in the concentration. SUNY also requires the completion of 30 general education credits across 7 of 10 designated areas, including mathematics and basic communication.
- 6. All students need to complete the application process and meet all admissions criteria before being accepted to Empire State College. Students must submit the Empire State College Application for Admission form along with an official transcript(s) of their completed course work to the Office of Admissions, Empire State College, 2 Union Avenue, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. These forms can be found at <a href="https://www.esc.edu/admissions">www.esc.edu/admissions</a>.
  - Active, Reserve and Guard Army soldiers should apply and register through the GoArmyEd portal <a href="https://www.goarmyed.com">https://www.goarmyed.com</a>. Soldiers may contact the Office of Veteran and Military Education for assistance at <a href="military.programs@esc.edu">military.programs@esc.edu</a> or 518-587-2100 ext. 2779.
- 7. Both colleges acknowledge the confidential nature of student information that may be exchanged between them. As such, both colleges agree that this information must be kept secure, confidential, and only disclosed for academic reasons. Student information will not be shared with third parties, and all FERPA regulations will be adhered to.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Prior learning assessment includes NYSED approved degree granting institutions, Pre-evaluated credit (NCCRS, ACE, ESC PLE) and other approved sources. For full list visit: <a href="http://www.esc.edu/degree-planning-academic-review/prior-learning-assessment/evaluation-prior-college-level-learning/">http://www.esc.edu/degree-planning-academic-review/prior-learning-assessment/evaluation-prior-college-level-learning/</a>