



Monroe Community College
STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK



SUNY EMPIRE
STATE COLLEGE

Pathways Transfer Articulation Agreement in Allied Health

Associate Degree (A.A.S.) in Dental Hygiene to a
Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Allied Health

Empire State College (SUNY Empire) and Monroe Community College (MCC), both of the State University of New York, agree to develop a Pathways Transfer Agreement in Allied Health. 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 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.A.S. degree graduates in Dental Hygiene from Monroe Community College an opportunity to participate in the Pathways Transfer Program into a Bachelor of Science degree. Further, MCC graduates will be able to transfer all 68 credits earned as part of their associate degree in Dental Hygiene to SUNY Empire upon enrollment.

How the Pathways Transfer Program Works

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

SUNY Empire 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 SUNY Empire's requirements for a bachelor's degree. The remaining 79 lower-division credits can be transferred in through transcribed credit or prior learning assessment. Each participating student will be able to transfer all credits earned as part of their A.A.S. degree to SUNY Empire, as long as they fit into the student's designed bachelor's degree program (see Appendix B for additional details). Additional sources of advanced standing credits may include:

- Individualized Prior Learning Assessment (iPLA)
- Transcript credit from a regionally accredited college or university
- Standardized exams, such as CLEP or other exams
- Military credit evaluated by the American Council on Education (ACE)
- Licenses or training evaluated by Empire State College

Benefits for Monroe Community College Transfer Students

SUNY Empire will provide the following benefits for participating MCC students:

- Guaranteed admission to the B.S. in Allied Health degree program
- Waiver of the \$50 orientation fee
- Provision of a \$100 Better Together transfer scholarship in the first term of matriculation at SUNY Empire

To be eligible, MCC transfer students must have completed an associate degree within the last 3 years, or be in their final semester of completing an associate degree.¹

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 Monroe Community College.

Benefits for Active Military, Veterans, and Spouses

Empire State College has a long-standing commitment of supporting active military, veterans and family members, and enthusiastically pledges to maintain its commitment to provide the following benefits and services to military-aligned students, and as they may be amended from time to time by SUNY Empire:

- Pre-enrollment advising and an Evaluated Education Plan (EEP) with a review of anticipated transfer credits prior to enrollment
- Waive all mandatory fees for military members (active-duty, guard, reserve and veterans) along with their spouses. Waived fees include: orientation fee, college fee, student activity fee, technology fee, health and wellness fee, portfolio (assessment) fee, and program amendment fee.
- Individualized Prior Learning Assessment (iPLA) fees are waived for military members
- Support military-aligned students through Veterans Affairs (VA) and Tuition Assistance (TA) funding processes
- Access to the Office of Veteran and Military Education (OVME) and its dedicated resources to support student success all the way through to degree completion.

¹ 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.

Guidelines to the Agreement

As part of the agreement, SUNY Empire will provide the following: (1) individual educational planning and mentoring for all transferring Dental Hygiene 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.

Monroe Community College 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).

Dental Hygiene (A.A.S.) to Allied Health (B.S.) students may enroll at SUNY Empire on a full or part-time basis. With advisement from their faculty mentor at SUNY Empire, students may elect to design a degree program similar to the sample provided in Appendix A.

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

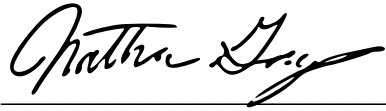
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Signatures to the Agreement

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4/9/21

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Date

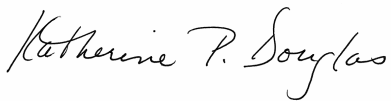


Dr. Kim Stote
Dean, School of Nursing and Allied Health

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MONROE COMMUNITY COLLEGE



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Provost and Vice President of Academic Services

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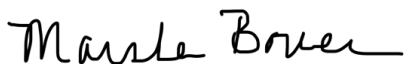
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**Appendix A –
Sample Degree Pathway**

Monroe Community College – Dental Hygiene, A.A.S.

DEN 110 Dental Health Education	1
DEN 111 Dental Radiography I	2
DEN 112 Oral Anatomy and Physiology I	2
DEN 113 Barrier Precautions and Infection Control Measures	1
DEN 114 Dental Hygiene I	2
DEN 115 Clinical Dental Hygiene I	2
DEN 121 Dental Radiography II	2
DEN 122 Oral Anatomy and Physiology II	2
DEN 123 Oral Pathology I	1
DEN 124 Dental Hygiene II	1
DEN 125 Clinical Dental Hygiene II	4
DEN 129 Periodontics I	1
DEN 211 Dental Materials	2
DEN 212 Community Dentistry I	1
DEN 213 Oral Pathology II	1
DEN 214 Dental Hygiene III	2
DEN 215 Clinical Dental Hygiene III	4
DEN 216 Dental Therapeutics I	1
DEN 217 Dental Specialties	1
DEN 219 Periodontics II	1
DEN 222 Community Dentistry II	1
DEN 224 Dental Hygiene IV	1
DEN 225 Clinical Dental Hygiene IV	4
DEN 226 Therapeutics II	1
DEN 228 Dental Office Management / Business Practice	1
DEN 229 Periodontics III	1

BIO 134 Essentials of Human Anatomy & Physiology I	3
BIO 135 Essentials of Human Anatomy & Physiology II	3
BIO 202 Microbiology	4
BIO 217 Nutrition	3
ENG 101 College Composition or ENG 200 Advanced Composition	3
SPC 141 Interpersonal Communication or SPC 144 Communication and Crisis	3
PSY 101 Introductory Psychology	3
SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology	3

Total MCC Credit 68

SUNY Empire State College – Allied Health, B.S. (Upper-division, sample only)

The United States Health Systems	4
Cultural Competency in Health Care	4
Health Care Policy	4
Leadership in Health Care	4
Health Care Ethics	4
Health Informatics	4
Educational Planning: Transition to Baccalaureate Health Professions	4

General Education elective	4
General Education elective: Humanities (suggested: Medical Humanities)	4
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Elective	4
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**Total Empire State College Credit 56
Degree Program Total 124**

Suggested Courses for Elective Areas:

Education

Practicum – Student Teaching (4 credits)

Adults as Learners: Theories and Strategies (4 credits)

Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment or Educational Psychology (4 credits)

Learning Styles (2 credits)

Management

Health Care Management (4 credits)

Health Care Economics (4 credits)

Organizational Behavior (4 credits)

Current Issues in Health Care Management (2 credit)

Community Health

Community Health (4 credits)

Epidemiology (4 credits)

Health Psychology or Environmental Health (4 credits)

Current Issues in Health or Proposal Writing or Learning Styles (2 credits)

Biosciences

Genetics (4 credits)

Biochemistry (4 credits)

Cell Biology or Molecular Biology (4 credits)

Current Issues in Bioscience (2 credits)

Appendix B - Empire State College Policies and Procedures for Transfer

1. Students successfully completing degree requirements for an A.A., A.S., or A.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 the remaining 93 credits (up to 79 lower-division credits) through transcribed credit and/or prior learning assessment². 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 www.esc.edu/admissions.

Active, Reserve and Guard Army soldiers should apply and register through the GoArmyEd portal - <https://www.goarmyed.com>. Soldiers may contact the Office of Veteran and Military Education for assistance at military.programs@esc.edu or 518-587-2100 ext. 2779.

² Prior learning assessment includes NYSED approved degree granting institutions, Pre-evaluated credit (NCCRS, ACE, SUNY Empire PLE) and other approved sources. For full list visit: <http://www.esc.edu/degree-planning-academic-review/prior-learning-assessment/evaluation-prior-college-level-learning/>