



Pathways Transfer Program Articulation Agreement in Addiction Studies

Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counseling (A.A.S.) to Addiction Studies (B.S.)

Empire State College (SUNY Empire) and Sullivan County Community College (SUNY Sullivan), both of the State University of New York, agree to develop a Pathways Transfer Agreement in Addiction Studies. The agreement is designed to support transfer students during their transition to SUNY Empire, and:

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

SUNY Empire will offer graduates with an A.A.S. degree in Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counseling from SUNY Sullivan an opportunity to participate in the Pathways Transfer Program into the B.S. in Addiction Studies program at SUNY Empire. SUNY Sullivan graduates meeting SUNY Empire's admissions requirements will become SUNY Empire students upon admission.

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 SUNY Sullivan 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 prerequisite courses.

SUNY Empire requires 124 credits for a bachelor's degree, of which SUNY Sullivan graduates must complete a minimum of 31 credits (in residency) at SUNY Empire. 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).

Benefits for SUNY Sullivan Transfer Students:

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

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

To be eligible, SUNY Sullivan transfer students must have completed an associate degree within the last three years, or be in (or entering) 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 SUNY Empire and provided to appropriate staff members in the transfer advisement office at SUNY Sullivan for distribution.

Benefits for Employees of SUNY Sullivan:

Employees of SUNY Sullivan may participate in the Pathways Transfer Program and become students at SUNY Empire 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 following benefits:

- Waiver of the \$50 orientation fee
- Provision of a \$100 transfer scholarship in the first term of matriculated enrollment at SUNY Empire
- A single point of contact at the School for Graduate Studies to guide new students through the admissions, enrollment and orientation process. The contact for SUNY Sullivan employees is:

Evan Reese
Graduate Outreach and Academic Advisement Coordinator
Evan.Reese@esc.edu
(800) 847-3000 ext. 2904

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

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 of the Agreement:

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

SUNY Sullivan 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).

Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counseling (A.A.S.) to Addiction Studies (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, as of the date of last signature, and will be in effect for five years. The agreement may be amended or renewed by mutual agreement and will be formalized via revision of this agreement.

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Officer in Charge

11/2/2020

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Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

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Dean, School of Human Services

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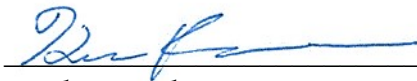
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President

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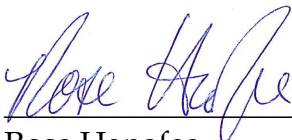
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Dean of Liberal Arts, Sciences, and Health Sciences

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Appendix A: Sample Degree Plan

Degree: Bachelor of Science
Area of Study: Addiction Studies

SUNY Sullivan County Community College – Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counseling, A.A.S.

MHA 1510 Introduction to Human Services	3
ADA 1520 Drug Use & Abuse	4
MHA 2502 Introduction to Counseling	3
ADA 1510 Alcoholism	3
ADA 1909 ADA Field Experience I	5
PSY 2506 Abnormal Psychology	3
MHA 1930 HS Skills Exploration	3
MHA 2110 Professional Ethics in Human Services	3
ADA 2565 ADA Counseling Practicum	3
ADA 2600 Family Counseling and Chemical Dependency	3
PSY 2510 Developmental Psychology	3

ENG 1001 English Composition I	3
ENG 2005 English Composition II	3
PSY 1500 General Psychology	3
PSY 1600 Statistics for the Social Sciences	3
SOC 1600 Introduction to Sociology	3
SCI 1050 Introduction to Biology with Lab	4
SOC 2609 Race, Class and Gender	3
ENG 1301 Fundamentals of Speech	3

Total SUNY Sullivan Credit 61

SUNY Empire State College – Addiction Studies, B.S. (all courses are available online)

PSYC 3040 Biological Psychology	4
HUSV 2020 Crisis Intervention	4
HUSV 3005 Advocacy in Human Services	4
HUSV 3020 Documentation in Human Services	4
HUSV 3030 Group Work	4
HUSV 4020 Diversity in Human Services	4
HUSV 4030 Human Service Ethics	4
ADDS 3005 Interventions for Addiction Disorders	4
ADDS 3020 Substance Abuse Interventions with Special Populations	4
ADDS 4005 Adolescents and Addictions	4
ADDS 4010 Advanced Substance Abuse Counseling	4
ADDS 4015 Evidence Based Substance Abuse Counseling	4
Program elective (advanced level)	3

Educational Planning for Addiction Studies	4
General Education elective	4
General Education elective	4

Total SUNY Empire Credit 63
Degree Program Total 124

Appendix B: SUNY Empire Policies and Procedures for Transfer

1. Students successfully completing degree requirements for an A.A., A.A.S., or A.A.A.S. and transferring in the entire associate degree will be able to transfer to SUNY Empire 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 SUNY Empire 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 transcribed credit and/or prior learning assessment.² 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 SUNY Sullivan beyond the associate degree will be evaluated for transfer separately from the associate degree based on SUNY Empire’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 SUNY Empire 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 SUNY Empire. Students must submit the SUNY Empire Application for Admission form along with an official transcript(s) of their completed course work to the Office of Admissions, SUNY Empire, 111 West 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.
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.

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/>