



## ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

### **Bachelor's Degree Completion for CCAC Students at Chatham University**

This ARTICULATION AGREEMENT ("Agreement"), made on this third day of October 2024 ("Effective Date"), is entered into between CHATHAM University (the "University" or "Chatham") and THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY ("CCAC"), each of which are referred to herein as a "Party" and collectively as "Parties."

WHEREAS, Chatham is a non-profit institution of higher education fully accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education ("MSCHE") as a degree granting institution, located at 107 Woodland Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15232;

WHEREAS, CCAC is a non-profit, public entity with multiple campuses throughout Allegheny County having its main business office located at 800 Allegheny Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15233;

WHEREAS, Chatham wishes to provide a mechanism that will enable CCAC students who have successfully completed an Associate Degree in Arts or an Associate Degree in Science ("Associate Degree") at any one of CCAC's current or future campuses and who meet the University's admissions requirements, hereinafter referred to as "Eligible Students," to enroll at the University and receive advanced standing for competencies successfully achieved in their CCAC program;

WHEREAS, Eligible Students will receive junior status at the University in the appropriate Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science ("Bachelor's Degree") degree to continue their education and pursue the completion of a Bachelor's Degree;

WHEREAS, CCAC also wishes to provide a mechanism that will enable its Eligible Students to participate in the Advanced Standing Program at the University;

THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound, hereby covenant and agree to the following terms:

1. Transfer of Credit. Advanced Standing will be granted to Eligible Students who have completed the CCAC Associate Degree program and intend to transfer into a Chatham Bachelor's Degree program, as shown in Exhibit A. Within the context of this Agreement, Chatham agrees to accept as transfer credits only those credits and courses related to the programs outlined in Exhibit A for Eligible Students. CCAC students interested in transferring to Chatham not through this agreement will have credits evaluated in accordance with Chatham's transfer credit policy.

2. Program Requirements. Acceptance into Chatham will be granted to Eligible Students who have completed the requirements for graduation from CCAC in good academic standing.
3. Cost. There will not be a University charge for CCAC credits awarded through this Agreement.
4. Notice of Non-Discrimination, Equal Opportunity, and Diversity Initiatives. Inquires regarding Title IX and Title IX regulations should be referred to Chatham's Title IX Office ([TitleIX@chatham.edu](mailto:TitleIX@chatham.edu)).
5. Term. This Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and shall remain in effect for a period of five (5) years. Thereafter, the Agreement may be renewed upon terms mutually agreeable to the parties.
6. Termination for Convenience. This agreement shall become effective upon signing by the appropriate individuals at both institutions and shall remain in effect until terminated at the will of either Party. The agreement may be cancelled by either Party with ninety (90) days written notice; however, the opportunity shall remain available to any student who was previously enrolled (and remained continuously enrolled) while the agreement was in effect.
7. Written Modification. This Agreement may be modified by mutual agreement as needed in the event of modification, cancellation, discontinuance, or disapproval of any course or program by either Party. CCAC shall provide prior notification to Chatham if there are material changes to the content of its exiting curriculum and/or changes to the total number of credits which its students must successfully complete to graduate from CCAC with the Associate Degree. Chatham will provide prior notification to CCAC if there are material changes to this curriculum during the term of this Agreement.
8. Advertisement. Neither Party shall make use of the other Party's trademarks, trade names, and service marks nor shall a Party advertise or publicize the Advance Standing Program externally without the other Party's written consent, which will not be unreasonably withheld.
9. Management. The Completion Program for CCAC graduates offered under the terms of this agreement will be managed at the operational level by Chatham University in consultation with the CCAC Program.
10. Academics. Chatham will provide guaranteed admission into the degree programs listed in Exhibit A at the time of admission into CCAC's corresponding Associate Degree programs subject to the following condition: CCAC students must successfully graduate from the Associate Degree program in order to receive this guaranteed admission. The Completion Program will be offered at Chatham by faculty employed by Chatham to teach the courses required of the degree programs in Exhibit A. Chatham's requirements for receiving a Bachelor's degree pursuant to the Completion Program are as follows:



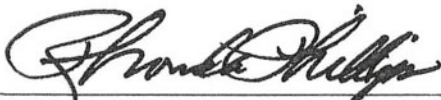
- a. Satisfactory completion of a total of 120 college-level credit hours;
- b. A cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 at Chatham;
- c. Receiving a C- or above in all major courses;
- d. Completion of 50% of all major courses at Chatham; and
- e. Completion of a minimum of 30 credits at Chatham.

Students and advisors should refer to the current Chatham catalog for a full list of requirements.

- 11. Financial Aid. Full-time, on-ground students meeting the conditions for acceptance will be eligible for an academic merit scholarship. By submitting the FAFSA, all transfer students are considered for need-based aid. Students who are members of Phi Theta Kappa may receive a renewable scholarship up to \$2,000 per year.
- 12. Compliance. This Agreement shall be subject to institutional compliance with all local, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and federal laws, as well as compliance with the policies of the relevant regional accrediting body (MSCHE).
- 13. Entire Agreement. This Agreement sets forth the entire Agreement between the parties related to the subject matter herein. No waiver, modification, or amendment of any of the terms of the Agreement shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have signed this Articulation Agreement effective as of the dates set forth below.

FOR CHATHAM UNIVERSITY:



Rhonda Phillips, PhD, FAICP  
President



Lisa Lambert, PhD  
Provost and Vice President for  
Academic Affairs


October 3, 2024

Date

FOR CCAC:



Quintin B. Bullock, DDS  
President



Stephen H. Wells, PhD  
Provost and Chief Academic Officer

10/4/2024

Date

## EXHIBIT A

### Program-to-Program Articulation

| <i>CCAC Academic Majors</i>           | <i>Chatham Transfer Options</i>           |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Criminal Justice and Criminology (AS) | Criminology (BA)                          |
| Psychology (AS)                       | Psychology (BA)                           |
| Social Work Foundation (AS)           | Social Work (BSW)                         |
| Biology (AS)                          | Biology – Human Biology (BS)              |
| Biology (AS)                          | Biology – Cell and Molecular Biology (BS) |
| Biology (AS)                          | Neuroscience (BS)                         |
| Chemistry (AS)                        | Chemistry (BS)                            |
| Chemistry (AS)                        | Biochemistry (BS)                         |
| Accounting (AS)                       | Accounting (BA)                           |
| Business (AS)                         | Management (BA)                           |