

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
For
Mass Communications (Public Relations)

Between
John Tyler Community College (JTCC)
And
Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU)

For students planning to pursue a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Mass Communications with a concentration in public relations at VCU.

Purpose: This memorandum of understanding has been developed within the framework of the Virginia State Policy on Transfer (<http://www.schev.edu/students/StatePolicyOnTransfer.pdf>) to facilitate the transition for students with Associate of Science (A.S.) degrees in General Studies with a specialization in mass communications at John Tyler Community College into the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree program in Mass Communications with a concentration in public relations at Virginia Commonwealth University.

JTCC will advertise this program to the general public within the JTCC service area. The program will be promoted in the JTCC catalog, on the website and in other publicity material. Representatives of JTCC and VCU will call attention to this articulation agreement when advising students.

Eligible Students:

Eligible students are those who meet the following criteria:

- a) Earn an Associate of Science degree in General Studies with a specialization in mass communications at John Tyler Community College;
- b) Earn a minimum cumulative college-level grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale; and
- c) Earn an individual grade no lower than a C in any courses listed on the Mass Communications Transfer Program Table.

Admission to Virginia Commonwealth University:

VCU guarantees admission into its B.S. program in Mass Communications with junior standing to eligible students who have completed the A.S. in General Studies with a specialization in mass communications at JTCC.

Transfer of Credits:

A maximum of 63 credits from the JTCC A.S. in General Studies degree will be accepted and applied toward completion of the B.S. in Mass Communications. The attached "Mass Communications Transfer Program Table" lists the respective transfer credits that will be awarded by VCU for courses offered by JTCC for transfer under the terms of the Agreement. This table will be updated as curricula evolve. Courses listed in this program will be reviewed, as needed, by the faculty of both institutions to ensure continuity of instruction, curriculum, and evaluation.

Students can transfer credits back to JTCC from VCU, pursuant to JTCC policies.

Additional Terms:

1. JTCC students who have not completed the A.S. program will be considered for admission into the VCU B.S. program according to the VCU general admissions policies. Students who transfer prior to the completion of the Associate degree program will have their courses evaluated individually by the VCU Transfer Center. The course equivalencies as stated in the Mass Communications Transfer Program Table are based on the completion of the Associate degree program prior to transfer, and are not guaranteed to students who enroll at VCU prior to completion of the A.S. degree at JTCC. Therefore, students are encouraged to complete the Associate degree prior to matriculating to VCU.
2. VCU course credit cannot be given for transfer courses in which the student earned below a "C" grade.
3. Students who elect to pursue a different degree program at VCU will be subject to a reevaluation of transferable credits to their elected course of study.
4. Students who intend to transfer to VCU under the terms of this agreement must complete the online *Letter of Interest* after completing 15 transferable credit hours at JTCC. The *Letter of Interest* form can be found on the VCU Office of Admissions website (<http://ugrad.vcu.edu/apply/transfer/agreements.html>). Students who submit the *Letter of Interest* will be contacted periodically by VCU representatives with important information to facilitate a successful transfer to VCU. VCU will work with students who have a *Letter of Interest* on file to ensure that curriculum changes made after the *Letter of Interest* is received but prior to matriculation to VCU will not negatively impact the admissions decision.


The terms of this articulation agreement shall be reviewed every three years. Either party to this agreement may withdraw from this agreement by providing written notice one year in advance of their intention to withdraw to the primary contact at the other institution. The primary contact at JTCC shall be the Vice President for Academic Affairs at (804-706-5004 or 804-594-1406). The primary contact for the agreement and related matters at VCU shall be the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies in the College of Humanities and Sciences at (804) 827-8211.

APPROVE:



President of John Tyler Community College

4/29/15
Date



President of Virginia Commonwealth University

04/21/15
Date

**ADDENDUM
TO
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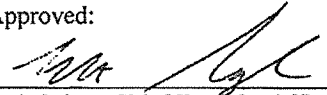
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MASS COMMUNICATIONS TRANSFER PROGRAM TABLE (REVISED)
(Update of MTH course options)

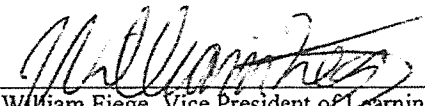
| JTCC Course | Credits | VCU Course | Credits |
|--|----------|------------------------------|----------|
| First semester | | | |
| ENG 111 | 3 | UNIV 111 + UNIV 112 | 3 |
| CST 100 OR CST 110 | 3 | SPCH 121 | 3 |
| MTH 158 or MTH 163 or MTH 157 (NEW) | 3 | MATH 141 STAT 210 | 3 |
| ITE 115 | 3 | INFO 160, 161, & 162 | 3 |
| SDV 100 | 1 | Not Transferable | 0 |
| HIS 121 | 3 | HIST 103 | 3 |
| Total | 16 | Total | 15 |
| Second semester | | | |
| ENG 112 | 3 | UNIV 200 | 3 |
| CST 114 | 3 | MASC 101 | 3 |
| MTH 240 or MTH 170 (NEW) | 3 | STAT 210 MATH 131 | 3 |
| HIS 122 | 3 | HIST 104 | 3 |
| ECO 120 | 3 | ECON 203 | 3 |
| Total | 15 | Total | 15 |
| Third semester | | | |
| MKT 221 | 3 | MASC 210 | 3 |
| PHI 220 | 3 | PHIL 211 | 3 |
| ENG 210 | 3 | ENGL 304 | 3 |
| Laboratory Science Elective | 4 | VCU equivalent | 4 |
| Literature Elective | 3 | VCU equivalent | 3 |
| Total | 16 | Total | 16 |
| Fourth semester | | | |
| PLS 135 | 3 | POLI 103 | 3 |
| Laboratory Science Elective | 4 | VCU equivalent | 4 |
| Communication Studies or Theatre Elective | 3 | VCU equivalent | 3 |
| Physical Education/Health Elective | 1 | VCU equivalent | 1 |
| Transfer Elective | 3 | VCU equivalent | 3 |
| Total | 14 | Total | 14 |
| Total Credits | 61 | Total Credits | 60 |

Approved:


Seth Sykes, Chief Transfer Officer
Virginia Commonwealth University

Date

9/16/2016


William Fiege, Vice President of Learning & Student Success
John Tyler Community College

Date

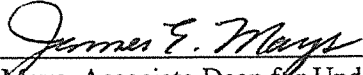
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VCU REVIEWERS:



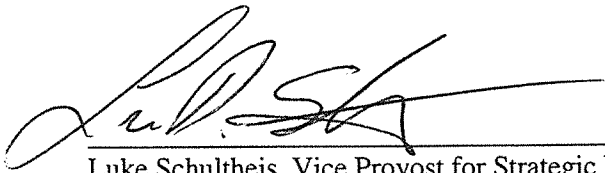
Dr. Hong Cheng, Director
Richard T. Robertson School of Media and Culture

4/8/15
Date



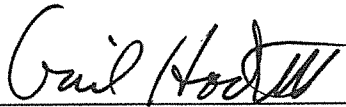
James Mays, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies
College of Humanities and Sciences

4/9/15
Date



Luke Schultheis, Vice Provost for Strategic Enrollment
Management

4/9/15
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Gail Hackett, Provost and Vice President
for Academic Affairs

4/21/15
Date