



TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
between
MERCY COLLEGE
and
BERGEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

General Stipulations

Bergen Community College students who graduate with an A.A., A.S. or A.A.S. degree in specified programs and with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 will be granted "junior" or upper-level status at Mercy College. Certain programs within the College have higher GPA and further admissions standards, as specified in the Mercy College catalogue.

Upon transferring into Mercy College, qualified Bergen CC graduates will be awarded up to a maximum of **75 credits** earned at Bergen CC as applicable to specified programs and/or institutional requirements at Mercy College.

For Bergen CC graduates with an associate's degree, courses for transfer must have been passed with a grade of "D" or better. However, only grades of "C" or better will be applied toward the student's major unless otherwise specified for a particular major program. Other passed courses may be applied toward general education or elective credit. * (see specific terms #4)

Students who have determined their future major should consult the Mercy College major sheets to guide their choice of electives if they wish to apply them to the major. In checking the major sheets, they should note that each major determines how many courses toward the major must be taken at Mercy.

Each transferring student will be assigned an academic advisor who will assist in charting a comprehensive academic program plan allowing for graduation in the shortest time possible; usually two years of full-time study or its part-time equivalent.

Students who transfer from Bergen CC to Mercy College are expected to adhere to general academic policies and procedures required for admission to the College, and to fulfill any particular requirements regarding GPA, prerequisites, clinical experience, etc. that are needed for certain academic programs at the College.

The Mercy College catalogue specifies all relevant policies and procedures. As long as the student maintains active matriculation they will not be expected to meet adjusted requirements if they differ from those stated in the relevant catalogue upon matriculation at Mercy College.

All transfer students will need to successfully satisfy the Mercy College General Education Curriculum requirements. These include components in Communication and Quantitative Skills as well as Scientific, Historical, Social, and Cross-Cultural Perspectives.

In addition, students with an AA, AS or AAS degree which includes 48 liberal arts credits will be considered as having fulfilled the general education requirements with the exception of any courses which serve as prerequisites for major coursework.

Specific objectives of the agreement

1. To promote the transfer of qualified BCC students in the AAS degree program in Graphic Design/Computer Graphics and Graphic Design/Computer Animation into the BFA degree program in Computer Arts + Design at Mercy College.
2. To provide admission information by way of fliers, catalogs, brochures, and seminars to BCC students who may wish to pursue their studies at Mercy College.
3. To attract students to BCC and Mercy who are interested in taking advantage of the benefits of this articulation agreement.
4. To provide a program of suggested courses that would ensure that students meet both the requirements of the AAS degree at BCC and would transfer to the BS degree at Mercy College without a loss of credits.
5. To counsel and mentor BCC students interested in transferring to Mercy College to ensure that they have the proper prerequisites for the BFA program.
6. To encourage academic coordination and other faculty/administrative interaction to facilitate the transfer process.
7. To periodically meet to evaluate the success of the articulation agreement and devise methods to continue to improve/strengthen it.
8. To increase the number of students from BCC who successfully complete both the Associates and Bachelors degree programs.

Specific terms of this agreement

1. Each party will designate a transfer advisor to serve as a liaison and to implement the logistics of this agreement. Mercy College may be represented at BCC transfer student events by representatives from both Mercy College admissions staff and faculty. Mercy College may also sponsor a BCC transfer day at Mercy College where prospective students may meet with Mercy College faculty.
2. The curriculum chairperson and transfer counselors at BCC will make available to students advisement sheets outlining specific course requirements and sequences necessary to meet both the graduation requirements for the AAS degree at BCC and the BFA degree at Mercy College. These sheets will be updated as necessary. (See appendices A, B and C.)

3. An interview with the Program Director for Computer Arts + Design, an essay and a portfolio review is required before a final determination on transfer credits is completed.
4. Mercy College will accept all BCC courses cooperatively agreed upon and designated in the schedules of courses (attached) as equivalent for transfer and satisfying the prerequisite requirements for admission into the respective programs at Mercy. ***The Computer Arts + Design program requires a minimum grade of "C+"(2.33) for any major level course to transfer as the equivalent designated in the attached tracking sheet.** All other courses may be transferred to General Education or Open electives with a minimum grade of D or better.
5. There is a 21 credit residency requirement in the major concentration of Computer Arts + Design.
6. The Mercy College application fee will be waived for students participating in this articulation agreement.
7. The college coordinators agree to review and update this agreement and the recommended schedule of courses whenever substantial changes in the admission requirements, courses, or programs of either institution occur.
8. This agreement will remain in effect until one of the parties indicates an interest in terminating it. The party wishing to terminate should give one year's notice.

The undersigned attest that they are duly authorized to enter into this agreement on behalf of Mercy College and Bergen Community College respectively.

In witness whereof, the parties have fully executed this agreement on the day, month and year last written below.

For Mercy College:

For Bergen Community College

 Michael Sperling, Provost and
 Vice President for Academic Affairs

 G. Jeremiah Ryan,
 President

 Date

 Date

 Jeff Bellantoni, Program Director for
 Music Industry and Technology

 Amparo Coddling, Dean,
 Humanities

 Date

 Date

Bergen Community College- MERCY COLLEGE Table of Equivalencies

Course Number	Course Title	Credits	Mercy	Credits	
ARTT-122	Two Dimensional Design	3	CART110	3	Major Requirement
ART-124 or ART 123	Drawing fundamentals	3	CART200	3	Major Requirement
ART-126	Intro. to Computer Graphics for the Visual Arts	3	CART120	3	Major Requirement
WRT-101	English Composition I	3	ENGL111	3	Gen. Ed.
	Humanities Elective	3	Gen. Ed.	3	Gen. Ed.
ART-226	Letterform and Type	3	CART231	3	Major Requirement
ART-289	Computer 2d illustration	3	CART225	3	Major Requirement
ART-297	Computer imaging	3	CART elective	3	CART elective
WEX-101	Dynamics of Health and Fitness	2	Open elective	2	Open elective
WRT-201	English Composition II	3	ENGL112	3	Open elective
	Studio Art elective ART-181 Photography	3	Open elective	3	Open elective
ART-260	Graphic Design I	3	CART elective	3	CART elective
ART-287	Computer Layout I	3	Open electives	3	Open elective
	Studio Art elective ART-259 Computer Graphics for the Web Designer	3	Open elective	3	Open elective
	Humanities elective ART-102	3	ART107	3	Gen. Ed.
	Natural Science or math elective*	3	Math or Science	3	Gen. Ed.
WEX	Dynamics of Health and Fitness	1	elective	1	Open elective
ART-261	Graphic Design II	3	CART 232	3	Major elective
ART-271	Portfolio Presentation	2	Open elective	2	Open elective
Art-288	Computer layout II	3	Open elective	3	Open elective
	Studio Art Elective	3	Open elective	3	Open elective
	Studio Art Elective	2	Open elective	2	Open elective
	Social Science Elective *	3	Gen Ed	3	Gen. Ed.
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Mercy College Requirements for BFA in Computer Arts and Design 120 Credits (A.A.S.); Computer Animation and Graphic Design/Computer Graphics

Note: portfolio review by Mercy committee required prior to acceptance

BCC tracks: (a) Computer Animation; (b) Graphic Design/Computer Graphics

General Education 36 credits	Mercy College course	Credits	BCC Course	Required for AAS degree
ENGL111*	Written English and Literary Studies I	3	WRT-101	X
ENGL112*	Written English and Literary Studies II	3	WRT-201	X
SPCM110	Oral Communication	3		
MUSI107	Music Appreciation	3		
HIST101-119	History	3	*Humanities elective	X
PSYN101, SOCL101, POLS101 or ECON115	Intro. To Psychology, Sociology, Government or Economics	3	** Social Science elective	X
Math	College Algebra or Math for the Liberal Arts	3	Science or math elective	X
Science	Any Natural Science course	3		
Junior Seminar	Must take at Mercy College	3		
CART Major 78 credits - 21 credits must be taken in residency at Mercy College				
CART110	Foundation: Drawing + Design	3	ART-122	X
CART120	Foundation: Digital Theory + Skills	3	ART-126	X
CART200	Drawing I	3	ART-123 or ART-124	X
CART214	Drawing II	3		
CART215	History of Art I	3	ART-102	
CART216	History of Art II	3	ART-103	
CART225	Design + Color	3	ART-289	X
CART231	Visual Thinking I	3	ART-226	
CART240	Sequence, Time + Space	3	ART-290(a)	
CART245	Sound Design	3		
CART300	Drawing III	3		
CART315	Issues in Computer Arts: Animation	3	ART 105/CIN 150(a)	
CART316	Issues in Computer Arts Design	3	ART-104	
CART495	Senior Studio	3		
CART496	Senior Project	3		
Major Electives 33 credits 11 courses chosen from below				
CART232	Visual Thinking II	3	ART-261(b)	X

CART250	Modeling for Digital Animation I	3	ART-292(a) or ART-293(b)	X
CART255	Modeling for Digital Animation II	3		
CART320	Kinetic Imagery I	3		
CART325	Kinetic Imagery II	3	ART-291(a)	X
CART330	Color + Paint	3	ART-227	
CART335	Visual Storytelling	3		
CART340	Digital Animation I	3		
CART345	Digital Animation II	3		
CART440	Digital Animation III	3		
CART350	Digital Media + Interaction Design I	3	ART-298(a)	X
CART355	Digital Media + Interaction Design II	3		
CART450	Digital Media + Interaction Design III	3		
CART360	Game Design I	3		
CART365	Game Design II	3		
CART460	Game Design III	3		
CART370	Graphic Design I	3		
CART375	Graphic Design II	3		
CART470	Graphic Design III	3		
CART425	Animation Techniques	3		
CART395	Special Topics in Computer Arts	3		
CART399	Internship in Computer Arts	3		
CART/MEDA258	Fund. of Writing for Film and TV	3		
CART/MEDA262	Intro. to Acting	3		
CART499	Major elective	3	ART-260(b) ART-297(b)	X
Open electives	Health and Fitness and Phys Ed.	2 1	WEX-101 WEX-	X X
Open electives to reach 120 credits		12	Studio Art electives or any courses including ART 101, 181, 223, 228, 259, 271, 281, 284, 287, 288	X X X X
TOTAL		120 credits		