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## **Articulation Agreement**

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**Springfield Technical Community College**

**and**

**Worcester State University**

**Urban Studies Track in Liberal Arts/General Studies Degree Program**

**to**

**Bachelor of Science in Urban Studies Degree Program**

**April 2019**

## **Statement of Purpose**

Springfield Technical Community College (STCC) and Worcester State University (WSU) appreciate that for many students the path to a Bachelor's Degree may include more than one institution of higher education. Recognizing the academic connection between the two programs, this Agreement is formed to enable the smooth transfer of STCC students to WSU.

The purpose of this agreement is to provide a smooth transition between the two identified academic programs below by:

- identifying all required and equivalent courses for the relevant programs at each institution, and
- facilitating credit transfer and guarantee of admission for students who meet the agreed upon criteria.

## **Participants**

This agreement has been entered into by STCC, Springfield, MA and WSU, Worcester, MA.

## **Programs and Courses**

- A. The STCC Urban Studies Track in the Liberal Arts/General Studies Associate in Arts Degree Program will be accepted toward the WSU Bachelor of Science in Urban Studies Degree Program.
- B. All coursework included in the STCC Urban Studies track degree program will be accepted and applied towards required coursework and electives as stipulated in the WSU Bachelor of Science in Urban Studies degree program.

## **Terms**

- A. Graduates of the STCC Urban Studies track degree program with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or higher will be guaranteed admission into the WSU Bachelor of Science in Urban Studies degree program under the terms of this agreement.
- B. Coursework totaling 9 credits (SOC-200 Social Problems, SOC-220 Urban Sociology, and ENG-228 The City in Literature) completed in the STCC Urban Studies track degree program will be accepted and applied towards the major course requirements in the WSU Bachelor of Science in Urban Studies degree program, with approximately 27 major credits (including the Urban Studies core courses) remaining to be completed at WSU.
- C. In addition, STCC graduates participating in this agreement will be provided the opportunity to obtain the benefits of the MassTransfer GenEd Foundation (34 general education credits), as the Foundation has been built into the STCC degree program.
- D. Up to 72 transferrable community college credits and up to 90 transferable four-year institution credits will be recognized by WSU and accepted in transfer to apply towards the Bachelor of Science in Urban Studies degree program.
- E. Transfer students who do not meet the aforementioned standards will be considered for admission to WSU on a case-by-case basis.

## **Communications and Advising**

Communication and advising is central to effective transfer/articulation. Recognizing this:

- A. Both institutions agree to include information about this articulation agreement in relevant publications for the purposes of promotion and advising.
- B. Both institutions agree to jointly develop appropriate transfer guides and make these available to students and advisors as appropriate.
- C. Both institutions agree to notify each other promptly, in writing, of substantive changes in curricula that might affect the Agreement.

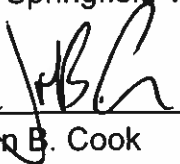
## **Implementation and Length of Agreement**


- A. This Agreement becomes effective on 04/05/2019.
- B. This agreement will remain in effect for 5 years from the date above unless terminated or amended, in writing, by either party with prior written notice.
- C. This Agreement does not preclude either party from entering into similar agreements with other institutions of higher education.

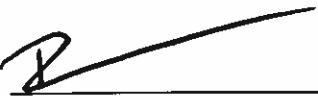
## Signatures

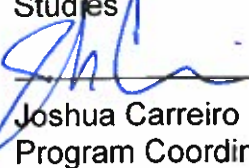
The relevant program coordinator and/or academic department chair of each institution shall be responsible for implementing this agreement, for identifying and incorporating any changes into subsequent agreements, and for conducting a periodic review of this agreement.

For Springfield Tech. Comm. College

  
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John B. Cook                      3.25.2019  
President                              Date

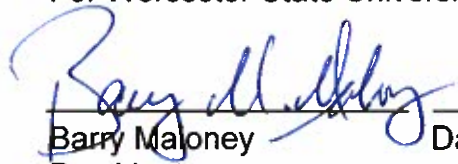
  
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Geraldine de Berly              3-22-19  
Vice President of Academic Affairs      Date

  
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Richard Greco                      4-1-19  
Dean, Liberal Arts and Professional  
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Joshua Carreiro                      4/1/19  
Program Coordinator, Urban Studies      Date

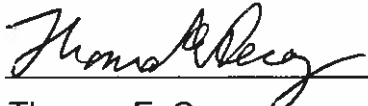
  
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Matthew Gravel                      3/27/19  
Dean of Academic Initiatives              Date


For Worcester State University

  
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Barry Maloney                      3/4/19  
President                              Date

  
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Lois Wims                              3/6/17  
Provost and Vice President  
for Academic Affairs                      Date

  
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Russ Pottle                              3.6.19  
Dean, School of HSS                      Date

  
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Thomas E. Conroy                      3/6/19  
Department Chair, Urban Studies      Date

  
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Ryan G. Forsythe                      2/25/19  
Vice-President for  
Enrollment Management                      Date

# Course Map

STCC Urban Studies Track in the Liberal Arts/General Studies Degree Program  
 WSU Bachelor of Science in Urban Studies Degree Program

## ARTICULATION AGREEMENT COURSE SEQUENCE

Semester /Term	Course Number	Course Name	STCC	WSU	Major	Minor	Free	Four +
1	ENG-101	English Comp 1	3					
	SOC-101	Intro to Sociology	3					
	ABT 220	Sustainability and the Built Environment	3					
	SPN-125	Spanish for Public Service	3					
	PSC-102	State and Municipal Government	3					
	RCH-100	Basic Research	1					
		16	credits for semester					
2	ECN 101	Economics 1	3					
	ENG 102	English Comp 2	3					
	BIO-107/107L	World Food Habits and Sustainability & Lab (3+1)	4					
	SOC-200	Social Problems	3		3			
	HIS-155 OR	The Immigrant City	3					
	HIS-114	The History of Springfield						
	16	credits for semester						
3	SOC-201	Race and Society	3					
	SOC-220	Urban Sociology	3		3			
	MAT-115	Statistics	3					
	HIS-210	Historical Urban Development	3					
	ABT-222	Sustainable Community Planning	3					
		15	credits for semester					
4	ENG-228	The City in Literature	3		3			
	EL-SCI	General Science Elective	3					
	ART-124	The Creative Art of Structures	3					
	SOC-205	Sociology of the Family	3					
	SOC-225	Analysis of Urban Systems	3					
		15	credits for semester					
5	UR-320	Power and Urban Insecurity.		3	3			
	UR xxx	Urban Studies Elective		3	3			
	minor	Minor Course		3		3		
	minor	Minor Course		3		3		
	free	Free elective -- GIS Strongly suggested		3			3	
	15	credits for semester						

6	UR 212	American Metropolitan Evolution		3	3			
	UR 213	Human ID		3	3			
	UR 390	Research Methods		3	3			
	minor	Minor Course		3		3		
	minor	Free elective		3			3	
	15	credits for semester						
7	UR 401	Research Seminar/Capstone		3	3			
	UR xxx	Urban Studies Elective		3	3			3
	minor	Minor Course		3		3		
	free	Free elective		3			3	
	free	Free elective/Internship		3			3	
	15	credits for semester						
8	UR xxx	Urban Studies Elective		3	3			3
	UR xxx	Urban Studies Elective		3	3			3
	minor	Minor Course		3		3		
	minor	Minor Course		3		3		
	free	Free elective/Internship		3			3	
	15	credits for semester						
			62	60	36	18	15	9
<b>Abbreviations</b>								
<i>STCC Column</i>		<i>Courses/credits completed at Springfield Technical Community College</i>						
<i>WSU Column</i>		<i>Courses/credits completed at Worcester State University</i>						
<i>Major Column</i>		<i>Courses/credits counting toward BS in Urban Studies</i>						
<i>Minor Column</i>		<i>Courses/credits counting toward choice of minor (assuming a minor of 18 credits with no transfer credits)</i>						
<i>Free Column</i>		<i>Free electives necessary to fulfill 120 credit minimum for BS</i>						
<i>Four + Column</i>		<i>Course spaces available for Masters Degrees in Urban Studies Department (MS Nonprofit Management; MPAP; MPM)</i>						