

TRANSFER AGREEMENT FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREE



**Southern Maine Community College
and
University of Southern Maine**



Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate student academic transfer and provide a smooth transition from Southern Maine Community College (SMCC) to University of Southern Maine (USM). It is recognized that this agreement shall describe the required program of study at SMCC for admission eligibility to USM and the degree program indicated.

Terms & Conditions of Academic Credit Transfer

To: Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science

From: Associate in Arts in Liberal Studies with a Focus in Science

The evaluation and transfer of earned college credits shall be in compliance with state and federal education policies and institutional and academic program accreditation standards pertaining to undergraduate academic transfer. Current students and graduates who have earned degrees from Southern Maine Community College shall be eligible for credit evaluation under the terms of this agreement.

Transfer students will be accorded the same standards and criteria for admission to a major degree sequence as USM students. All applicants accepted to USM's Baccalaureate programs must fulfill the graduation requirements of the granting institution as identified in Appendices A, B, and C.

- **Appendix A** Contains Admission & Graduation Requirements of the Receiving Institution
- **Appendix B** Contains Side By Side Course Equivalency Tables for the academic program listed above
- **Appendix C** Contains a four-semester map of remaining courses to be taken at USM

Information contained in Appendices A, B, and C is accurate for Catalog Year 2021-2022 and the current transfer equivalency listing. For current information please check the [UMS Transfer Guide](#) or [MaineStreet](#) for equivalencies, and go to <http://usm.maine.edu/catalogs> for the current course catalog year.

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APPENDIX A

Admission & Graduation Requirements of the Receiving Institution

This agreement includes specific requirements for admission into a program, outlines requirements, and indicates which degree or diploma can be used to meet program prerequisites as well as general education, major or program, and graduation requirements.

Admissions Requirements

Successful completion of the SMCC **Associate in Arts in Liberal Studies, Focus Science**, submission of a completed admission application (if necessary), transcripts and other supporting materials. For coursework to transfer to USM, a student must earn a grade of C- or better. For a list of application instructions and checklist: <http://usm.maine.edu/admit/application-instructions>.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science

Remaining required coursework is listed in Appendix C. Student must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 to graduate.

Residency Requirement

For all baccalaureate degrees at the University, a minimum of 30 credit hours, including at least 9 credit hours in the major field at the 200-level or above, must be completed at the University of Southern Maine.

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APPENDIX B

Side by Side Course Equivalency Tables

*Courses represented in italics are required. If subjects in italics in Appendix B are **not** taken at SMCC as part of the AALS, Focus Science program, the sequence represented in Appendix C cannot be observed. Credit totals*

SMCC AALS, Focus Science General Education Requirements			USM BS Environmental Science Equivalencies		
Course	Title	Credits	Course	Title	Credits
ENGL 100	English Composition	3	ENG 100	College Writing (WRI 1 Core Requirement)	3
ENGL 115	Introduction to Literature	3	ENG 140	Reading Literature (Cultural Interpretation Core Requirement)	3
FIGS 100	Student Success	1	GEL 1XX	General Elective	1
MATH 140	College Algebra (Math Elective)	3	MAT 108	College Algebra	3
PHYS 150	College Physics I with Lab (Science Elective with Lab)	4	PHY 111/114	Elements of Physics I/Lab (Science Exploration Core Requirement)	4
	Art or Music Elective	3	Varies	Direct equivalent or elective credit	3
SOCI 100	Introduction to Sociology (Psychology/Sociology Elective)	3	SOC 100	Introduction to Sociology	3
<i>ECON 120</i>	<i>Microeconomics</i> (Economics/Political Science Elective)	3	ECO 102	Introduction to Microeconomics (Socio-Cultural Analysis Core Requirement)	3
	Humanities Elective: <i>ANTH 105 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology</i>	3	ANT 101	Anthropology: The Cultural View (Diversity Core Requirement)	3
ENGL 110	Oral Communications (English Communications Elective)	3	THE 170	Public Speaking (Creative Expression Core Requirement)	3
	Diversity Elective	3	Varies	Direct equivalent or elective credit	3
	Ethical Reasoning Elective	3	Varies	Direct equivalent or elective credit	3
Total credits		35	Total credits accepted		

SMCC AALS, Focus Science Major Requirements			USM Equivalencies		
Course	Title	Credits	Course	Title	Credits
BIOL 124	Biology I with Lab (Liberal Studies Elective)	4	BIO 105/106	Biological Principles I/Lab	4
BIOL 128	Biology II with Lab (Liberal Studies Elective)	4	BIO 107	Biological Principles II/Lab	4
CHEM 120	General Chemistry I with Lab (Liberal Studies Elective)	4	CHY 113/114	Principles of Chemistry I/Lab	4
CHEM 125	General Chemistry II with Lab (Liberal Studies Elective)	4	CHY 115/116	Principles of Chemistry II/Lab	4
PHYS 155	College Physics II with Lab (Free Elective)	4	PHY 112/116	Elements of Physics II & Lab	4
	History Elective	3	Varies	Direct equivalent or elective credit	3
	Fine Arts and Humanities Elective	3	Varies	Direct equivalent or elective credit	3
MATH 155	Statistics (Liberal Studies Elective)	3	MAT 120	Statistics (Quantitative Reasoning Core Requirement)	3
Total Major Credits		29			
Total SMCC Credits		64	Total Credits accepted		

APPENDIX C

Remaining USM Degree Requirements

For SMCC AALS Science Focus graduates to complete the USM BS in Environmental Science

Year Three Fall		Year Three Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
ESP 101/102 Environmental Science and Sustainability/Lab	4	ESP 125/126 Introduction to Environmental Ecology/Lab	4
ESP 197 Research Skills Lab	1	ESP 207 Atmosphere: Science, Climate, and Change	3
CHY 233 Analytical Chemistry with Lab OR CHY 252/252 Organic Chemistry I/Lab	5	ESP 203 Environmental Communication	3
WRI 2 Core Requirement	3	ESP 200+ level elective	3
ESP 150 Environmental Science Field Immersion (Engaged Learning Core Requirement)	3	ESP 308 Global Environmental Problems and Sustainability (Ethical Inquiry and International Core Requirements and also Departmental Tools Course)	3
Semester Credits	16	Semester Credits	16

Year Four Fall		Year Four Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
ESP 280 Research and Analytical Methods	3	ESP 360 Water Quality Assessment and Control	4
MAT 152 Calculus I	4	ESP 401 Environmental Impact Assessment/Lab (WRI 3 Core Requirement, Capstone)	4
ESP 340 Environmental Regulations	3	ESP 200-level+ Elective	3
ESP 400 Internship	3	ESP 260 Soil and Water Conservation Engineering	3
ESP 200-level+ Elective	3		
Semester Credits	16	Semester Credits	14
Total USM credits: 62			
Total SMCC and USM credits: 126			