

Roxbury Community College and Lesley University Partnership Associate-to-Bachelor Articulation Agreement

Lesley University (herein referred to as "Lesley"), and Roxbury Community College (herein referred to as "RCC"), enter into this articulation agreement (herein referred to as "the agreement") in order to facilitate the transfer of students who have completed associate degrees at RCC to bachelor degree programs at Lesley University.

Provisions of the Agreement:

1. Admission to Lesley:

- a. <u>Admission</u>: Students shall be admitted to Lesley if the following conditions have been met:
 - i. Earned associate degree in designated RCC programs (as stipulated in attached addendum/a) at the time of matriculation to Lesley;
 - ii. Earned cumulative GPA of 2.5;
 - iii. Satisfied specific Lesley college and program pre-requisites:
 - 1. <u>College of Liberal Arts & Sciences</u>: admission is contingent on any program requirements as stated in this agreement and/orcatalog.
 - 2. <u>College of Art and Design</u>: admission is contingent on a successful portfolio review and any program requirements as stated in this agreement and/or catalog, and;
 - iv. Satisfied Lesley's transfer student criteria as stipulated in Lesley printed materials and on the Lesley website
- b. <u>Financial Aid</u>: Admitted transfer students will have access to Lesley's regular financial aid opportunities and may qualify for and receive Lesley University scholarships per Lesley's published policies and procedures.

2. Transfer of credits:

- a. <u>Course Transfer</u>: If a student has completed an associate of arts or associate of science, Lesley will accept all college level courses passed at RCC (without an associate degree, students must earn a "C" or higher in order to transfer courses).
- b. General Education: Lesley will accept in full "MassTransfer" specified associate degrees with the embedded "General Education Foundation" to meet the requirements of the lower division requirements of Lesley's Liberal Arts foundation as required by the appropriate undergraduate college in its entirety. Specific programs may require up to 6 additional credits, depending on individual student transfer credits and specific program requirements. Students transferring to Lesley's College of Art & Design will be required to complete additional Art History courses, as program requirements, either through transfer courses or courses taken upon enrollment at Lesley.



c. <u>Major/Program Requirements</u>: RCC students may fulfill Lesley major/program requirements per specific program-to-program equivalencies as stipulated in attached addendum/a. Any remaining major requirements and electives will be transferred to, or taken from, Lesley.

d. Transfer Totals:

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (CLAS): CLAS will accept up to 90 total transfer credits (including any credits earned via prior learning assessment). Students are required to meet Lesley's minimum residency of 30 credits, however, students must also meet all requirements of CLAS majors/minors, therefore not all transfer credits may apply to program requirements.

College of Art and Design (LUCAD): Because of its extensive specialized curriculum and studio requirements, LUCAD reserves the right to require additional course work and portfolio review, when appropriate, for students transferring into LUCAD programs, as outlined on the course equivalency guide provided per program-to-program agreement. LUCAD allows up to 66 transfer credits for BFA programs.

3. Promotion of the Agreement:

Lesley and Roxbury Community College agree to promote this agreement in catalogs, websites and in appropriate marketing materials and will encourage students to consider Lesley for continued education toward a Bachelor Degree.

4. Recruitment and Advising of Students:

- a. <u>Recruitment</u>: Lesley and RCC agree to mutually market and advertise opportunities for transfer students from RCC to Lesley including, but not limited to, the following:
 - i. Lesley and RCC will work together to identify and schedule strategic recruitment opportunities at all phases of the RCC student lifecycle (high school recruitment through associate degree attainment/alumni).
 - ii. To the extent possible, RCC will provide Lesley with lists of interested and eligible students and alumni from which Lesley will recruit students.
- b. <u>Pre-Transfer Advising</u>: Lesley agrees to work with RCC to provide individualized and/or group advising on the RCC campus to interested students after their acceptance to RCC but prior to application and admission to Lesley.



- c. <u>Referrals to RCC</u>: Should Lesley identify students with some credits but no associate degree (from any sending institution), Lesley will refer students (when appropriate to student's goals) to RCC for associate degree completion prior to matriculation at Lesley.
 - i. RCC agrees to identify a liaison for students interested in enrolling at RCC for the purposes of transferring with a RCC associate degree to Lesley.

5. Program Updates:

Each school will notify the other should any curricular changes be implemented that impact the transfer of credits as stipulated in the program-to-program equivalencies in the addendum/a.

6. Review and/or Amendment of Agreement:

This agreement and any accompanying addendum/a (see page 4) will be reviewed once every two years with an exchange of visits or at any time by written request by either school. Changes and amendments to this agreement and the Addendum may occur with the consent of both schools. Either school may terminate this agreement 60 days after written notification to that effect is received by the other college or at any time with mutual consent.

- 7. Neither party may assign its obligations under this Agreement, in whole or in part, without the written consent of the other party.
- **8.** This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- **9.** This Agreement embodies the entire understanding of the parties and supersedes all prior agreements, whether oral or written.

For Roxbury Community College:

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For Lesley University:

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Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs



ADDENDA

Specific program-to-program "transfer guides" for select degree programs will be developed between program-specific faculty at Lesley and RCC and added to the agreement as addenda. (See 2. Transfer Credits, section d.)

These transfer guides will provide RCC graduates with mapped pathways between their coursework and degree requirements at RCC and the coursework and degree requirements at Lesley.

Program-to-program transfer guides, or course equivalency guides, for select majors or degree programs will be made available to students, advisors, faculty and staff at each institution.

Additionally, this Lesley-RCC agreement will apply to students who are not enrolled in majors or degree programs with course equivalency "transfer guides" as long as they have earned an associate in arts or an associate in science. Students transferring from non-mapped programs will have their courses reviewed individually for course matches based on the students degree of interest at Lesley.

ADDENDA TO BE DEVELOPED:

Prior to the start of the spring 2018 term, Lesley agrees to present the following for Roxbury review and signatures:

- **1.** Cross Registration Agreement: To allow RCC students to take Lesley courses through Roxbury's existing cross registration program.
- 2. Program-to-Program Guides for Lesley at BHCC (Charlestown) Programs:
 - I. Roxbury AA, Business Administration to Lesley BS, Business Management
 - II. Roxbury AS, Business Management to Lesley BS, Business Management
 - III. Roxbury AS, Accounting to Lesley BS, Business Management
 - IV. Roxbury AA, Social Science to Lesley BA, Psychology
 - V. Roxbury AS, Early Childhood Education to Lesley, BS, Early Childhood Studies (includes Child Homelessness Certificate)
 - VI. Roxbury AA, Health Careers to Lesley BS, Community Health (Starting Fall 2018)