

DUAL ADMISSIONS AND CORE-TO-CORE TRANSFER AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
AND
GWYNEDD MERCY UNIVERSITY

Preface

Montgomery County Community College and **Gwynedd Mercy University** enter into this Dual Admission and Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement to facilitate the transfer of Montgomery County Community College graduates to **Gwynedd Mercy University**.

Under the Dual Admissions Agreement, Montgomery County Community College students will be guaranteed admissions into a Bachelor's Degree program with third year (junior) status at **Gwynedd Mercy University** on the condition that they: graduate from Montgomery County Community College with the appropriate Associate Degree with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 (or higher for certain majors*). Please see Appendix A for the designated programs included in this agreement. A full time student admitted with third year (junior) status to **Gwynedd Mercy University** will be able to complete a Bachelor's degree in a parallel program at **Gwynedd Mercy University** within four regular semesters provided that the student completes the appropriate Associate Degree program at Montgomery County Community College and completes and appropriately sequences their remaining course work at **Gwynedd Mercy University**, while maintaining full time status.

*MCCC students seeking admission to Gwynedd Mercy University's Accounting, Biology, Computer Science and Education programs must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.

In addition, **Gwynedd Mercy University** agrees to accept the general education courses embedded in the Montgomery County Community College A.A. A.S., and A.A.S. Degrees as meeting all the requirements of its undergraduate general education requirements, except for the two Signature Seminars courses and one (1) Philosophy or Religion course at Gwynedd Mercy University.

This Dual Admissions and Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement becomes effective in fall 2019.

To facilitate the transfer of Montgomery County Community College graduates to **Gwynedd Mercy University** in accordance with the foregoing guarantee, the parties agree to the following:

Obligations of Gwynedd Mercy University

1. To attend regularly scheduled Partner Day and Evening Programs at Montgomery County Community College Central and West Campuses
2. To provide Montgomery County Community College with "Dual Admissions Intent" forms and fact sheets to distribute upon request
3. To invite Montgomery County Community College students who have completed a "Dual Admissions Intent" form to an informational/advising meeting(s) with faculty and staff at **Gwynedd Mercy University** in order to facilitate smooth curricular and co-curricular integration to **Gwynedd Mercy University**
4. To send, within 30 days of receipt of the "Dual Admissions Intent" form, a **Gwynedd Mercy University** letter of admission to all Montgomery County Community College students who complete a "Dual Admissions Intent" form and meet the conditions set forth in the Preface. Montgomery County Community

College students who complete a “Dual Admissions Intent” form will be governed by the **Gwynedd Mercy University** degree requirements in effect at the time of signing the “Dual Admissions Intent” form.

5. To waive the application fee for students who apply to **Gwynedd Mercy University** pursuant to this Agreement
6. To award academic scholarships to all qualified Montgomery County Community College graduates admitted to **Gwynedd Mercy University** pursuant to this Agreement. Full-time **Gwynedd Mercy University** students (enrolled in 12 or more credits a semester) with a **2.50-2.99** final cumulative Montgomery County Community College GPA will receive a minimum **\$10,000** scholarship; full-time students with a **3.0-3.49** final cumulative Montgomery County Community College GPA will receive a minimum **\$12,000** scholarship; and full-time students with a **3.5-4.0** final cumulative Montgomery County Community College GPA will receive a minimum **\$15,000** scholarship. (These amounts may change – please see website for future amounts). Full-time students (enrolled in 12 or more credits a semester) who are members of Phi Theta Kappa will receive a **\$2,000** PTK scholarship per semester. All scholarships may be renewed for an additional two years contingent upon the students remaining in good academic standing at **Gwynedd Mercy University**. Students may also be eligible for need-based financial aid and other types of financial aid.
7. To ensure these students will be provided with **Gwynedd Mercy University** financial aid information and receive full consideration for **Gwynedd Mercy University** financial aid, in addition to the scholarships listed above, upon matriculation at **Gwynedd Mercy University**
8. To support and accept a Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement that allows the Montgomery County Community College general education core for the A.A., A.S., and A.A.S. Degrees to fulfill all **Gwynedd Mercy University** core requirements. Core-to-Core Transfer does not alter the requirements of the student’s major field of study or its admissions standard as identified in the **Gwynedd Mercy University** catalog.
9. To ensure that all courses for which a passing grade (A, B, C or D) was received will transfer to **Gwynedd Mercy University**
10. To identify eligible Montgomery County Community College graduates enrolling at **Gwynedd Mercy University** upon admission to **Gwynedd Mercy University** and note that they have satisfied **Gwynedd Mercy University** core requirements by core-to-core transfer on all pertinent **Gwynedd Mercy University** student records
11. To ensure that Montgomery County Community College graduates entering **Gwynedd Mercy University** under the terms of this Agreement will go through **Gwynedd Mercy University’s** transfer process and therefore must meet all applicable **Gwynedd Mercy University** requirements and deadlines pertaining to orientation and registration, and payment of tuition and fees. They will abide by the policies and procedures, and any revisions thereof, that apply to all **Gwynedd Mercy University** students.
12. To work with Montgomery County Community College on Program-to-Program Transfer Agreements and/or Guides that specify for Montgomery County Community College transfer students the Montgomery County Community College courses that satisfy major requirements for degree completion at **Gwynedd Mercy University**

13. To ensure that Montgomery County Community College Dual Admissions students who matriculate at **Gwynedd Mercy University** have all of the rights and privileges of other **Gwynedd Mercy University** students
14. To waive placement tests for Montgomery County Community College graduates
15. To ensure that Dual Admissions students graduating in the Honors Program at Montgomery County Community College be admitted to the Honors Program at **Gwynedd Mercy University**. These students will have completed 18 credits in Honors, a requirement which will be noted on their Montgomery County Community College transcripts. Six of these credits for Cultural Anthropology and Macroeconomics will also count towards the Honors Program at Gwynedd Mercy University.

Obligations of Montgomery County Community College:

1. To publicize this Agreement to prospective and current MCCC students in its promotional literature, and make arrangements for **Gwynedd Mercy University** admissions representatives to visit MCCC and meet with prospective and current Dual Admissions students
2. To provide academic advising to students who are interested in the Dual Admissions Transfer Agreement to make certain students have the appropriate courses for their intended major at Gwynedd Mercy University once program-to-program curriculum sequences have been established
3. MCCC, in accordance with the admission application policies and procedures of **Gwynedd Mercy University**, will coordinate the delivery of academic records and application materials to **Gwynedd Mercy University**. MCCC students who apply to **Gwynedd Mercy University** under the terms of this Agreement will be required to go through the standard **Gwynedd Mercy University** transfer admissions process, as developed by **Gwynedd Mercy University**, and therefore must meet all applicable requirements and deadlines pertaining to admission to **Gwynedd Mercy University**.
4. To work with **Gwynedd Mercy University** on possible program-to-program transfer agreements and/or guides that specify for MCCC transfer students the courses that satisfy major requirements for **Gwynedd Mercy University's** undergraduate degree programs

Eligibility Requirements and Student Obligations

MCCC students who wish to participate in Dual Admissions pursuant to the terms of this Agreement are subject to each of the following requirements:

1. No course in which a grade below C was earned is accepted for transfer credit, except in the case that the student has completed an A.A. (Associate of Arts) or A.S. (Associate of Science) degree. All credits earned in the A.A. and A.S. degree programs will be transferred to **Gwynedd Mercy University**, provided that the student achieved (a) a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 for all courses presented for the degree and (b) a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 for courses required in and offered by the major at **Gwynedd Mercy University** (higher for some majors*). If the student has not satisfied both (a) and (b), the student's courses will be evaluated by **Gwynedd Mercy University**.
2. At least 45-50 credits (depending on the major program) must be completed at **Gwynedd Mercy University**
3. Only credit is transferred. The grades for transfer courses are not calculated in the student's GPA at **Gwynedd Mercy University**. Once courses have been transferred, they become part of the student's permanent record and cannot be removed.
4. Students are required to sign a Dual Admissions Intent form before completion of their 30th college credit. The student will be required to complete a Gwynedd Mercy University application form prior to the intended start term, for which the application fee will be waived.
5. Students should follow the established program-to-program course sequences developed between Gwynedd Mercy University and MCCC for the program they intend to enroll in at Gwynedd Mercy University.

Students should confer each semester with a Gwynedd Mercy University advisor to review degree progress and ensure appropriate courses are being completed.

6. MCCC graduates entering Gwynedd Mercy University under the terms of this agreement must go through Gwynedd Mercy University normal transfer admissions process and therefore must meet all Gwynedd Mercy University requirements and deadlines pertaining to application for admission, orientation and registration, and payment of tuition and fees.
7. The following items are required for a complete transfer application:
 - Application (no charge)
 - Official High School transcript (for students with fewer than 24 credits)
 - Official College transcript(s) from all institutions attended
 - Some programs may require a background check (e.g. Education, Human Services, Psychology Social Work, Secondary Education, health professions)
 - Students seeking admission to Gwynedd Mercy University's Education degree programs that include a path to teacher certification must have successfully met the requirements for the Pennsylvania Basic Skills Assessment Test prior to enrolling.

Joint Obligations:

1. To consult with each other through appropriate channels prior to implementing major changes in policy or curricula that directly affect students transferring under the terms of this Agreement, and keep each other informed of any other changes of policy or curricula that affect those students. Both **Gwynedd Mercy University** and Montgomery County Community College will review this Agreement annually and make any changes upon mutual agreement, as needed. Such changes will become effective when both Montgomery County Community College and **Gwynedd Mercy University** sign the revised document.
2. To collaborate in providing students with information and academic advising about this Agreement, **Montgomery County Community College** academic requirements, and the process of transferring to **Gwynedd Mercy University**
3. To develop and implement advertising and promotional efforts to communicate the benefits of Dual Admission and Core-to-Core Transfer
4. To designate a representative or representatives at each institution who will coordinate the Dual Admission and Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement between the two institutions
5. To exchange data and documents annually that will contribute to the maintenance and improvement of this core-to-core arrangement, enhance the transfer process, and promote effective cooperation between institutions. These will consist of aggregate data about transfer students, including admissions information, academic progress and retention information, and reports on the results of program reviews, assessments of student learning, and decisions of curricular and other committees. The institution(s) will exchange data after obtaining appropriate permission from the students as indicated on the "Dual Admissions Intent" form.
6. To facilitate and support consultation and collaboration between their faculties related to this agreement, general education, degree requirements, and other academic matters
7. To provide direct links between **Gwynedd Mercy University** and Montgomery County Community College websites

Revision, Renewal and Termination of this Agreement

The Gwynedd Mercy University and the Montgomery County Community College designates are responsible for identifying, and communicating to each other, changes in the policies or requirements of their respective institutions that affect this Agreement.

This Agreement will be in effect as of fall 2019. It will be reviewed annually by the appropriate parties at each institution, and will be renewed automatically until superseded by a new Agreement or formally terminated. Either institution may terminate this Agreement at any time by written notice at least one year in advance of the effective date of termination. Should this Agreement be terminated, it is understood that the termination will not apply to students already accepted to **Gwynedd Mercy University** under the terms of this Agreement.


The willingness of both institutions to enter this Agreement in order to facilitate the transfer of students from Montgomery County Community College into **Gwynedd Mercy University**, and to expand their opportunities for academic success there, is indicated by the following signatures:

The undersigned representatives of the parties, Montgomery County Community College and **Gwynedd Mercy University**, have executed this Agreement on the dates indicated.


For Montgomery County Community College



Dr. Kevin Pollock 1/1/19
President Date




Dr. Victoria L. Bastecki-Perez 1/8/2019
Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Date




Phil Needles 1/9/2019
Vice President of Student Services Date

For Gwynedd Mercy University



Dr. Deanne Horner D'Emilio 1/23/19
President Date



Dr. Mary Van Brunt 1/22/19
Vice President for Academic Affairs Date

12/14/2018

APPENDIX A

The following Montgomery County Community College Associate Degree programs are included in this agreement:

- MCCC AS Business Administration to GMERCYU BS Accounting
- MCCC AS Business Administration to GMERCYU BS Finance
- MCCC AS Business Administration to GMERCYU BS Human Resource Management
- MCCC AS Business Administration to GMERCYU BS Management
- MCCC AS Business Administration to GMERCYU BS Marketing
- MCCC AS Business Administration to GMERCYU BS Sports Management
- MCCC AS Computer Science to GMERCYU BS Computer Information Systems – Forensics
- MCCC AS Computer Science to GMERCYU BS Computer Information Systems – Web Design
- MCCC AS Criminal Justice to GMERCYU BS Criminal Justice
- MCCC AA Education in the Early Years: Birth through Fourth Grade to GMERCYU BS Early Education with PreK-4 Certification
- MCCC AA Education in the Early Years: Birth through Fourth Grade to GMERCYU BS Education Studies
- MCCC AA Education in the Early Years: Birth through Fourth Grade to GMERCYU BS Early Education with PreK-8 Special Education Certification
- MCCC AAS Human Services to GMERCYU BA/BS Human Services
- MCCC AAS Human Services to GMERCYU BSW Social Work
- MCCC AS Psychology to GMERCYU BA/BS Psychology
- MCCC AA Liberal Studies to GMERCYU variety of majors

Additional programs may be added as articulations are approved.