
**TRANSFER ARTICULATION
AGREEMENT**

Salem State College
Early Childhood Education Department

and

Northern Essex Community College
Early Childhood Education

August 2006

Salem State College and Northern Essex Community College, in recognition of a valuable and barrier free public academic experience, have created a transfer articulation agreement between the Education department at Salem State College and the Early Childhood Education Program at Northern Essex Community College.

OBJECTIVES:

1. To encourage the transfer of qualified students from Northern Essex Community College to Salem State College.
2. To award academic credit for courses completed at Northern Essex Community College, that meet the terms of the Early Childhood Education, Associate Degree, for application toward the requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Education, Early Childhood Education Concentration, at Salem State College.
3. To provide effective and concise guidelines for students seeking to transfer to Salem State College. Students will have accurate and clear information regarding the transfer of their coursework and credits toward the Bachelor's Degree at Salem State College.

DEFINITIONS:

Bachelor of Science in Education: A baccalaureate degree of 127 credits. The degree includes a major in Education and a concentration in Early Childhood Education grades PK-2. Students completing this degree may apply for admission to the *Teacher Licensure Program* or complete the major and degree without state licensure.

Teacher Licensure Program: A program within the Bachelor of Science degree and Education major, which leads to state licensure as an Early Childhood Teacher, Grades PK-2. Admission to the Teacher Licensure Program requires: (1) grades of "C" or better in English Composition and Speech courses, (2) a cumulative grade point average of 2.75, (3) passing scores on the Communication and Literacy portions of the Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure, and (4) the successful completion of at least one course in Education.

TERMS OF THE TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT:

1. Salem State College guarantees the acceptance of students who completed the Early Childhood Education, Associate Degree program at Northern Essex Community College with an overall GPA of 2.5 or better to the Bachelor of Science in Education: Early Childhood Education Concentration.
2. To be admitted to the Program of Teacher Licensure Program at Salem State College an application to declare the formal licensure track is required. An application will be available from your Education advisor at Salem State College. For admission to the formal licensure track students must also meet the following criteria:
 - a. Minimum grade of "C" in ENG101 Composition 1, ENG102 Composition 2 and COM111 Public Speaking.
 - b. Cumulative GPA of 2.75
 - c. Passing score on communication and literacy sections of Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure.
 - d. The successful completion of at least one course in Education.
3. Salem State College guarantees the transfer of credit as stipulated in the attached Early Childhood Development Program of Studies. This agreement assumes the completion of the Associate Degree and completion of the courses listed on the Program of Studies. Salem State College requires that 50% of the major is completed in residence, a minimum total of 127 credits must be completed to earn a Bachelor of Science in Education. Salem

- State College may accept courses taken beyond the Associate Degree (60 credits); however, students are encouraged to contact the transfer advisor at Salem State College for approval. No more than 68 credits will transfer from a two-year college to Salem State College.
4. Northern Essex Community College transfer students will be subject to all general education requirements of Salem State College as set forth in the Salem State College catalogue.
 5. This document is based upon the faculty evaluation of course descriptions presented to Salem State College. Courses as listed in this agreement will transfer to Salem State College provided a grade of "C-" or better has been earned. Students who plan to pursue the Teacher Licensure Program must meet the requirements noted in section 2A of this document. When appropriate, the requirements of the Commonwealth Transfer Compact will be honored.
 6. Northern Essex Community College students interested in participating in this agreement should be advised to take the suggested liberal arts courses. These courses are required at Salem State College and students are advised to complete them as part of their Associate Degree.
 7. The Bachelor of Science in Education: Early Childhood Licensure Program at Salem State College requires that students complete a second major in an Arts and Sciences discipline.
 8. This agreement shall remain in effect for a period of two years from the date listed below, with the provision that the terms specified herein will continue to apply to students admitted from Northern Essex Community College's Early Childhood Education, Associate Degree program within one year of the expiration of the agreement. Each institution agrees to provide timely notice to the other in the event of any modification to the curriculum that might affect compatibility for admission and transfer of coursework. This agreement may be subject to change, without notice, if the Massachusetts Department of Education mandates changes in the Teacher Licensure Program requirements. Students admitted to the Northern Essex Community College Early Childhood Education Associate Degree program prior to such notification shall be admitted to Salem State College on the basis of this agreement.

Approved on (date): ___10-06-06_____

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EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

NOTE: Courses listed as equivalents are based on faculty decisions at Salem State College.

Northern Essex Community College Early Childhood Education		Salem State College Equivalent	
ENG101 English Composition I	3	ENG101 Composition I	3
PSY101 Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY101 General Psychology (free, excess or second major)	3/0
Lab Science (select 1) BIO111 Intro to Biology I OR BIO101 Human and Social Biology	4	BIO122 World of Cells BIO124 Hum. & Social Biology	4
ECE101 Introduction to ECE	3	EDU105 The Premise of the School and Childcare	3
ECE103 Enhancing Creativity in Early Childhood Curriculum OR ECE111 Pre-school Curriculum	3	EDUT51 Education Free Elective EDUT61 Education Free Elective (free, excess and second major)	3/0
COM111 Public Speaking	3	SPC101A Public Speaking	3
ENG102 English Composition II	3	ENG103 Composition II	3
PSY203 Child Psychology	3	PSY251 Child Growth	3
ECE271 Practicum I OR ECE281 Work Experience. Practic. 1	4	Combined credit, see below	0
ECE201 Language/Reading Development in EC	3	EDU 250A Language & Literacy	3
Lab Science (select 1) SCII111 Physical Science I SCII112 Physical Science II	4	PHST21 Physical Science Seq I PHST21 Physical Science Seq II (free, excess or second major)	4/0
ECE272 ECE Practicum II OR ECE282 Work Experience Practic. 2	4	EDU422A ½ Pract. In Early Childhood Education (combined credit)	6
PSY208 Problems of Early Childhood	3	EDU203 Intro Child w/Special Needs	3

Humanities Elective: (Select 1 for Literature Sequence) LIT 201 American Literature 1 OR LIT 271 World Literature 1	3	ENG355 American Literature I ENG294 World Literature I	3
MAT Math Requirement (select 1): MAT118 Mathematical Ideas 1 OR MAT119 Mathematical Ideas 2	3	MATT23 Math. Div. II Elective MATT23 Math. Div. II Elective	3
ECE202 Expressive Learning Activities in Early Childhood Curr.	3	EDUT52 Education Elective (free, excess or second major)	3/0
ECE250 Seminar in Philosophy ECE	3	EDUT53 Education Elective Free, excess or second major)	3/0
HIS 101 US History 1	3	HIS204 US Hist. & Constit. 1	3
Elective: (Suggestion: Select the other course for completion of a Literature Sequence.)* LIT 272 World Literature 2 LIT 202 American Literature 2 GEO101 Intro Geography	3	ENG294 World Literature II ENG355 American Literature II GGR105 Intro to Geography	3
ECE203 Math/Science for EC Curriculum	3	EDU 370 Math/Science/Tech in ECE	3
Total Credits	64		See below

46-58 credits: Licensure Track. Amount of credit will depend upon choice of second major.

62 credits: Non-Licensure Program

*Lab Science and Literature sequences must be same subject sequences.

Additional Coursework may taken to transfer and apply, up to 68 credits.

Extra Courses that can be taken are:

PED 162 Foundations of Health and Fitness

GEO101 Intro Geography (unless already chosen above).

One of the following:

Lit 201 American Literature I (as DI Elective along with World Lit I and II as LIT sequence).

LIT271 World Literature I (as DI Elective along with American Lit I and II as LIT sequence).

PHI101 Intro to Philosophy (DI Elective)

PHI110 Ethics (DI Elective)

PHI120 Intro to Logic (DI Elective)

PHI202 History of Modern Philosophy (DI Elective)