

## Montcalm Community College (MCC)

### Articulation Agreement and Transfer Guide

In the Early Childhood Education program, students will study important topics such as early childhood development, nutrition, first aid, and children's literature. Students will also receive a broad educational background by completing general education courses in English, mathematics, humanities and sociology. This degree does not prepare students to become certified teachers; however, graduates of the Early Childhood Education major find positions in Head Start programs, Great Start Readiness Programs, day care center, or family day care homes, elementary schools, hospitals, recreation centers, or other child related businesses.

#### Communication Competency

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
COMM 121	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3	COMM 210	Speech	3
ENGL 150	English 1	3	ENGL 100	Freshman English 1	3
ENGL 250	English 2	3	ENGL 101	Freshman English 2	3
ENGL 321 or ENGL 323 or ENGL 325	Advanced Composition or Proposal Writing or Business Writing	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

**Quantitative Literacy**– MATH 114 or Any MATH Course Higher Than MATH 114; Consult Advisor for Exceptions, Official Pre-2016 Math SAT Score of 560 or Higher, Official Post-2016 Math SAT Score of 580 or Higher, or Official Math ACT Score of 24 or Higher

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
MATH 115	Intermediate Algebra	3	MATH 104	Intermediate Algebra	4

**Natural Sciences Competency** - Two courses are required with a minimum of 6 credits: must have at least one lab course. *BIOL 205 (MCC BIOL 202 & BIOL 203) is required for the Child Life Specialist Concentration (ECSP).*

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
Varies	Natural Sciences Electives	6	Varies	Varies	6

**Culture Competency** - Three courses are required with a minimum of 9 credits: must be from two different disciplines and have at least one FSU 200 level or higher course.

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
Varies	Culture Electives	6	Varies	Varies	6
LITR 326	Children's Literature	3	ENGL 235	Children's Literature	3

**Self and Society Competency** - Three courses are required with a minimum of 9 credits: must be from two different disciplines, have at least one FSU 200 level or higher course, and at least one Self and Society Foundation course. *SOCY 121 (MCC SOCI 230), PSYC 150 (MCC PSYC 120), and PSYC 342 are required for the Child Life Specialist Concentration (ECSP).*

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
Varies	Self and Society Electives	9	Varies	Varies	9

Students are encouraged to work with an advisor to select appropriate general education courses or may visit [www.ferris.edu/gened](http://www.ferris.edu/gened)

#### Diversity Competency – 2 Courses Required

If not met by courses taken for Culture, Self and Society, or MTA, a student must meet the following:

- 1 course with the Global Diversity attribute
- 1 course with the U.S. Diversity attribute

#### College Requirements- 86 to 88 Credits Required

#### Major Requirements - 71 credits required

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
EDCD 101	Intro to Early Childhood Education	4	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
EDCD 112	Theories of Child Development	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
EDCD 115	Observ & Docu of Young Children	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
RMLS 122	Responding to Emergencies <b>OR</b> Current CPR/First Aid Certification	2	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
EDCD 160	Role of the Early Childhood Teacher	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
COHP 205	Child Care Food & Nutrition	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
EDCD 206	Ethical Practices - Early Childhood	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

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FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
EDCD 210	Infant - Toddler Environment & Curriculum	4	ECDV 131	Infant / Toddler Curriculum	3
EDCD 211	Methods for Teaching Infants & Toddlers	4	ECDV 135	Preschool Curriculum	3
EDCD 285	Intro to Early Childhood Practicum	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
EDCD 295	Early Childhood Education Practicum	6	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
EDCD 308	Teaching Special Needs in Early Childhood Education	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
EDCD 310	Child Guidance	3	ECDV 162	Guiding Children's Behavior	3
EDCD 350	Curriculum Perspectives in Early Childhood Education	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
EDCD 380	Advocacy in Early Childhood Education	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
EDCD 410	Early Childhood Education Management & Leadership	3	ECDV 150	Administration of Early Childhood Programs	3
EDCD 425	Assessment/Research Methods in Early Childhood	4	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
EDCD 450	Current Issues in Early Childhood Education	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
EDCD 487	Intro to the Early Childhood Education Internship	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
EDCD 495	Early Childhood Education Internship	12	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

**ONE CONCENTRATION FROM LIST BELOW REQUIRED (Requires Declaration) Must be 15 - 17 credits  
(Advisor Approval)**

**EARLY CHILDHOOD MANAGEMENT CONCENTRATION – 15 Credits Required**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
ACCT 201	Principles of Accounting	3	ACCT 115	Principles of Accounting 1	4
MGMT 301	Applied Management	3	MGMT 237	Concepts of Management	3
MGMT 310	Small Business Management	3	MGMT 235	Small Business Management	3
MKTG 321	Principles of Marketing	3	MRKT 233	Principles of Marketing	3
MGMT 411	Small Business Systems & Operations	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

**EARLY CHILDHOOD LEAD TEACHER CONCENTRATION – 15 Credits Required**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
ARTS 131	Art for the Elementary Teacher	1	ARTS 225	Art for the Elementary Teacher	3
MUSI 131	Music for the Elementary Teacher	1	MUSI 110	Music in the Elementary Classroom	3
Varies	Directed Electives	13	Varies	Varies	13

**CHILD LIFE SPECIALIST CONCENTRATION – 17 Credits Required**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	MCC Equiv.	MCC Course Title	MCC Cr. Hrs.
COHP 100 or (MRIS 103)	Medical Terminology	1 or 3	No Equivalent or AHEA 215	No Equivalent or Medical Terminology	No Equivalent or 3
SOCY 225	Marriage & Family	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
COMM 320	Family Communications	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
PSYC 345	Psychology of Death & Dying	3	PHIL 230	Death & Dying	3
SOCY 373	Health & Illness in Society	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent
EDCD 430	Introduction to the Child Life Specialist Field	4	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	No Equivalent

**Total Credits Required for Degree****126 - 129****Program Delivery Locations and Contact Information:****Main Campus, Big Rapids****College of Arts, Sciences and Education****School of Education**(231) 591-3646 | [soe@ferris.edu](mailto:soe@ferris.edu)

Select courses may be delivered online and/or in a mixed delivery format (i.e. a mix of online and face-to-face instruction at the Ferris Main Campus or at an off-campus location).

## **General Admission Criteria**

### **Transfer Students – Main Campus, Big Rapids**

- Combined college or university GPA of 2.0 from all institutions attended. GPA based on completion of 12 credit hours or more. Developmental courses will not be considered in computing the GPA.
- ENGL 150 or placement in the first semester at FSU which would require an ACT English score of 16 or higher; or SAT ERW score of 450 or higher; or Accuplacer English score of 6 or higher.
- MATH 114/115 or placement in the first semester at FSU which would require an ACT MATH score of 19 or higher; SAT MATH of 500 or higher; or Accuplacer Math scores: Elementary Algebra score 75 or higher and College Level Math 0-49.

### **Advising Notes**

It is recommended that potential applicants meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected. Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of general education or elective course work may reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree. Once admitted, students must continue to meet with an advisor as they work toward graduation.

### **Transfer Student Orientation**

All new students to Ferris State University are required to complete an orientation.

### **Reverse Transfer Agreement**

Montcalm Community College and Ferris have entered into a partnership in order to work collaboratively and creatively to increase student completion of associate and bachelor's degrees. The partners work together to provide a seamless transfer experience and increase student retention and completion at both Montcalm Community College and Ferris.

### **Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA)**

Ferris participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). This agreement will facilitate the transfer of general education requirements from one Michigan institution to another. Students may complete the MTA as part of a degree program or as a stand-alone package. The MTA consists of a minimum of 30 general education credit hours as identified by the college or university.

Students transferring to Ferris with the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) and entering a degree program will have met a 30-hour block of lower-level general education courses. However, this does not exempt students from completing program specific prerequisites or higher-level general education course requirements. Students should contact their advisor regarding classes that meet the MTA.

Students must work with their Ferris advisor to declare a Minor or Concentration and for selection of Directed Electives.

## Original Signed Articulation Agreement

The original, signed document is kept on file in the Office of Transfer and Secondary School Partnerships. To obtain a copy of the original, signed document, contact the Office of Transfer and Secondary School Partnerships at (231) /591-5983 or email your request to [otssp@ferris.edu](mailto:otssp@ferris.edu).

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall be deemed to be one and the same agreement. A signed copy of this Agreement delivered by facsimile, e-mail, or other means of electronic transmission shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original signed copy of this Agreement.

## Articulation Agreement

### Effective Dates: September 1, 2021 – September 1, 2024

This Agreement shall commence as of September 1, 2021 and shall be for an initial term of three years. Minor updates to the agreement may be made during this time. This agreement may be renewed at the end of three years. Either party may terminate this agreement by providing the other party with written notice of the intent to terminate the agreement. The agreement shall terminate not less than one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of the termination notice, unless otherwise agreed in writing by both parties.

## Signatures

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