Articulation Agreement

Between

Massachusetts Bay Community College

And

Regis College

WHEREAS this guaranteed admission articulation agreement is designed to coordinate transfer policies, enhance advising, and promote the acceptance of the programmatic transfer of courses/credits between Regis College and Massachusetts Bay Community College and encourage completion of the bachelor’s degree.

Given the potential of physical proximity, the labor market, and the mission of the two institutions, it is only fitting that Regis College and MassBay form a guaranteed admission articulation agreement. Both institutions are regionally accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) with long standing histories in higher education. This agreement will make opportunities for learning accessible to a wider student population in the surrounding communities.

MassBay Community College Mission Statement:

Provides a student-centered learning environment in which a diverse student body explores, develops, and achieves educational goals; Serves the economic and cultural needs of the communities in which the College operates; Advances business, education, public service, and health care by emphasizing technology and by offering strong transfer programs in business, science, and the liberal arts.

Regis College Mission Statement:

Regis College, through education in the arts, sciences, and professions, empowers women and men to challenge themselves academically, to serve and to lead. A Catholic college, Regis is a diverse and welcoming community guided by the values of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Boston.

SUMMARY STATEMENT

This agreement will provide a guaranteed admission arrangement for students from MassBay to obtain a bachelor’s degree from Regis College in select programs within 2 years of full-time academic study. Students who have received an associate degree from MassBay Community College, with a 2.5 cumulative GPA or higher, will be guaranteed admission. Upon undergraduate admission, eligible students will be advised regarding possible fast-track options to obtain a master’s degree with 1 additional year of study.
TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Administrative Matters:

At least one academic administrator or faculty member from each institution will be appointed to act as liaisons for the implementation of this agreement, to serve as primary contact persons, and to communicate any changes to this agreement to the respective faculty members, advisors, admissions counselors, and others. Responsibility for oversight of this agreement rests with the Director of Undergraduate Admissions (or designee) at Regis College and the Provost (or designee) at MassBay. Both parties agree to communicate annually regarding any changes in their respective programs that may affect this agreement.

Regis College and MassBay Community College agree to collaborate in the areas of publicity, marketing, recruitment, curriculum, and transfer efforts as follows:

- All announcements, publicity, marketing, and recruitment activities by either institution relative to the articulation agreement will be done following a plan collaboratively developed and agreed to by both parties.
- To facilitate both student services and program planning, both institutions will develop collaboratively a process that enables the identification of students who plan to transfer under this agreement.
- Faculty and staff at both institutions will share information in this agreement with interested and qualified students, and both institutions will provide counseling and advising to current and prospective students.
- Faculty from both institutions will make an effort to provide opportunities for students studying similar course material to interact and communicate with one another, introducing both campus communities to one another.

Student Admissions and Enrollment Guidelines:

- MassBay students who graduate with an associate degree (in an approved program) and have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 are guaranteed general admission to Regis College. Once admitted, students are subject to all other policies and procedures as outlined in the Regis College catalog.

- MassBay Community College graduates will complete the Undergraduate Transfer Application at Regis College. All requirements must be completed except for the application fee. This will be waived by Regis College

- Regis College will accept a maximum of 66 semester credit hours from an approved Associate degree program (See appendix) from courses with the grade of “C” or higher. Students over the age of 24 may transfer a maximum of 80 credits dependent on the degree program selected.

- Regis College will honor the benefits and guidelines outlined in the Department of Higher Education MassTransfer Block program. The MassTransfer Block refers to a set of general education, core, or distribution requirements, consisting of 34 college-level credits.
These credits also satisfy the general education/distribution/core requirements at Regis College, with Regis being able to add no more than six additional credits/two courses. MassBay will clearly mark the official transcript of students who have completed the MassTransfer Block.

- Placement (AP), College-Level Examination Program (CLEP), and Challenge Exams completed and/or accepted by MassBay will be honored at Regis College. Students seeking credit for these courses must provide the Regis College with official transcripts and official score sheets from The College Board for validation.

- If a student does not have the prerequisites for a 300 or 400 level course at Regis College, he or she may be required to take the prerequisite course before taking upper division courses. This will be up to faculty discretion with input from the student on relative past course work.

**Financial Aid / Scholarship Opportunities**

Students eligible to attend through this articulation agreement will be eligible to receive financial assistance through the Financial Aid office at Regis College. Students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the Regis College New Student Application for Financial Aid to determine scholarship, grant, and loan eligibility.

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Regis College participates in the Yellow Ribbon Program and the post 9/11 G.I Bill. Under these programs, Regis can contribute additional funds to help assist veterans further their education. Veterans utilizing this agreement are encouraged to meet with admissions staff at Regis College for more information.
TERMS, AMENDMENTS, AND TERMINATION

This agreement shall continue for a period of five (5) years. This agreement may be renewed with the mutual consent of the parties. This agreement may be terminated by either party for any reason upon written notice to the other with at least ninety days notice prior to the effective date of termination or, if a violation of the agreement occurs, may be terminated upon written notice. This Agreement is not assignable and may not be amended, revised or modified, except in writing executed by all parties. If the agreement is terminated for any reason prior to the end of the effective period, MassBay students who were accepted into or enrolled in the articulated program prior to the termination of this agreement will be able to complete the degree program.

Massachusetts Bay Community College

Dr. John O'Donnell
President

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Date

Regis College

Dr. Antonette M. Hays
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Dr. Lish Wyatt Ganson
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## Appendix A

### Program to Program Articulation

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The programs listed above have been reviewed by MassBay Community College and Regis College to ensure seamless transferability from one institution to the other. Students interested in attending Regis from other non-listed majors, or students simply wanting to change their course of study are still encouraged to apply.

Students will receive clear, informative, one-on-one advisement from Regis College regarding the best use of credit completed at MassBay. In most cases, students will still be able to graduate with 2 years of additional undergraduate study.