ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

This articulation agreement (this “Agreement”) dated August 20, 2021 is between MIDDLESEX COMMUNITY COLLEGE, an educational institution formed under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts with its principal office located at 33 Kearney Square, Lowell, MA 01852 (hereafter referred to as “MCC”), and NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY on behalf of its COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES, a non-profit educational institution organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts with its principal office at 360 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02115 (hereafter referred to as “CPS”).

It is agreed by and between Middlesex Community College and CPS, for the mutual consideration and covenants herein contained, as follows:

1. MCC and CPS hereby agree to an articulated transfer pathway as set forth in this Agreement and the attached Appendices (“Community College Pathway”), whereby certain students from MCC may be eligible to complete a bachelor’s degree at CPS. CPS will issue MCC students a conditional letter of admission upon request following their acceptance at MCC, which letter will refer to the transfer pathway Terms (defined below) and other prerequisites for admission to a CPS Bachelors completion degree program under the transfer pathway.

2. The terms and conditions of the transfer pathway are set forth in detail at northeastern.edu/commcollege-transfer (“Transfer Pathway Terms”). The Transfer Pathway Terms, as updated and amended from time to time, are incorporated in this Agreement by reference. All courses must be completed in accordance with each institution’s academic standards and requirements, as published in the respective current catalog of each institution and set forth in any other applicable materials published by each institution, including the Transfer Pathway Terms.

3. To be eligible for the Transfer Pathway, students must (a) successfully complete one of the articulated associate degree programs outlined in the attached Appendices at MCC; and (b) fulfill the prerequisites for the chosen program and be duly admitted through a transfer admissions process as set forth herein and in the Transfer Pathway Terms. CPS retains full discretion to make the final decision on each student’s application, and admission is not guaranteed. CPS reserves the right to rescind an offer of acceptance if the student is no longer considered in good academic or disciplinary standing between the time of acceptance and matriculation.
4. MCC students accepted into CPS may transfer up to 66 semester-hours of applied credit from an accredited two-year college and are subject to the graduation requirements of the CPS catalog and other published standards issued by CPS and Northeastern University in the year of matriculation. In addition, MCC students are subject to changes that may be required to meet accreditation standards, including, but not limited to, those established by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE) or those determined by Northeastern University faculty as warranted to ensure a quality educational program.

5. The Admissions Offices, Transfer Staff, or other appropriate offices or designees of both institutions agree that they will communicate at the beginning of each fall term to discuss recruiting, entrance requirements, and any other concerns that either may have about the affiliation. Other communications between them may be scheduled as needs arise. Each party agrees that it will notify the other party as soon as possible of any changes to its programs that will impact this Agreement. Each institution shall provide the other with advance copies of, and an opportunity to correct or revise, any written materials that it intends to publish to describe the terms of this Agreement.

6. With prior written approval of the other party, either party may advertise the articulation arrangement described in this Agreement to its students, prospective students, and alumni through print, online, and interactive marketing materials such as fliers, websites, and other advertisements, subject to the guidelines and restrictions further described in this section.

   a. Each party shall provide the other with a high-resolution logo file and hereby grants the other license to use the name and/or logo as set forth above.

   b. Use of the CPS name shall be “Northeastern University College of Professional Studies” in all communications. Shortened versions such as “Northeastern,” “NU” or “CPS” shall not be used.

   c. Use of the MCC name shall be “Middlesex Community College” in all communications.

7. Neither party shall use the name, logo, likeness, trademark, image or other intellectual property of the other for advertising, marketing, endorsement or any other purpose without the specific prior written consent of an authorized representative of the other party with respect to each such use.

8. This Agreement shall continue on a year-to-year basis until terminated by either party. Either institution may terminate this Agreement in any year, without cause, provided that the terminating institution has given the other institution written notice at least 90 days prior to the effective date of such termination and further provided that no such termination shall adversely affect any student then attending or accepted by CPS pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

9. The Agreement shall be interpreted under and governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, without regard to its conflict of laws principles.
10. The parties agree that this Agreement embodies all of the agreements made by and between them, and supersedes any prior agreements and understandings, with regard to the acceptance of MCC students into CPS. Any modifications or amendments to this Agreement must be in writing and executed by both parties in order to be effective.

This Agreement has been executed by a duly authorized representative of each party as of the day and year first above written.

Middlesex Community College

BY:

PRINT: Arlene Rodriguez, Ph.D.

TITLE: Interim Provost/Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs

DATE: 9/24/2021

Northeastern University on behalf of its College of Professional Studies

BY: ________________________

PRINT: Thomas C. Sheahan

TITLE: Senior Vice Provost, Curriculum and Programs

DATE: 9/22/2021