

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN
MIDDLESEX COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S
ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN LIBERAL STUDIES-PARALEGAL DEGREE
AND
CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA'S
BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN JURISPRUDENCE WITH A CONCENTRATION IN
LEGAL STUDIES

THIS AGREEMENT, dated this 31st day of July 2014, is made by and between, Middlesex Community College, hereinafter called "MCC", located at 33 Kearney Square, Lowell, MA 01852, and California University of Pennsylvania, located at 250 University Avenue, California, Pennsylvania, hereinafter called "CAL U".

MCC and CAL U acknowledge their shared mission to provide quality higher education programs, which meet the needs of the region and provide a workforce of highly trained individuals.

The primary purpose of this agreement is to enhance the transferability between MCC's Associate of Science Degree in Liberal Studies-Paralegal Degree and CAL U's Bachelor of Arts Degree in Jurisprudence with a concentration in Legal Studies. A secondary purpose is to provide faculty and administration of both institutions with more precise guidelines for advising students interested in pursuing a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Jurisprudence with a concentration in Legal Studies.

This agreement does not exclude students from transferring to majors other than Jurisprudence with a concentration in Legal Studies. Appendix A, consisting of one (1) page, attached hereto and incorporated herein, outlines the courses that will be accepted from MCC. Appendix B, consisting of three (3) pages, attached hereto and incorporated herein, outlines the courses necessary for the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Jurisprudence with a concentration in Legal Studies.


I. MUTUAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- a. *Term of Agreement.* The term of this Agreement shall be five years from the date of execution and will be reviewed annually for accuracy. This Agreement may not exceed a period of five (5) years.
- b. *Termination of Agreement.* Either party may terminate this Agreement for any reason with ninety (90) days notice. Either party may terminate with Agreement with no prior written notice in the event of a substantial breach. However, should the Site terminate this Agreement prior to the completion of an academic semester, all students enrolled at that time may continue their educational experience until it would have been concluded absent the termination.
- c. *Nondiscrimination.* The parties agree to continue their respective policies of nondiscrimination and related procedures to insure such based on Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in regard to sex, age, race, color, creed, national origin, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and other applicable laws, as well as the provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (as amended) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.

- d. *Modification of Agreement.* This Agreement shall only be modified in writing with the same formality as the original Agreement.
- e. *Relationship of Parties.* The relationship between the parties to this Agreement to each other is that of independent contractors. The relationship of the parties to this contract to each other shall not be construed to constitute a partnership, joint venture or any other relationship, other than that of independent contractors.
- f. *Liability.* Neither of the parties shall assume any liabilities to each other. As to liability to each other or death to persons, or damages to property, the parties do not waive any defense as a result of entering into this contract. This provision shall not be construed to limit the Commonwealth's rights, claims or defenses which arise as a matter of law pursuant to any provisions of this contract. This provision shall not be construed to limit the sovereign immunity of the Commonwealth or of the State System of Higher Education or the University.
- g. *Entire Agreement.* This Agreement represents the entire understanding between the parties. No other prior or contemporaneous oral or written understandings or promises exist in regard to this relationship.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized representatives of the parties have executed this Agreement as of the final date indicated below.

Middlesex Community College:



Carole A. Cowan, Ed. D,
President
Middlesex Community College

California University of Pennsylvania:



Dr. Bruce Barnhart
Acting Provost
California University of Pennsylvania

Reviewed and approved as to form and legality:



University Legal Counsel

10-13-2014
Date of final signature

EFFECTIVE DATE
OCT 13 2014
OF CONTRACT

APPENDIX A
Associate of Science in Liberal Studies-Paralegal Program

Middlesex Community College:

General Education:

AS in Liberal Studies-Paralegal Program

Discipline Specific Concentration:

LG 101 Introduction to Law

PAR 135 Real Estate Law

Free Electives:

AS in Liberal Studies-Paralegal Program

California University of Pennsylvania:

GEE 162 General Education 41 cr.

LAW 300 The Paralegal Profession 3 cr.

LAW 350 Real Estate Law 3 cr.

ELC 162 Free Electives 14-15 cr.

Total Transfer Credits: 61-62 cr.

Residency Policy: To earn a California University of PA degree, 30 of the last 45 credits must be taken from Cal U. In addition, students will take at least 50% of credits required for the Major from a PASSHE university. The degree-granting University may require up to a maximum of 50% of the Major credits. This is in accordance with PASSHE's academic residency policy and related Board of Governors' policies.

California University of Pennsylvania

Associate of Science in Liberal Studies-Paralegal
Program to
Bachelor of Arts
College of Science and Technology
Major: Jurisprudence
Major Code: 7136

Credits Required: 120
Concentration: Legal Studies (7137)
Required Minor: None
Required Minor Code: NA

General Education (40/41 Credits)

General Education-41 Credits (fulfilled by MCC AS)

Building a Sense of Community (1 credit)

UNI 100: First Year Seminar (1 credit)

Composition (3 credits)

ENG 101: Composition I (3 credits)

Public Speaking (3 credits)

Any Public Speaking Course (3 credits)

Mathematics and Quantitative Literacy (3 credits)

Any Mathematics & Quantitative Literacy Course (3 credits)

Health and Wellness (3 credits)

Any Health and Wellness Course (3 credits)

Technological Literacy (3 credits)

Any Technological Literacy Course (3 credits)

Humanities (3 credits)

Any Humanities Course (3 credits)

Fine Arts (3 credits)

Any Fine Arts Course (3 credits)

Natural Sciences (3 credits)

Any Natural Sciences Course (3 credits)

Social Sciences (3 credits)

Any Social Sciences Course (3 credits)

General Education Options (12 credits)

Ethics and Multicultural Awareness Course (3 credits)

General Education Course (3 credits)

General Education Course (3 credits)

General Education Course (3 credits)

Additional Requirements

(Not counted toward the General Education requirements)
Special Experience Course (1 course required)

Any Special Experience Course

Upper-Division Writing Component Courses (2 courses required)

Any 2 LAW Courses designated as writing intensive

Laboratory Course (1 course required)

Any Lab Course

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Designate at least one general education course under "General Education Options". This can be a specific course or General Education Menu.

Designate the additional writing course in General Education Options, if approved.

Program Requirements

Required Major Courses (9 credits)

- JUR 300: Classical Jurisprudence (3 credits)
- JUR 310: Medieval Jurisprudence (3 credits)
- JUR 320: Anglo-American Jurisprudence (3 credits)

Required Related Courses (33 credits)

- LA 101 Introduction to Law (MCC) (3 credits)
- LAW 310: Legal Research and Writing (3 credits)
- LAW 320: Litigation and Trial Evidence (3 credits)
- LAW 330: Criminal Law for Paralegals (3 credits)
- LAW 340: Family Law (3 credits)
- PAR 135 Real Estate Law (MCC) (3 credits)
- LAW 360: Law, Business & the Workplace (3 credits)
- LAW 370: Administrative Law (3 credits)
- LAW 380: Estates and Trusts (3 credits)
- LAW 400: Constitutional Law for Paralegals (3 credits)
- LAW 410: Law and Ethics (3 credits)

Free Electives (37-38 credits)

ELC 162 Free Electives (MCC) (14-15 credits)

Program Notes:

Free Electives (37-38 credits) In addition to the LAW electives recommended (and listed for convenience) below, students are encouraged to enroll in electives relating to Business, Justice Studies, Political Science, Philosophy, Economics, Computer Science, Finance, Accounting, Management, and Social Sciences at the 300/400 level:*

- Law 390: Bankruptcy (3 credits)
- LAW 420: Law and Conflict Resolution (3 credits)
- Law 430: Elder Law (3 credits)
- LAW 440: Immigration Law (3 credits)
- LAW 450: Labor and Employment Law (3 credits)

*At least 42 credit hours must be upper division courses (300 level or higher) to qualify for graduation.

Suggested Five-Semester* Course Sequence

(for students transferring with 40 credits)

Semester 4

JUR 300 Classical Jurisprudence (3 credits)
LAW 300 The Paralegal Profession (3 credits)
LAW 310 Legal Research and Writing (3 credits)
Gen Ed or Free Elective Courses (6 credits)

Semester 5

JUR 310 Medieval Jurisprudence (3 credits)
LAW 320 Litigation and Trial Evidence (3 credits)
LAW 330 Criminal Law for Paralegals (3 credits)
Gen Ed or Free Elective Courses (6 credits)

Semester 6

LAW 340 Family Law (3 credits)
LAW 380 Estates and Trusts (3 credits)
JUR 320 Anglo-American Jurisprudence (3 credits)
Gen Ed or Free Elective Courses (9 credits)

Semester 7

LAW 350 Real Estate Law (3 credits)
LAW 360 Law, Business and the Workplace (3 credits)
LAW 400 Constitutional Law for Paralegals (3 credits)
Gen Ed or Free Elective Courses (9 credits)

Semester 8

LAW 370 Administrative Law (3 credits)
LAW 410 Law and Ethics (3 credits)
Gen Ed or Free Elective Courses (9 credits)

*Program Note: This is a transfer program and students entering this program will have at least 40 semester hours of college credit. Students entering with an associate degree will need fewer electives and may finish the program in 4 semesters.