



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING Associate in Teacher Education (WMCC) and Bachelor of Science Elementary Education and Youth Development (PSU) BLOCK TRANSFER AGREEMENT

White Mountain Community College (WMCC) and Plymouth State University (PSU) recognize the value of partnering to provide students seeking higher education a variety of accessible pathways toward achieving their goals.

The North Country Teacher Certification Program Coordinator (WMCC), a program faculty member (PSU) and the Assistant Director of Transfer Operations (PSU) have reviewed the courses from WMCC and have determined their applicability to Plymouth State University's academic requirements. The Provost at Plymouth State University has reviewed and approved this application of transfer credit.

PSU will honor the credits earned from an Associate's Degree in Teacher Education at WMCC and apply them to PSU's Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education and Youth Development. This program provides qualified students entry to PSU as a Junior from WMCC in a supportive and transparent pathway that will strengthen accessibility to higher education. In all of its policies and procedures the program will aim toward simplicity, efficiency, and affordability for participating students.

Academic Eligibility Requirements:

Student participating in the NCTCP Block transfer program:

- must have completed the Praxis Core Academic Skills test prior to beginning classes at PSU
- must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher
- must earn an Associate's Degree in Teacher Education and certificate in Special Education at WMCC

Summer Cohort:

As WMCC students have expressed interest in a 3-semester sequence to complete their degree in Elementary Education and Youth Development with the Teacher Certification option, PSU will schedule a set of summer courses as long as at least 6-8 students have committed to the program and met the requirements by April 1st.

It is recognized that this program continues the missions of WMCC and PSU in recognition of the mutual benefit we bring to New Hampshire students and their families. As such, it is understood that the provisions of this agreement will continuously improve and evolve under the guidance and oversight of a WMCC/PSU.

WMCC'S RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. A single application (with only one, if any, fee) completed from WMCC.
- 2. Bi-annual review, which will take place in fall semester, of the program which will examine the value of the program to each institution. This includes but is not limited to, assessment of number of students participating, effectiveness of policies and procedures of agreement, and effectiveness of the program creating successful students. Review will be conducted by an academic representative from each institution, and/or the designated program coordinator.
- 3. Updates will be completed by Plymouth State's Assistant Director of Transfer Operations and the designated program coordinators at WMCC and PSU. These three individuals will make up the steering committee.
- 4. WMCC will promote this transfer agreement with all students earning an Associate of Arts in Teacher Education.
- 5. Comprehensive academic advising to make sure students know the terms and conditions of the program and that they start and stay on track.
- 6. The program requires completion of an Associate Degree in Teacher Education at WMCC .
- 7. Sharing and exchange of information where appropriate with metrics to measure success.

PSU'S RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Bi-annual review, which will take place in the fall semester, of the program which will examine the value of the program to each institution. This includes but is not limited to, assessment of number of students participating, effectiveness of policies and procedures of agreement, and effectiveness of the program creating successful students. Review will be conducted by an academic representative from each institution, and/or the designated program coordinator.
- 2. Updates will be completed by Plymouth State's Assistant Director of Transfer Operations and the designated program coordinators at PSU and WMCC. These three individuals will make up the steering committee.
- 3. PSU will promote this transfer agreement with all prospective students during recruitment travel who demonstrate interest in beginning their collegiate education at a community college.
- 4. Comprehensive academic advising to make sure students know the terms and conditions of the program and that they start and stay on track.

- 5. A communication plan to keep students informed on important matters from the point of inquiry through PSU enrollment.
- 6. Sharing and exchange of information where appropriate with metrics to measure success.

This Transfer Agreement will officially begin Summer 2023 and will remain in effect until a written notification is sent from either party to the other party. At the time the written notification is sent, both institutions will indicate how students currently in the pipeline will be handled. This program will be available for entry immediately and will be available to students enrolled at WMCC.

BLOCK TRANSFER COURSE DETAILS:

WMCC Teacher Education Block Transfer students will transfer 78 credits* to PSU as follows:

- ECE112 Child Growth and Development (3)
- EDU101 Introduction to Exceptionalities (3)
- EDU104 Foundations of Education (3)
- ENGL120 College Composition (4)
- Humanities (10)
- EDU204 Instructional Technology (3)
- EDU218 Design of Instruction (3)
- PSYC111 Psychology (3)
- Science (8)
- EDU209 Integrated Arts (3)
- MATH220 Math in Our World I (4)
- PSYC200 Educational Psychology (3)
- English (3)
- EDU207 Teaching and Learning (3)
- EDU210 Foundations of Diversity (3)
- MATH222 (4)
- Social Science (3)
- EDU200 Supporting Students w/Challenging Behaviors (3)
- EDU201 Legal Issues in Education (3)
- EDU203 Teaching Strategies for Students with Disabilities (3)
- ECE213 Sociology of Children and Families (3)

*may include credits from CLEP, DANTES, credit by exam and/or prior learning assessment options

WMCC Teacher Education Block transfer students will complete 42 credits at PSU following this recommended course sequence:

Semester 1: 12 Credits

• ED3500 Project Based Learning and Design Thinking (4)

- ED3010 Designing Positive Learning Experiences (4)
- ED3150 Early Literacy (4)

Semester 2: 16 Credits

- ED4200 Integrated Methods (9)
- ED4210 Integrated Methods Practicum (3)
- INCP (4)

Semester 4: 14 Credits

- ED4400 Elementary Internship in Teaching (12)
- ED4450 Elementary Internship Seminar (2)

Participating colleges include:

Kristen Miller	
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03/30/23

Date

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03/31/23

Nathaniel Bowditch, Ph.D. Date Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Authorized Signer:

03/31/23

Tracy L. Claybaugh or Laurie R. Wilcox VP or AVP for Finance and Administration Date