

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
Miami-Dade Career Pathways Consortium

This agreement dated August, 2008 is between Miami Dade College (MDC) and Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS).

I. Articulated Components

In a continuing effort to serve the needs of all students, MDC agrees to extend College credit to graduates of M-DCPS Career Pathways toward Associate in Science Degree, pursuant to the list of articulated courses approved.

Students can take courses at the secondary level to obtain Occupational Completion Points, industry certifications and MDC College credits. Through this articulation agreement, students can earn College credits at MDC, based on the number of courses completed and course performance at MDCPS.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools Program	Occupational Completion Points (OCP)	Miami Dade College Course	Credits

II. Provisions

This agreement makes it possible for a student completing M-DCPS secondary level programs to receive priority admission in each admission selection category into the Associate in Science Degree in program areas where there is an articulation agreement in place, and earn College credits at MDC provided the following conditions are met:

- A. Transferring students must furnish an official copy of their transcript. The transcript must show completion of the Career Pathways Consortium (CPC) program of study and a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of "C" or higher. Students must attain a grade of "B" or higher in each Career Pathway articulated course.
- B. Students must meet all MDC admission requirements as stated in the latest College catalog.
- C. Students will be awarded credit for the articulated MDC courses after completing a total of 15 credits at MDC in courses prescribed by the MDC Associate in Science degree curriculum. The minimum of 15 credits completed at MDC must include three credits in English Composition 1 (ENC 1101), three credits in any other general education core requirement, and nine credits of higher-level courses in the degree program outlined in this agreement.
- D. Students will not be charged for credit hours granted at the postsecondary level, and no grades will be awarded for the transfer credits. A notation will appear on the student's MDC transcript to indicate the source and basis for awarding the credits toward the MDC Associate in Science degree.
- E. Deficiencies, as identified by MDC, must be satisfied through test scores above the College preparatory level or completion of College preparatory courses before articulated credits will be posted.

- F. M-DCPS faculty assigned to teach in the Career Pathways Program outlined within this agreement must satisfy the faculty credentialing requirements of the Commission of Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

III. Term

This agreement shall be in effect from the date above for a period of four (4) years. Students requesting credit shall satisfy the conditions of the articulation agreement at MDC within two years after completing the CPC program. Any request for credit received after that period shall be reviewed under MDC policies and procedures in effect at the time of the request.

IV. Process

Students shall be responsible for initiating the checkout process by completing all the items and conditions of the Articulation Agreement as listed below:

Step 1: Satisfy all MDC admission requirements as stated in the latest College catalog.

Step 2: Complete 15 hours of MDC coursework as outlined in this agreement.

Step 3: Submit official M-DCPS and MDC transcripts to the Department Chairperson of any campus of MDC offering the Associate in Science Degree in the area(s) of secondary school, program completion.

The Chairperson will complete a "*Request for Awarding College Credit for Miami-Dade County Public Schools Career Pathways Consortium*".

Students will be notified of evaluation results and articulated course credits will be posted.

Step 4: The Registrar's Office will forward a request form to the Transcript Evaluation department for posting of the articulated course credits on the student's transcript.

V. Confidentiality and Student Records

MDC and M-DCPS understand and agree that they are subject to all federal and state laws and School Board rules relating to the confidentiality of student information. Both institutions further agree to comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). They shall regard all student information as confidential and will not disclose the student information to any third party.

VI. Revisions

This agreement shall be reviewed as needed by both parties. Proposed revisions may be initiated in writing by either party for review, negotiation, and approval. Any revisions to the agreement must be in writing and signed by both parties.

VII. Governing Law and Venue

This agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. Any dispute with respect to this agreement is subject to the laws of Florida, venue in Miami-Dade County.

Authorized Signatures

Approved: Miami Dade College

Approved: Miami-Dade County Public Schools

Eduardo J. Padrón, Ph.D. Date
College President

Alberto M. Carvalho Date
Superintendent of Schools