

COLLABORATIVE ADMISSION AGREEMENT

Miami-Dade Community College, FL & Mount Holyoke College, MA

Mount Holyoke College and Miami-Dade Community College (M-DCC) hereby enter into the following collaborative admission agreement governing the matriculation at Mount Holyoke College of Associate of Arts graduates from M-DCC beginning in the fall term of 1999 and continuing for a period of two years, after which both institutions will review the agreement.

The Agreement sets out to make the transfer process as easy as possible by providing clear information on degree requirements and credit policies. Mount Holyoke recognizes the value and scope of the A.A. degree in liberal arts from M-DCC and, in general, regards the courses required for this degree as equivalent to our own distribution requirements (see below). During the period of this agreement, both institutions agree to arrange agreement meetings to notify each other concerning any contemplated curricular changes that would affect the future of this agreement.

General Requirements for Transfer of Credits from M-DCC to Mount Holyoke College

Only courses with grades between A and C- will be accepted for credit; courses with grades below C- will not transfer. Students wishing to receive credit for independent study must submit a full description of their work for departmental approval.

Only liberal arts courses are accepted for transfer. (See more specific information in the notes that follow.) Mount Holyoke College will award two full years of advanced standing (64 credits) to any graduate of Miami-Dade Community College, as long as all credits taken toward the Miami-Dade degree are acceptable for transfer. If some are not, the amount of credits accepted will be reduced. Particular note should be taken of those courses that meet the M-DCC general education requirements but would not be accepted for credit toward the Mount Holyoke degree. These are noted in the accompanying specific course list.

Mount Holyoke College has the following requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree:

Students must complete a total of 128 academic credits. in addition, 6 "credits" in physical education, which do not count for academic credit. The PE requirement is reduced to 2-4 credits for transfer students. For those transferring 56 or more academic credits, 2 PE credits are required; 4 PE credits are required for those transferring 25-55 academic credits.

Students must fulfill a language requirement: either one year at the elementary level in a language new to the student, or one semester at the intermediate or advanced level (the latter need not be a new language). At this time, American Sign Language does not fulfill the language requirement although academic credit is granted. [Note: no credit is given for one semester of language at the elementary level, whether or not that language is being used to meet the requirement.] Students may fulfill the language requirement either at M-DCC, or at Mount Holyoke.

Students must fulfill a multicultural perspectives requirement: one semester course devoted primarily to the study of some aspect of Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Middle East, or the nonwhite peoples of North America which incorporates a diversity of perspectives. A list of courses meeting this requirement is included in each year's catalogue of courses. Students may fulfill the multicultural perspectives requirement either at M-DCC, or at Mount Holyoke.

Students must fulfill distribution requirements: courses in seven different categories, distributed among the three curricular divisions outlined below.

Group I -- Humanities: *three courses including at least one course from each of the two subgroups*

- a. Art, dance, English literature or foreign literature in translation, foreign literature (ancient or modern), music, theater arts. [Language courses used to meet a student's language requirement may not also be used to meet this distribution requirement.]
- b. History, philosophy, religion.

Group II -- Science and Mathematics: *two courses including at least one laboratory course in a natural or physical science*

- a. Computer science, mathematics, statistics. [Note: particular limitations apply to transfer of courses in Computer Science and Mathematics. See specific notes that follow.]
- b. Astronomy, biological sciences, chemistry, geology, physics. [Note: to meet the requirement for subgroup b, a course must have a laboratory component; lecture-only courses cannot meet the requirement.]

Group III -- Social Sciences: *two courses*

- a. Anthropology, economics, geography, politics, psychology, sociology. [Note: History applies to the Humanities group.]

Major: students must complete a major in an established department or program, or they may design a special major of their own. Majors within single departments generally require at least 32 credits, of which at least 12 must be at the advanced (300) level. Students majoring within single departments must complete an outside-the-major requirement of at least 68 credits outside the major field, including a minor (16 credits above the introductory of 100-level). Interdisciplinary and special majors require 40 credits, of which 20 must be at the 300-level. There is no outside-the-major requirement for students completing interdisciplinary or special majors.

Descriptions of requirements for established majors and minors appear in the Mount Holyoke College catalogue. Coursework from a previous institution may apply toward the student's major or minor with the approval of the student's academic advisor and the department concerned.

Specific comments on Miami-Dade Community College courses
and transfer to Mount Holyoke College

DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS

In general, a student who completes the core courses and appropriately selected courses from among the seven categories of distribution courses included in the general education requirements for the M-DCC Associate in Arts degree will have fulfilled her Mount Holyoke distribution requirements. There are, however, a few differences between the systems and a student interested in developing a program that would allow for a smooth transition on transfer into the Mount Holyoke curriculum should make note of those differences. Listed below are the general education requirements for the M-DCC Associate in Arts degree with the important differences highlighted.

General Education 36 credits

Core Courses: 9 credits

Communication 6 credits
ENC 1101 (As a single course, would not give distribution.)
ENC 1102

Oral Communication 3 credits
Select one course
ENC 2106 (Would not give distribution)
LIT 2411
SPC 1026

Distribution Courses: 27 credits

Humanities 6 credits
Select two courses
ARH 1000, 2050, 2740 (no credit), 2051
HUM 1020
MUL 1010, 2380
PHI 2604, 2010
ARC 2701, 2702
IND 1100 (no credit), 1130 (no credit)
MUH 2111, 2112
LIT 2120
THE 2000
DAN 2118

Electives and Required General Education Elective 27 credits

Students should choose elective courses from among the traditional Liberal Arts areas of study. Courses from the following programs of study offered at M-DCC will transfer to Mount Holyoke. Co-op work will not be given credit. Students wishing credit for independent study must submit a full description of their work for evaluation by the appropriate department. Students who have questions may contact the Offices of the Registrar or Transfer Dean at Mount Holyoke College.

American and Afro-American Studies

Anthropology

Art (*with the exception of Ceramics, Jewelry and Metalsmithing, and similar "craft" oriented subjects*)

Biological Sciences

Chemistry

Computer Science [*Note: Mount Holyoke computer science faculty will examine M-DCC courses for transfer on a case by case basis. In general, those courses that contain, at a minimum, a programming component are likely to transfer whereas those that focus on computer applications, such as word processing, are not likely to transfer.*]

Dance

Education

English

Geography

Geology

History

International Relations

Judaic Studies

Languages

Mathematics (*courses in Mathematics and Statistics will be evaluated for credit on a case by case basis.*)

Music History or Literature (*credit is not given for performance studies*)

Physics

Political Science

Psychology

Sociology

Theater Arts

Language Requirement

With the exception of American Sign Language, all of the two semester sequences of elementary level languages would satisfy the Mount Holyoke requirement. For the student experienced in a language, the Intermediate levels would, in all cases, satisfy the requirement. [Note: the same course may not satisfy both the language requirement and a distribution in Humanities.]

Multicultural Perspectives Requirement

A course that meets distribution in a given category may also meet the Multicultural Perspectives requirement at the same time. There are numerous courses among those that students might choose as electives that would satisfy this requirement.

The following courses, which are included in the Social Sciences at M-DCC, would be accepted for distribution in Group I -- Humanities at Mount Holyoke:

AMH 2020
WOH 2022

Behavioral/Social Sciences 6 credits

Select 2 courses

ISS 1161, 1120
PPE 1005 (Would not give distribution)
DEP 2000
PSY 2012
ANT 2410
ECO 2013
SYG 2000

Natural Sciences 6 credits

[Note: to be accepted for distribution in Group II -- Science and Mathematics at Mount Holyoke, the laboratory must be taken with the courses.]

Select two courses

AST
BSC
BOT
CHM
GLY
HUN 1201
MET
OCE
PCB 2003
PHY
PSC
ZOO

Mathematics 6 credits

Select two courses

MAC 2311, 2312, 2313
MAD 2104
MAP 2302
MAS 2103

Collaborative Admission Agreement

Mount Holyoke College
and
Miami-Dade Community College

Mount Holyoke College and Miami-Dade Community College have completed the development of a Collaborative Admission Agreement.

The chief executive and administrative officers of each institution do hereby execute this agreement by virtue of their signatures as affixed below. The agreement will be reviewed at least every two years and shall continue until such time as either party revokes it in writing.

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for security

Dr. Eduardo J. Padrón
District President
Miami-Dade Community College

4-14-00
Date

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Dr. Joanne V. Creighton
President
Mount Holyoke College

10/20/99
Date