

**TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
including a Bachelor's to Master's option**

Westchester Community College, SUNY

**75 Grasslands Road
Valhalla, NY 10595**

and

Sarah Lawrence College

**1 Mead Way
Bronxville, NY 10708**

I. PURPOSE

Westchester Community College (hereafter referred to as WCC), a community college in Westchester County, New York and Sarah Lawrence College, an institution in Westchester County, New York, agree to articulate the programs outlined in this document to ensure a smooth transfer process for Westchester Community College graduates.

The purpose of this Articulation Agreement (the “Agreement”) is to establish collaboration between Westchester Community College and Sarah Lawrence College, to promote degree completion and facilitate the transfer process. This Agreement provides assurance that students will matriculate into the undergraduate Bachelor of Arts program in the Liberal Arts & Sciences at Sarah Lawrence College with junior standing, and upon completing their junior year with at least a 3.00 GPA (Sarah Lawrence GPA only) and 90 completed credits, will be offered automatic admission into the 5-year Art of Teaching Master’s program. Students with a GPA lower than 3.00 in their junior year or with less than 90 credits will not receive automatic admission into the Art of Teaching program, but be admitted on a case-by-case basis. The following general principles guide the operation of this Agreement:

II. ADMISSION

This agreement applies to those students who have followed the Westchester Community College fall 2020 undergraduate catalog requirements, or thereafter. Westchester Community College will inform Sarah Lawrence College of any curriculum changes to the relevant degree programs as part of this Agreement.

This Agreement only applies to students who have successfully met graduation requirements and received the Associate’s degree prior to enrollment at the transfer institution. They will be accepted to Sarah Lawrence College based on the following conditions:

III. UPON MEETING TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS

Upon meeting transfer admission requirements students will transfer with **junior standing** at Sarah Lawrence College. Students who transfer from Westchester Community College to Sarah Lawrence College are expected to adhere to general academic policies and procedures required for admission to the College, and to fulfill any particular requirements (regarding GPA, prerequisites, clinical experience, etc.) that may be in place for certain academic programs at the College. The Sarah Lawrence College [Student Handbook](#) specifies, in detail, all relevant policies and procedures.

IV. ACCEPTANCE OF CREDITS

Sixty credits from the associate degree will be applied toward the completion of the articulated bachelor’s degree program. A minimum of 120 credits, with 60 credits earned at Sarah Lawrence College, are required to qualify for the Bachelor of Arts degree.

Students will receive a transfer credit evaluation at the time of admission.

V. GENERAL EDUCATION CREDITS

Sarah Lawrence College requires students to complete two courses in each of three of the college's four Areas of Study¹ in order to earn a bachelor's degree. For the purpose of this requirement, a course is defined as one in which at least three credits is earned. The general education requirements in both the Childhood Education A.S. degree tracks and the A.A.S degree in Early Childhood A.A.S at WCC satisfy the 30-credit distribution requirement at Sarah Lawrence College. This applies to all accepted students, regardless of whether a program-to-program equivalency exists.

VI. “2 + 2 +1” OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to the program to program alignments, guaranteeing that students can graduate in 4 years (full-time) between the two institutions, the following alignments guarantee that students can graduate in a total of 5 years (full-time) with a master's program, known as “2 + 2 + 1.” Those options are as follows:

WCC Associate's Degree	<u>Sarah Lawrence College,</u> Bachelor's Degree	<u>Sarah Lawrence College,</u> Master's Degree
Childhood Education (all tracks), A.S.	Liberal Arts & Sciences, B.A.	Art of Teaching, MS Ed.
Early Childhood, A.A.S	Liberal Arts & Sciences, B.A	Art of Teaching, MS Ed.

VII. PROMOTION/OUTREACH

WCC and Sarah Lawrence College agree to publicize this Agreement via, but not limited to printed and electronic marketing materials and communications. WCC and Sarah Lawrence College agree to collaborate to ensure successful transfer initiatives.

WCC and Sarah Lawrence College grant a reciprocal license for each to use the name and/or logo of the other educational institution for the purpose of promotion and advertisement of this specific agreement, addressing graduates of Westchester Community College, and promoting their associate degree completion. Neither party is authorized to use the other's name and/or logo for any purpose other than stated herein. Advertisement will be disseminated only after consultation and mutual agreement between the parties. WCC and Sarah Lawrence College will communicate their marketing and promotion plan to each other to avoid duplication and to make effective use of promotion resources.

VIII. FIELDWORK PLACEMENTS

As part of this agreement, Sarah Lawrence College commits to providing fieldwork placements in its Early Childhood Center to interested Westchester Community College students, continuing a long-standing tradition. Sarah Lawrence College will offer placement to at least two Westchester Community College students each semester, provided that existing Sarah Lawrence graduate and undergraduate students' fieldwork needs have been met. Sarah Lawrence College will prioritize Westchester Community College students who have formally expressed an interest in the 5th-year Art of Teaching program as outlined in this Agreement, but in all cases will try to place as many WCC students as possible, given the enrollment at the Early Childhood Center and other scheduling and resource constraints.

¹ Humanities, Natural Science & Mathematics, History & The Social Sciences, Creative & Performing Arts

IX. PILOT FUNDING

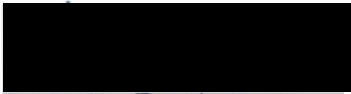



As part of an initial pilot of this program, two Westchester Community College students admitted to Sarah Lawrence College for the Fall of 2021, with an intention to pursue the 5th-year Art of Teaching 2+2+1 program, under this Transfer Articulation Agreement will be packaged with grants/scholarship to meet 100% of demonstrated need for the cost of tuition and fees. Additionally, these students will be eligible for additional increased aid amounts from institutional and other sources to help support the full cost of attendance. Sarah Lawrence will guarantee this level of funding for up to 132 attempted undergraduate credits, including the 60 transfer credits, for students who maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress towards a degree, as determined by the Committee of Student Work.

X. TERM/MONITOR/REVIEW

- A.** The initial term of this agreement shall be four years from the date of the signature, with three (3) automatic renewals of two years each.
- B.** The agreement may be amended or renewed by mutual agreement and will be formalized via revision of this agreement.
- C.** Sarah Lawrence College will provide WCC upon request with statistics regarding transfer students from WCC. Data requested includes number of applications, enrollments, transfer credits, GPAs, financial aid awarded outside of state/federal aid, as well as completion statistics.
- D.** WCC and Sarah Lawrence College agree to communicate program changes in a timely manner to avoid disruption of student progress toward degree completion.

XI. TERMINATION

The Agreement may be terminated by either party after written notification with a minimum of 90 days' notice. Termination of the Agreement will not adversely affect any students currently pursuing this program track at WCC or enrolled at or accepted to Sarah Lawrence College at the time of termination.

Westchester Community College			
<i>Provost & Vice President of Academic Affairs</i>	<i>Dr. Vanessa Morest</i>		3/16/2021
	<i>Name</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>
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*There are two original signed documents, one for each institution.
Upon completion, please return documents to:*

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