INSTITUTIONAL ARTICULATED PATHWAY AGREEMENT

Montgomery College

and

University of Maryland, College Park

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This agreement is effective with new school admits beginning in fall, 2020.

This agreement will be reviewed biennially.

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Montgomery College (MC), a community college in Montgomery County, Maryland, and the University of Maryland, College Park (UMD), a four-year school in College Park, Maryland, and a member of the University System of Maryland, agree to the following pathway from the Associate of Arts in General Studies with a certificate in Data Science offered at MC that will lead to the award of a Bachelor of Science in Information Science offered at the Universities at Shady Grove (USG).

PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT

This agreement is entered into in the interests of our students. The general purpose of this agreement is to make clear the terms of this institutional articulated pathway. It will set expectations for administrators, faculty and staff at both institutions, and foster a working relationship between the parties. Finally, it will encourage students to continue their education for their own personal and professional development.

ADMINSTRATIVE PRINCIPLES

The following general principles guide the operation of this agreement:

- 1. The pathway is designed for graduates of the A.A. in General Studies with a Data Science certificate at MC. A maximum of 60 credit hours from MC will be allowed towards fulfillment of the 120 credit hours required for baccalaureate completion at UMD.
- 2. In accordance with Code of Maryland Regulation, all courses meeting general education requirements at MC will transfer to school as general education. Other general education requirements will be met by using required or elective courses at school as noted in the pathway.
- 3. The maximum number of credits that will be accepted by UMD toward degree requirements from non-direct classroom instruction (including CLEP, AP, other nationally recognized standardized examination scores and other postsecondary institutions) is 60 credits. If the credit is not on the MC transcript, the student may submit the score report to be evaluated by UMD and credit will be applied as determined by UMD's evaluation. Credit awarded for experiential learning ("life experience") if awarded by MC is recognized by, and is transferable to, UMD. At least 25 percent of credit coursework must be earned at MC. At least 60 credits must be earned at UMD to be eligible for graduation; no more than 30 credits can be earned via credit by exam, nationally-recognized exams, or portfolio.
- 4. UMD will determine the applicability of course work taken at other postsecondary institutions.
- 5. This agreement is for the purposes of transfer credit only, and does not address nor guarantee any expectations of institutional or degree admissions requirements, financial aid and scholarship eligibility unless otherwise noted.
- 6. This agreement becomes effective on the date set forth on the first page of this document. One semester, or six months' notice, must be provided in writing should either party wish to terminate the agreement. The institutions will work together to provide information for students currently using the pathway.
- 7. Both institutions agree to notify the other, in writing, of curriculum changes within sixty days of the change. Changes to curriculum can be made without completing the signatory process. The degree requirements will be reviewed biennially; the agreement will be reviewed every five years.

8. The office of record for institutional partnership agreements at UMD is the Office of Senior Vice President and Provost. The office of record for agreements at Montgomery College is the Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs.

APPENDICIES

As part of this agreement, the following have been included:

1. A Suggested Transfer Pathway showing the classes required for an A.A. in General Studies with a Data Science certificate degree from MC to the Information Science degree from UMD.

These appendices can be changed by mutual agreement, without the procedural process review or revision of the entire institutional articulated pathway.