

## TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

between

**QUINSIGAMOND COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

and

**MCPHS University**

THIS TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT dated January 24, 2023 is between Quinsigamond Community College, a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Massachusetts, having an address at 670 West Boylston Street, Worcester, Massachusetts 01606 (“QCC”), and MCPHS University, a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, having an address at 179 Longwood Ave., Boston, Massachusetts 02115 (“MCPHS”).

WHEREAS, MCPHS and QCC wish to facilitate the transfer process for QCC’s students interested in continuing their studies in the Accelerated Doctor of Pharmacy (the “PharmD Program”) at MCPHS University School of Pharmacy on the Worcester or Manchester campus,

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and agreements contained herein, QCC and MCPHS hereby agree as follows:

1. **Admissions Options.** Students enrolled at QCC may be eligible for transfer to MCPHS as follows:
  - a. **Option A (2+3)** - Students from QCC may complete a two-year, Associate’s degree in FIELD at QCC, including the Admission Requirements set forth in Section 2 below, and then transfer to MCPHS-Worcester or Manchester campus to complete the requirements of the accelerated PharmD Program.
2. **Admission Requirements.** QCC students must have a GPA of 3.00 or higher overall and in all prerequisite courses, and must satisfy all application and admission requirements, including completion of prerequisite courses, and complete a transfer application through PharmCAS as outlined on the MCPHS website. Matriculation into the PharmD Program is possible only for the fall semester.

The required prerequisite courses offered by QCC must be the equivalent of those offered at MCPHS to satisfy Admission Requirements set forth in this Section 2. The current approved QCC prerequisite courses, reviewed by faculty at both institutions, are set forth in Schedule 1 attached hereto and made a part hereof, and may differ depending upon the applicable admission option chosen. Successful completion of the prerequisite requirements is defined as prerequisite completion with a letter grade of C or higher within the last ten (10) years.

QCC Students who are determined by MCPHS to have successfully met all current Admission Requirements are eligible for a guaranteed interview and will have priority consideration in the admission process to the PharmD Program.

QCC students who do not meet the program admission requirements may be considered for admission on a case-by-case basis.

Students applying from countries where English is not the first language must submit a 79 IBT TOEFL or 6.5 IELTS score report. In addition,

- For students who studied in the United States for four or more years of high school, the TOEFL requirement may be waived.
  - For students who completed a higher degree or a minimum of two years of full-time study at a university/college located in the United States or in another country in which English is both the primary spoken language of daily life and the medium of instruction, the TOEFL requirement may be waived.
3. **Nondiscrimination Statement.** At no time shall either party discriminate against any person on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, including transgender status or gender expression, national origin or citizenship status, age, disability or veteran status.
  4. **Intent to Apply.** QCC students must declare their intent to transfer to MCPHS by completing the MCPHS online form, a link to which shall be provided on the QCC's website (link), no later than December 1. The QCC shall send a copy to the MCPHS Admission Office representatives no later than the end of the spring semester of the student's first year for Option A. The student must submit a PharmCAS application no later than February 1 of the enrolling year. QCC student will be admitted to MCPHS as a first year PharmD Program student when MCPHS has determined, in its sole discretion, that all admissions requirements and procedures have been satisfied.
  5. **Subject to Change.** Students will be required to meet the then current admission requirements published on the MCPHS website, as updated from time to time, to ensure adequate preparation and student success in the Program. It is expressly understood and agreed that admission or prerequisite requirements must be amended any time accreditation requirements are updated or changed. Admission or prerequisite requirements may also be amended based on MCPHS programmatic assessment data. The PharmCAS website displays current MCPHS admission requirements, which are also posted on the MCPHS- Doctor of Pharmacy (Accelerated PharmD) websites.
  6. **Prerequisites and Transferred Coursework.** QCC students may apply a maximum of 18 credit hours toward the prerequisite requirements through CLEP examinations with written approval from the Director of Admission at MCPHS University. **Any changes to the approved QCC prerequisite courses must be agreed upon by both parties in writing.**
  7. **Program Liaison.** A faculty or staff member at QCC shall be designated to act as advisor from the time a student declares their interest in the PharmD Program and shall serve as the liaison with the MCPHS Admission office on all aspects of transfer to the PharmD Program.
  8. **Admission Role.** The Admission offices of MCPHS and QCC shall communicate, at the beginning of each fall term, to discuss recruiting, entrance requirements, and any other concerns that either may have about this Agreement. Other communications between them

may be scheduled as needs arise. Each party agrees that it will communicate as soon as practicable to the other party any changes to its programs that may impact this Agreement. Each of MCPHS and QCC shall provide the other with advance copies of any written or electronic materials that it publishes to describe the terms of this Agreement.

9. **Indemnification.** Each party hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the other party from and against any and all losses, damages, liabilities and other expenses of every kind and nature, including reasonable attorney's fees but not including any consequential or special damages, sustained by or incurred by the other party as a result of any debts, actions, causes of action, claims, suits, liabilities, obligations or damages whatsoever resulting from the indemnifying party's (i) breach or default under this Agreement; and (ii) the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying party. The right to indemnification set forth herein shall be in addition to and not in derogation of any other rights contained in this Agreement. Each party shall promptly notify the other party of any action commenced or claim made or threatened against the notifying party arising from the indemnifying party's conduct. The indemnifying party may assume the defense of, and may settle that part of any such action commenced against the notifying party which relates to the indemnifying party's indemnification, and the indemnifying party may take such other steps as may be necessary to protect itself. If the indemnifying party assumes such defense, the notifying party shall have the right to participate in such defense at the notifying party's expenses and through counsel of its own choice. If the indemnifying party does not assume such a defense, the notifying party may take such other steps as may be necessary to protect itself. In such a case, the notifying party shall conduct the proceedings through its own counsel, but the indemnifying party shall have the right to participate through counsel of its own choice. The assumption of such defense by the notifying party shall in no way affect the indemnification by the indemnifying party of all liabilities and expenses. The indemnifying party shall not be liable to the notifying party on account of any settlement of any such claim or litigation effected without the indemnifying party's consent. The right of the indemnifying party to assume the defense of any action shall be limited to that part of the action commenced against the notifying party which relates to the indemnifying party's indemnification.
10. **Effective and Termination Dates.** This Agreement shall be effective on January 24, 2023, and shall continue until terminated by either party. Either institution may terminate this Agreement in any year, without cause, provided that the terminating institution has given the other institution written notice at least six (6) months prior to the effective date of such termination and further provided that termination may occur only at the end of a full academic year. In the event that said Agreement is not terminated, it will automatically be extended year by year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that MCPHS terminates this Agreement, the options for transfer into the PharmD Program in Worcester/Manchester as set forth in this Agreement will continue to be offered to students who have declared their desire to transfer to MCPHS prior to termination of the Agreement.
11. **Regional Accreditation.** Both MCPHS and QCC represent and agree that they are and shall remain during the term of this Agreement fully accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE) (or any successor organization). Each party further represents

and warrants to the other that it is duly commissioned by the appropriate state governing authorities to offer post-secondary educational degrees.

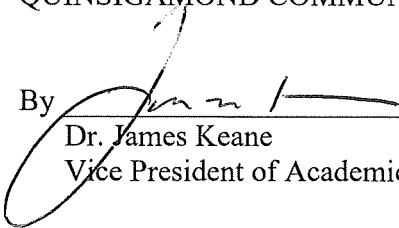
12. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

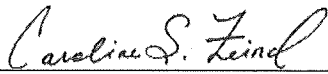
13. **Notification of Changes in Writing.** The parties agree that this Agreement embodies all of the agreements made by and between them and supersedes any prior agreements and understandings with the subject matter hereto, and that any modifications or amendments hereof must be in writing executed by both parties in order to be effective. All notices or other communications made or given hereunder shall be in writing, with an official signature, and sent to the Provost's of each institution.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, MCPHS and QCC have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives as of the date first set forth above.

QUINSIGAMOND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

MCPHS UNIVERSITY

By   
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Dr. James Keane  
Vice President of Academic Affairs

By   
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Caroline S. Zeind, PharmD, RPh  
Vice President for Academic  
Affairs/Provost  
1/24/2023

Approved as to form by  
MCPHS University Legal Affairs.  
 1/24/2023

**Schedule 1  
Curriculum Evaluation and Equivalences**

<b>MCPHS SOP PharmD Prerequisite Courses and Credits*</b>	<b>QCC Courses</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General Biology I (3 credits; lab is optional) &amp; II with lab (4 credits)</li> </ul>	BIO 107 Biology I/II (3 credits) (4 credits)** BIO 108/BIO 106 Biology II/I (4 credits)**
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anatomy and/or Physiology (3 Credits)</li> </ul>	BIO 111 Anatomy and Physiology I (3 Credits) (4 credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>General Chemistry I &amp; II with lab (8 credits)</li> </ul>	CHM 105 Chemistry I (4 credits) CHM 106 Chemistry II (4 credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Microbiology with lab (3 credits)</li> </ul>	BIO 231 or 232 Microbiology (3 Credits) (4 credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organic Chemistry I with lab (4 Credits) &amp; Organic Chemistry II (3 credits; lab is optional)</li> </ul>	CHM 201 Organic Chemistry I (4 credits) CHM 202 Organic Chemistry II (4 credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Calculus (3 credits)</li> </ul>	MAT 233 Calculus (3 credits) (4 credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Math or Computer Science Elective (3 credits)</li> </ul>	MAT 124 Trigonometry (3 credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Statistics (3 credits) (Acceptable substitutions include Basic Statistics, Biostatistics, Psychological Statistics, Economic Statistics)</li> </ul>	MAT 122 Statistics (3 Credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Physics (3 credits)</li> </ul>	PHY 105 Physics I (3 credits) (4 credits)
<p><b>Additional courses required for students without a U.S. or Canadian Bachelor's Degree:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Composition (3 credits)</li> </ul>	ENG 101 English I (3 credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English Elective (3 credits) (Acceptable courses include any additional English course including Introduction to Literature, Poetry, Women Writers, English Composition II, or English Literature)</li> </ul>	ENG 102 English II (3 credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Introduction to Psychology (3 credits)</li> </ul>	PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology (3 credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Introduction to Sociology (3 credits)</li> </ul>	SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology (3 credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Introduction to History or Political Science (3 credits)</li> </ul>	Any "HST" or "PSC" department elective
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Economics (3 credits)</li> </ul>	Any "ECO" department course

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Humanities elective (3 credits) (Acceptable courses include Literature, Creative Writing, Philosophy, Ethics, Religious Studies, Select Fine Arts, Advanced Level Languages)</li></ul>	Any elective from the following departments: ASL, ART, ENG, FRC, GER, HUM, MUS, PHI, SPH, SPN, THA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Social Science Elective (3 credits) (Acceptable courses include Cultural Studies, Anthropology, Government, American Studies, Women's Studies, Ethnic Studies, or an additional History or Political Science course)</li></ul>	Any elective from the following departments: HST, PSC, ANT, ECO, GEO, SOS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Behavioral Science elective (3 credits) (Acceptable courses include any upper level psychology or sociology course)</li></ul>	Any elective from the following departments: PSY, SOC

**\* Required courses for students with a U.S. or Canadian Bachelor's Degree or a U.S. Master's Degree**