

**ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**

**FOR  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

**BETWEEN**

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY COLLEGE**

**AND**

**NEW JERSEY CITY UNIVERSITY**

## **I. Purpose and Goals**

- The purpose of this agreement is to outline the terms and conditions of the articulation agreement between the Middlesex Community College (MCC) Associate in Science (A.S.) and Associate in Arts (A.A.) degrees in Criminal Justice and the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice (B.S.) degree at New Jersey City University (NJCU). Through this Agreement, current students and graduates, have an opportunity to complete a Bachelor of Science degree "seamlessly" at two institutions of higher learning. This agreement is specifically designed for students who are graduates of MCC's Criminal Justice program as well as students completing MCC's A.S. or A.A. degree who are not participating in or eligible for the dual admissions program, a regular admit student. Under this agreement, students will enter into a sequential degree program wherein a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice degree at New Jersey City University is predicated upon conferral of an Associate in Science or Associate in Arts degree in Criminal Justice at Middlesex Community College (See Section III for admission requirements). Students who subsequently complete their A.S. or A.A. degree program and fulfill all criteria of this Articulation Agreement will enter NJCU as fully matriculated students with junior-year standing.

## **II. Benefits / Advantages of the Articulation Agreement.**

- Creation of a four-year plan for completing the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice (B.S.) degree;
- Ability to earn both associate's and bachelor's degrees while maximizing transferability of credits;
- A guarantee that students who meet the stated criteria will have a reserved place in the Criminal Justice program at NJCU, and
- Access to NJCU financial aid counselors to facilitate early financial planning and estimates of financial aid and scholarships.

## **III. Requirements for Admission to NJCU under the Articulation Agreement**

Admission to NJCU is contingent upon a student's:

- Successful completion of the MCC Criminal Justice program;
- Attainment of a grade point average of 2.0 or higher at MCC;
- Completion of an NJCU undergraduate admissions application;
- Submission of official transcripts from MCC, all previously attended colleges or college credit earning institutions and/or a WES evaluation; and
- Meeting the general admission criteria of NJCU.

## **IV. Articulation Agreement Process and Procedures**

- Upon completion of the MCC degree in Criminal Justice or anytime thereafter, graduates (present and past) can apply to NJCU and will receive a maximum of 60 credits, if accepted.
- Once accepted into NJCU's Criminal Justice program, students will schedule an advisement appointment with an NJCU faculty member. Students must successfully complete 120 college credits in order to receive the BS in Criminal Justice. Students can complete the remaining 60 credits required for the BS in Criminal Justice degree as part- or full-time students. A minimum of 39 credits in Criminal Justice must be taken in residency at NJCU.

- Representatives of NJCU will meet with MCC students and graduates at MCC at least annually, or as needed. The purpose of these meetings is to provide information about NJCU's Criminal Justice program, available services and answer student questions.

#### **V. Time Limit**

- MCC students will follow NJCU's undergraduate Criminal Justice curriculum requirements in place at NJCU at the time of initial enrollment in a Criminal Justice course at NJCU.

#### **VI. Transferability of Credits**

- Students entering NJCU with an A.S. or A.A. degree under this articulation agreement will receive credit for all NJCU general studies requirements. NJCU will accept a maximum of 60 credits when the student enters the University with an A.S. or A.A. degree (Criminal Justice Curriculum 60 Credits).
- Students entering the Criminal Justice program through this articulation agreement may not transfer into another NJCU major without a re-evaluation of his or her original transcript(s). This evaluation will be completed based on existing policy applied to all non-criminal justice, A.S. or A.A. transfer students.
- A maximum of 60 credits may be applied to NJCU degree requirements, assuming a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

#### **VII. Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Curriculum Requirements**

- Attachment A, entitled, "Associate in Criminal Justice to Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice."
- Attachment B, entitled: Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Program - Course Requirements

#### **VIII. Institutional Responsibilities**

- MCC and NJCU will work collaboratively to support and effectively administer this articulation agreement in the best interest of the students.
- MCC and NJCU will regularly communicate regarding changes in program requirements and any other relevant issues and/ or concerns.
- MCC and NJCU agree to promote the articulation agreement in appropriate college publications and at recruitment and outreach activities.
- MCC agrees to distribute information provided by NJCU to its students and alumni regarding the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice.

#### **IX. Agreement Review**

- NJCU and MCC will notify one another of curricular changes upon institutional approval. The Articulation Agreement shall be reviewed and modified, as needed, every three years by officials at NJCU and MCC.
- This agreement represents the entire agreement between NJCU and MCC through their authorized agents and will be deemed fully executed on the date of the last signature. All negotiations, oral agreements, and understandings are merged herein and any change(s) in the terms must be made in writing and signed by all parties.

**X. Anticipated Date of Implementation**

- The terms of this Agreement become effective May 1, 2020

**XI. Approvals**

For **Middlesex Community College**



Dr. Linda Scherr  
Vice-President, Academic Affairs  
Middlesex County College

Date: November 23, 2020



Dr. Mark McCormick  
President  
Middlesex County College

Date: November 23, 2020

For **New Jersey City University**



**Dr. Tamara Jhashi, Provost**  
Senior Vice President and Provost  
New Jersey City University

Date: 12/11/2020



Dr. Sue Henderson  
President  
New Jersey City University

Date: 12/14/2020

**APPENDIX A**

**NEW JERSEY CITY UNIVERSITY  
MIDDLESEX COUNTY COLLEGE**

<b>Associate in Criminal Justice to Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice</b>		
<b><u>NJCU Requirement</u></b>	<b><u>MCC Equivalent</u></b>	<b><u>Credits</u></b>
<i>General Education program</i>	<i>Completion of A.S. or A.A.</i>	<i>waived</i>
<b>REQUIRED</b>		
CJ 111 Introduction to Criminal Justice	CJU 123 Criminal Justice I	3
CJ 112 Crime and Delinquency	SOC 140 Intro to Criminology	3
CJ 215 Police Organization and Administration	POL 201 Police Admin.	3
CJ 217 Correctional System and Administration	COR 201 Intro to Corr. Admin.	3
<b>ELECTIVE</b>		
CJ 275 Police & the Community	POL 204 Law Enforcement & the Community	3
Total transferred credits:	60 (includes all above)	
Credits remaining to degree from NJCU:	60 (outlined below)	
<b><u>Courses to be taken at NJCU to complete the B.S.:</u></b>		<b><u>Credits</u></b>
<b>REQUIRED</b>		(24)
CJ 111 Introduction to Criminal Justice		3
CJ 112 Crime and Delinquency		3
CJ 215 Police Organization and Administration		3
CJ 216 Court System and Administration		3
CJ 217 Correctional System and Administration		3
CJ 305 Criminal Law		3
CJ 372 Criminal Justice Research		3
CJ 463 Management of Public Safety Agencies		3
<b>ELECTIVES</b>		(15)
CJ 115 Juvenile Justice		3
CJ 120 Careers in Criminal Justice		3
CJ 130 Writing for Criminal Justice		3
CJ 201 Law, Order and Justice in Society		3
CJ 205 Community Corrections		3
CJ 210 Crime Prevention		3
CJ 250 Crisis Intervention		3

CJ 260 Criminal Investigation	3
CJ 275 Police and Community	3
CJ 300 Victimless Crimes/Organized Crime	3
CJ 301 Terrorism	3
CJ 302 White Collar Crime	3
CJ 303 Women and Criminal Justice	3
CJ 306 Crime and the Movies	3
CJ 308 Multi-Cultural Law Enforcement	3
CJ 310 Hate Crimes Seminar	3
CJ 311 Violence and Victim-Offender Dynamics	3
CJ 315 Seminar in Criminal Justice Problems	3
CJ 325 Criminal Procedure	3
CJ 340 Criminal Evidence	3
CJ 360 Victims of Crime	3
CJ 370 Minorities and Criminal Justice	3
CJ 420 International Criminal Justice	3
CJ 444 Criminal Justice Ethics	3
CJ 464 Management Information Systems	3
Total credits needed in major (Students majoring in Criminal Justice will be required to complete 39 semester hours in Criminal Justice courses in residence at NJCU):	39
Total additional free-elective credits needed for NJCU degree completion:	21

**ATTACHMENT B**  
**Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Program - Course Requirements**

(Sample Design for Students Entering NJCU as a Junior in the Fall Semester, having completed 60 Credits and Required Core Course Equivalencies at MCC.)

<b>Semester and Course</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>Junior - Fall Semester</b>	
CJ 216 Court System and Administration	3
CJ Elective Course	3
CJ Elective Course	3
CJ Elective Course	3
Elective Course/ Minor Course	3
	15
<b>Junior - Spring Semester</b>	
CJ 305 Criminal Law	3
CJ Elective Course	3
CJ Elective Course	3
Elective Course/Minor Course	3
Elective Course/Minor Course	3
	15
<b>Senior – Fall Semester</b>	
CJ 372 Criminal Justice Research	3
CJ Elective Course	3
CJ Elective Course	3
Elective Course/Minor Course	3
Elective Course/Minor Course	3
	15
<b>Senior – Spring Semester</b>	
CJ 463 Management of Public Safety Agencies	
CJ Elective Course	3
CJ Elective Course	3
Elective Course/Minor Course	3
Elective Course/Minor Course	3
	15
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>120</b>