

TRANSFER AGREEMENT FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREE

Kennebec Valley Community College & University of Maine Farmington

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate student academic transfer and provide a smooth transition from Kennebec Valley Community College (KVCC) to the University of Maine Farmington (UMF). It is recognized that this agreement shall describe the required program of study at KVCC for admission eligibility to University of Maine Farmington and the degree program indicated.

Terms & Conditions of Academic Credit Transfer

To: Bachelor of Science Early Childhood Education, UMF, Birth to Kindergarten Certification
From: Associate in Applied Science Early Childhood Education, KVCC

The evaluation and transfer of earned college credits shall be in compliance with state and federal education policies and institutional and academic program accreditation standards pertaining to undergraduate academic transfer. Current students and graduates who have earned degrees from Kennebec Valley Community College shall be eligible for credit evaluation under the terms of this agreement.

Transfer students will be accorded the same standards and criteria for admission to a major degree sequence as UMF students. All applicants accepted to University of Maine Farmington's Baccalaureate programs must fulfill the graduation requirements of the granting institution as identified in Appendices A, B & C.

Articulation Implementation and Agreement Review

The Chief Academic Officer designee of the collaborating institutions shall be responsible for implementing this agreement, for identifying and incorporating any changes into subsequent agreements, and for conducting a periodic review of this agreement.

Signatures to this Agreement

This agreement becomes effective September 1, 2023 and will be reviewed Spring 2026 for renewal discussion.


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APPENDIX A

Admission & Graduation Requirements of the Receiving Institution

This agreement includes specific requirements for admission into a program, outlines requirements, and indicates which degree or diploma can be used to meet program prerequisites as well as general education, major or program, and graduation requirements.

Admissions Requirements

Successful completion of the KVCC Associate in Applied Science Early Childhood Education, submission of a completed admission application, transcripts, and other supporting materials. For coursework to transfer to UMF, a student must earn a grade of C- or better.

For a list of application instructions and checklist: <https://www.umf.maine.edu/admissions-aid/>

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science Early Childhood Education, UMF, Birth to Kindergarten Certification

(See Appendix C)

The information contained in Appendices A, B & C is accurate for:

KVCC catalog year 2023-2024: [KVCC Catalog](#)

UMF catalog year 2023-2024: [UMF Catalog](#)

Residency Requirement

All students in baccalaureate degree programs must earn the following from the University of Maine at Farmington:

- 1) a minimum of 18 of the credits required by their major program(s) at the 200 level or above*
- 2) a minimum of 30 of the total required credits

*An academic program may require that more than 18 credits of advanced coursework and/or specific coursework, such as a capstone course, be completed at UMF.

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Program Requirements for the BS in Early Childhood Education for Birth to Kindergarten Certification at UMF in addition to requirements satisfied by completion of KVCC's AAS in Early Childhood Education:

ECH 200 DEI Practices and Principles in Early Childhood Settings	3 credits
ECH 256 Creative Arts for the Young Child	3 credits
ECH 232 Social Science for the Young Child	3 credits
ECH 336 Development of Mathematical Concepts and Thinking in Young Children	3 credits
ECH 384 Developing Science Concepts and Thinking in Young Children	3 credits
ECH 440 Children, Families, and Communities	3 credits
ECH 450 Senior Seminar: Research in Early Childhood Education	3 credits
ECH 490 Student Teaching and Seminar in Early Childhood Education B-K	15 credits

Advanced Level Courses - Select two

ECH 303 ACES and Trauma Informed Early Childhood Practice	3 credits
ECH 367 Leadership, Administration and Advocacy in Early Childhood Education	3 credits
ECH 402 Diverse Programming in Early Childhood Environments	3 credits
ECH 403 Technology in Early Childhood Education	3 credits
ECH 404 Guidance and Social Emotional Learning in Early Childhood Education	3 credits
ECH 405 Observation and Assessment in Early Childhood Education	3 credits
ECH 419 Introduction to Nature-Based Education	3 credits
ECH 420 Planning Indoor & Nature-Based Environments for Young Children	3 credits
ECH 433 Advanced Theories of Learning and Child Development	3 credits
ECH 477 Special Topics in Early Childhood Education	1 to 3 credits variable

Other Requirements:

PSY 225S Child and Adolescent Psychology	3 credits
MAT 103M Numbers, Operations, and Algebraic Thinking for Elementary Teachers	3 credits

For PreK to Grade 3 Certification, additional courses are required. See the UMF catalog for PreK to Grade 3 Certification requirements.

General Education Requirements:

General education courses must total 40 credits. In addition to requirements satisfied by completion of KVCC's AAS in Early Childhood Education, UMF students must take additional courses, including:

- One additional natural science course, with a lab, in a different discipline than their first science course.
- One additional social science course other than psychology or sociology.
- One arts course in art, art history, music, music history, or theater;
- An advanced writing course (Note: This requirement can be fulfilled at KVCC by taking ENG 218 or ENG 219);
- One additional mathematics course for students pursuing preK-Grade 3 Certification. This applies only to students who wish to earn B-K and Prek-3 certification. Please consult with an advisor.

Professional Education Requirements:

To enroll in professional education courses at the 300 level or above students must earn Candidacy in Education, which includes achieving some specific course grades (see note on page 3), completing all required practica with satisfactory professional dispositions, and having a 2.75 GPA overall in UMF courses.

Prior to Student Teaching and for teacher certification, students in the Early Childhood Education Program Birth to Kindergarten must:

- a. complete all required UMF professional education courses with grades of B- or higher,
- b. achieve a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher, and
- c. be fingerprinted and have a Criminal History Record Check.

UMF Graduation Credit Requirement:

Total credits needed for graduation from UMF – 120 credits with a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher.

APPENDIX B

Side by Side Course Equivalency Tables

If courses in Appendix B are not taken at KVCC, the sequence represented in Appendix C might not be observed. Only courses in which a student has earned a grade of C- or higher are considered for transfer.

Transfer from AAS in Early Childhood Education at Kennebec Valley Community College to BS in Early Childhood Education, Birth to Kindergarten at University of Maine Farmington

A.A.S. in Early Childhood Education at KVCC Required Courses	Credits	B.S. in Early Childhood Education at UMF	Credits transferred
Semester I		Transfer classes to UMF	
ECE 131 Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3	ECH 150 Introduction in Early Childhood Education	3
ECE 152 Children's Literature	3	ECH 203 Children's Literature	3
PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology	3	PSY 101 General Psychology (Soc. Science Gen. Ed.)	3
COM 104 or 105 Introduction to Communication/ Interpersonal Communication	3	GEL 1XX General Elective	3
ENG 101 College Composition	3	ENG 100 Writing Seminar	3
ECE 136 Intro to Field Placement	1	ECH 1XX Education Elective	1
Semester II			
ECE 156 Field Experience I The Use of Observation in the Field	4	ECH 196 Intro Practicum and Seminar and ECH 1XX ECH Elective	3 1
ECE 132 Early Language and Literacy Development	3	ECH 204 Early Language and Literacy Development	3
ECE 140 Fostering Growth and Development: Infants and Toddlers	3	ECH 250 Infants and Toddlers: Development and Care	3
SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology	3	SOC 101S Introduction to Sociology (Soc. Science Gen. Ed.)	3
MAT 112 Foundations of Math for Teachers (or MAT 111, MAT 117)	3	MAT 100M Introduction to Mathematics (Math Gen. Ed.)	3
Semester III			
ECE 200 Field Experience II-Partnerships in Early Childhood	4	ECH 2XX Early Childhood Elective	4
ECE 158 Including Children with Special Needs in Early Childhood Settings	3	ECS 103 Introduction to Teaching Inclusive Early Childhood Education	3
ECE 138 Early Learning Environments	3	ECH 1XX Early Childhood Elective	3
PSY 215 Developmental Psychology	3	PSY 225S Child and Adolescent Development	3
PHI 110 Intro to Contemporary Ethics	3	PHI 1XX Humanities Elective	3
Semester IV			
ECE 250 Practicum III: A Focus on Families and Professional Development	6	ECH 296 Practicum and Seminar in PreK-Gr. 3 ECH 2XX elective	3 3
ECE 210 Classroom Management	3	ECH 2XX Early Childhood Elective	3
EDU 202 Diversity and Cultural Responsiveness in Education	3	ECH 200 DEI Practices and Principles in Early Childhood Settings	3
BIO 110 Scientific Inquiry (SC)	4	BIO 110 Intro to Biology	4
Total Credit Hour Requirements	64		64

Note: A course grade of C- or higher is needed for a course to transfer to UMF. A grade of C or higher is needed for ENG 100, and after transfer, a grade of B- or higher is needed in all Early Childhood Education professional education courses to satisfy UMF's Early Childhood Education program requirements.

APPENDIX C

Remaining UMF Degree Requirements: Birth-Kindergarten

Year Three Fall		Year Three Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
Social Science Gen. Ed. (Not Psychology or Sociology)	3	Arts & Science Elective	3
Natural Science Gen. Ed (Not BIO)	4	ECH 384 Science Concept and Thinking	3
ECH 232 Social Studies Methods	3	ECH 256 Creative Arts for the Young Child	3
ENG 205 Advanced Writing	3	ECH 440 Children, Families, and Communities	3
Arts Gen. Ed.	3	ECH Upper Level Elective	3
Semester Credits	16	Semester Credits	15

Year Four Fall		Year Four Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
ECH 450 Teacher Research	3	ECH 490 Student Teaching and Seminar B-K	15
ECH 336 Math Concepts and Thinking	3		
ECH Upper-Level Elective	3		
General Elective	3		
Semester Credits	12	Semester Credits	15
Total credits: 58			
Total KVCC and UMF credits: 122			

*Students must earn a minimum of 120 credits to be awarded the UMF degree.