



Addendum A: Dual Degree Program for Medical Laboratory Technology

Transfer Pathways Memorandum of Understanding Between Mercer County Community College and Stockton University

I. Introduction

- a. In January 2019, STOCKTON UNIVERSITY (STOCKTON) and MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE (MCCC) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to offer multiple opportunities for students to seamlessly pursue Associate's and Bachelor's degrees at two outstanding institutions of higher education
- b. This Addendum extends this agreement to Dual Degree Programs, an effort which specifically addresses Section III.B of the existing MOU, included below:
 - i. *To build on this system, STOCKTON and MCCC agree to develop specific program-to-program articulation agreements for high-demand majors to facilitate the quality and ease of transfer of students into comparable academic majors. Such agreements will be appended to this MOU and reviewed regularly by both schools to ensure they remain up to date in terms of course descriptions and degree requirements.*
- c. All aspects of the current Transfer Pathways agreement outlined in sections I through XIV remain in effect.

II. Accelerated Dual Degree Program for Medical Laboratory Technology Majors

- a. MCCC's Medical Laboratory Technology (MLT) program is accredited by NAACLS (5600 N. River Rd. Suite 72- Rosemont IL 60018-5119; ph: 773.714.8886; info@naacils@org) and consists of a Pre-Professional and Professional Phase. Students who successfully complete the Professional Phase program are eligible to sit for national certification exams, apply for licensure in certain states and gain employment within this very specific healthcare field. STOCKTON's Bachelor of Science in Health Science (BSHS) Degree Program combined with MCCC's MLT Degree Program will provide a 3+1 program that will allow students to complete their undergraduate degree, earn a Bachelor of Science from STOCKTON and an Associate's Degree from MCCC.
 - i. STOCKTON students entering this program would be expected to complete the first three years of the STOCKTON BSHS Degree Program.

- ii. At the completion of three years, applicable courses transferred to MCCC would enable students to complete the MLT Professional Phase program in their fourth and final year.
 - 1. Curricula at both institutions are subject to change and students should consult with academic advisors before and during their process through the Dual Degree program.
- iii. Students can complete their undergraduate degrees by the end of their fourth year, earning their BSHS and Associate's degree at the completion of their MLT Professional Phase coursework.
- iv. Admissions to the Dual Degree program requires a 2.5 GPA or higher and completion of PreProfessional courses with a C or higher (C+ or higher preferred) at the time of matriculation to MCCC.
 - 1. After matriculation, students would be required to maintain a 2.5 GPA or higher, earn a C+ in all MLT Professional Phase courses with the lab component having been passed with a C or higher to remain in the program. This is consistent with the GPA requirement currently in place for MCCC MLT Professional Phase students.
- v. In addition to requirements of the major and concentration, students must complete certain designated University At-Some-Distance and General Studies course requirements, writing (W1 and/or W2) requirements, quantitative reasoning (Q1 and/or Q2) requirements, race and racism (R1 and/or R2) education requirements, as well as the arts (A), historical consciousness (H), international/multicultural (I) and values/ethics (V) requirements.
 - 1. See: <https://www.stockton.edu/> for complete descriptions of these requirements. Most of these requirements can be completed in all or in part with transfer courses.

III. Tuition and Fees

- a. Students will be billed separately by the two institutions for applicable enrollment.
 - i. MLT program students will remit all tuition and fee payments, including additional course and lab fees, directly to STOCKTON for all courses taught by STOCKTON at the prevailing tuition and fee rates. MLT Program students will remit all tuition and fee payments, including additional course and lab fees, directly to MCCC for all courses taught in the Professional Phase year by MCCC at the prevailing tuition and fee rates. MLT Program students from Atlantic, Cape May, and Mercer counties will pay in-county tuition rates at both institutions, and this will automatically be generated by each institution so that the students do not have to participate in the chargeback program. For all current Mercer County tuition and fees, students can visit https://mccc.edu/admissions_tuition.shtml#1.
- b. Both the Home and Host institution, at its option, may require students to secure their enrollment by paying in full or establishing a payment plan.

- c. Questions regarding Financial Aid should be directed to the Financial Aid Office at either institution.

IV. Reverse Transfer

Students who complete at least 36 credits at MERCER, and successfully complete a cumulative total of 64 credits earned between their county college and a four-year institution, may be awarded an associate degree retroactively in accordance with the "Comprehensive State-Wide Transfer Agreement," a process known as reverse transfer.

- a. To actively encourage students to apply for reverse transfer, STOCKTON agrees to:
- Provide information to incoming transfer students about the reverse transfer process
 - Notify students of their potential eligibility when they achieve 60 credits. In addition, MCCC agrees to waive any degree audit or graduation fees as an incentive for application
- b. STOCKTON and MCCC further agree to co-host reverse transfer information sessions for transfer students.

V. Program Curriculum

- a. The following table outlines the core courses of the Dual Degree program, the MCCC course equivalents to STOCKTON courses within this program, and the recommended year of completion:

BShS		Medical Lab Tech	
Academic Year 2021-22 <i>All program credits must be completed with a C or higher.</i>		(Program Credits 80)	
First-Year--Fall Semester	Credits	First-Year--Spring Semester	Credits
BIOL 1200/1205: Cells & Molecules	(4+1)	CHEM 2110/2115: Chem 1	(4+1)
GXX XXXX: First-Year Seminar	(4)	PSYC 1100: Intro to Psychology	(4)
HLTH 1101: Intro to Health Science	(4)	GEN 2240: Intro to Research (W1)	(4)
MATH 1100: Pre-Calculus	(4)	HLTH 1241: Medical Terminology	(4)
TOTAL	17	TOTAL	17
Sophomore Year--Fall Semester	Credits	Sophomore Year--Spring Semester	Credits
BIOL 1260: A&P I	(4)	BIOL 2260: A&P II	(4)
HLTH 2305: Stats	(4)	HLTH 2411: Informatics	(4)
CHEM 2120/2125: CHEM III	(4+1)	HLTH 2501: Teamwork	(4)
GXX XXXX	(4)	GXX XXXX	(4)
TOTAL	17	TOTAL	16
Junior Year--Fall Semester	Credits	Junior Year--Spring Semester	Credits
HLTH 3411: Writing and Editing (W1)	(4)	HLTH 4200: Research for HS	(4)
CHEM 2140/2145: Chem IV	(4)	GIS 3XXX	(4)

GXX XXXX		(4)	CHEM 3250: BioChem		(4)
BIOL 3020: Microbiology		(4)	GXX XXXX		(4)
TOTAL		16	TOTAL		16
Senior Year	Stockton Equivalent	Credits	Senior Year	Stockton Equivalent	Credits
MERCER (Summer/Fall/Spring)					
MLT 112	GNM Transfer	(3)	MLT 215	ASD	(10)
MLT 200	HLTH 2XXX (Cognate)	(4)	MLT 214	ASD	(6)
MLT 207	HLTH 2XXX (Cognate)	(4)		TOTAL MLT	31
MLT 212	HLTH 2XXX (Cognate)	(4)	TOTAL DEGREE CREDITS		130
GENERAL STUDIES REQUIREMENTS:					48 Total Credits
No more than 12 credits in any "G" category may be applied towards the BS degree.					32 Credits
GEN General Interdisciplinary		(4)	GNM General Natural Science and Math		(4)
GIS General Integration & Synthesis (Junior Year)		(4)	GNM General Natural Science and Math		(4)
GAH General Arts & Humanities		(4)	GSS General Social Science		(4)
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AT SOME DISTANCE REQUIREMENTS:					16 Total Credits
PSYC 1100		(4)	ASD At Some Distance		(4)
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GENERAL STUDIES OUTCOME REQUIREMENT: These courses are listed as attributes and should be completed within the 128 credits needed to graduate.					
(A) Arts			(V) Values/Ethics		(4)
(H) Historical Consciousness			(I) International/Multicultural		(4)
GENERAL STUDIES WRITING REQUIREMENT: 4 courses					
W1	W1/W2		W1 or W2	W1 or W2 at 3000 level	
GENERAL STUDIES QUANTITATIVE REASONING REQUIREMENT: 3 courses					
Q1	Q2		Q1 or Q2		

- b. In addition, the MCCC's MLT Program has established a 1+1 Collaborative agreement with Atlantic Cape Community College (ACCC). Students at ACCC may choose to enter their MLT Professional Phase program in their second year or enter this Dual Degree Program at STOCKTON.
- i. For students who enter the MLT Professional Phase in their second year, they would be able to do a 2+2 Transfer Pathway and complete their BSHS at STOCKTON.

- ii. For students who decide to pursue the Dual Degree program at STOCKTON, the curriculum above will be followed.
- iii. Students who began their Associate Degree pathway at MCCC may also pursue this Dual Degree program as per the Transfer Pathways MOU.
- iv. Additional courses completed at ACCC will be considered as cognate or At-Some-Distance degree requirements at STOCKTON.
- v. All students will need to complete the requisite STOCKTON General Studies degree requirements in place at the time of their matriculation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, participating institutions duly executed this instrument.

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