

2+2 Articulation Agreement for Cecil College and Towson University

Associate's Degree: A.A. in Communication Studies

Bachelor's Degree: B.S. in Communication Studies

Effective Term: Spring 2020

Section 1: Course Completion Plan

This section outlines the courses which students must take for general education and program requirements in order to complete both the associate's and bachelor's degrees within a total of 4 years and 120 credits. Students who do not take the courses at Cecil College as outlined here are not guaranteed completion of the bachelor's degree in 2 years. Rationales for any course selections specific to this agreement will be in section 2 of this document.

Table 1: General Education Courses Applied to TU Core Curriculum

Cecil College Requirement	Cecil College Course to Take	Credits	Towson University Equivalent Course
English Composition	EGL 101 College Composition (E)	3	ENGL 102 Writing for a Liberal Education
Mathematics	Math General Education Elective (M)	3	Equivalency will vary by course.
Arts & Humanities	Arts & Humanities General Education Elective (H)	3	Equivalency will vary by course.
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Social & Behavioral Sciences	Social Science General Education Elective (SS)	3	Equivalency will vary by course.
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Biological & Physical Sciences	Lab Science General Education Elective (SL)	4	Equivalency will vary by course.
Biological & Physical Sciences	Science General Education Elective (S)	3	Equivalency will vary by course.
Institutional Requirement	EGL 102 Composition and Literature (H)	3	ENGL TLL English Elective
History Elective	History Elective General Education (H)	3	Equivalency will vary by course.
Program Requirement	SPH 141 Public Speaking (H)	3	COMM 131 Public Speaking

Total general education courses applied to the TU Core Curriculum: 34 credits

Completing the courses above will satisfy the general education program at Cecil College. TU will transfer these courses without a course-by-course match to the Core Curriculum requirements. See section 2 for details.

Table 2: Program Requirements and Electives Applied to TU Degree

Program requirements that are applied to TU’s Core Curriculum are listed in Table 1 only.

Cecil College Requirement	Cecil College Course to Take	Credits	Towson University Equivalent Course
Program Requirement	COM 101 Introduction to Communication Studies (H)	3	COMM 201 Intro to Communication Studies
Program Requirement	SPH 121 Interpersonal Communication (H)	3	COMM 215 Interpersonal Communication
Program Electives	Communication Studies Electives	12	Equivalencies will vary by course.
General Electives	Any transferable courses.	8	Equivalencies will vary by course.

Total program requirements applied to the TU degree: 26 credits

Total transferred to TU: 60 credits

Students may transfer a maximum of 64 credits.

Section 2: Cecil College Course Selection Details

This section explains any specific course selections made in section 1. To qualify for this agreement, students must follow the course selections outlined in this document. Students who do not complete any or all of the courses outlined in this agreement will be required to complete outstanding requirements at TU.

GENERAL EDUCATION

The following information explains the transfer of students' general education courses:

- TU will recognize the courses in Table 1 (see section 1) as a completed general education program. Students will receive a core package that satisfies most of the TU Core Curriculum without the need for course-by-course placement in specific Core Curriculum requirements.
- When a course selection is not specified for a general education requirement, students may choose any course. Course selections for general education requirements are specified in this agreement only if they are specified in the Cecil College catalog or if they will satisfy a TU major requirement.
- In addition to the general education requirements specified by Cecil College, TU will recognize the program requirement SPH 141 Public Speaking toward the total of general education credits completed.
- Students will need to complete two Core Curriculum requirements at TU. Students will complete the Advanced Writing Seminar (Core 9) and Ethical Perspectives (Core 14) requirements. If students take an ethics course as one of the Arts & Humanities electives at Cecil College, they will need to complete a different requirement than Core 14 at TU.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The following courses required in the Cecil College program will satisfy major requirements at TU:

1. **SPH 141 Public Speaking** satisfied the major required course of COMM 131.
2. **COM 101 Introduction to Communication Studies** satisfies the major required course of COMM 201.
3. **SPH 121 Interpersonal Communication** satisfies an Identity & Culture elective in the major as TU's COMM 215.

GENERAL ELECTIVES

Any transferable course may be taken to meet personal and academic interests for the general electives. Students should consult with their academic advisor at Cecil College if they need assistance with selecting elective courses or identifying transferable courses.

Section 3: Degree Requirements to Be Completed at TU

This section outlines the degree requirement areas and specific courses students will complete at TU after transferring. Non-course specific degree requirements can be found in section 4.

CORE CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS: 6 UNITS

Core 9 Advanced Writing Seminar – Satisfied by the major requirement for COMM 300

Core 14 Ethical Issues and Perspectives

MAJOR REQUIRED COURSES: 12 UNITS

COMM 300 Research Methods (3 units counted in Core Curriculum)

COMM 311 Rhetorical Theory & Criticism (3 units)

COMM 419 Organizational Communication (3 units)

COMM 450 Capstone in Communication Studies (3 units)

COMM 477 Intercultural Communication (3 units)

PUBLIC DISCOURSE AND ADVOCACY ELECTIVES: 6 UNITS

Select two of the following courses for 6 units:

- COMM 331 Advocacy and Argument
- COMM 303 Advanced Public Speaking
- COMM 304 Persuasion
- COMM 360 Communication and Social Protest
- COMM 365 Visual Communication
- COMM 390 Communication and Politics
- COMM 420 Communication Law
- COMM 470 Topics in Public Disclosure and Advocacy

IDENTITY AND CULTURE ELECTIVES: 3 UNITS

Select one of the following courses for 3 units:

- COMM 333 Introduction to Performance Studies
- COMM 345 Sexual Communication
- COMM 368 Communication and Popular Culture
- COMM 382 African American Communication
- COMM 440 Communication and Gender
- COMM 471 Topics in Identity and Culture

LEADERSHIP AND ORGANIZATIONAL COMMUNICATION ELECTIVES: 6 UNITS

Select two of the following courses for 6 units:

- COMM 315 Business and Professional Communication

- COMM 380 Leadership Communication
- COMM 418 Communication Training and Development
- COMM 422 Conference Planning and Management
- COMM 472 Topics in Leadership and Organizational Communication

HORIZONS COURSE: 3 UNITS

Select one of the following courses for 3 units:

- COMM 349 Practicum I
- COMM 350 Practicum II
- COMM 490 Internship Communication Study
- COMM 494 Study Abroad
- COMM 495 Independent Study in Communication Studies
- IDFA 470 Special Topics in Arts, Media, and Communication
- IDFA 471 Special Topics in Social Action
- IDFA 493 Interdisciplinary Fine Arts Independent Study

GENERAL ELECTIVES: 27 UNITS

General electives must be taken in order to complete the minimum of 120 units for the bachelor's degree. General elective units can be satisfied by additional major electives or courses for personal interests. Students may also consider adding a minor, which usually requires 18-24 units.

Section 4: Additional Requirements and Degree Completion Information

BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL STUDENTS:

- A C (2.0) or higher is required in all major courses and prerequisites.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 is required.
- 32 units of the bachelor's degree must be completed at the upper level (courses numbered 300 or above).

Degree Completion Summary

Total Units Required for B.S. Degree	120 UNITS
Cecil College A.A. Degree in Communication Studies	60
Completion of Core Curriculum at TU	6
Communication Studies Major Coursework Taken at TU	27
General Electives Taken at TU	27