

Transfer Agreements at SMCC



Dear Student,

If you want to earn a bachelor's degree for less, you can save thousands of dollars by starting at SMCC before transferring to a four-year college or university. Our transfer agreements will put you on the right path.

These agreements allow you to pre-plan your college careers so you can avoid taking unneeded credits and spending money on courses that won't count toward a bachelor's degree.

We have transfer agreements with the University of Maine, the University of Southern Maine, the University of New England, Saint Joseph's College and elsewhere in Maine. If you're interested in out-of-state schools, we can simplify your transfer to places such as Johnson & Wales, Southern New Hampshire University, Smith, Wellesley, Mount Holyoke College and more.

If you want to continue your education after graduating from SMCC, our transfer agreements will help get you there.

Start smart at SMCC by avoiding debt and getting the skills and support you need to continue your education through one of our seamless transfer agreements. Then finish strong by getting a four-year degree and earning over \$1 million more over your lifetime. We are here to help you succeed.

Joe Cassidy



President of SMCC

For more information about this specific transfer agreement please view the additional pages in this document.

Please note: These agreements are frequently renewed and may at times be under renewal. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our **Advising Office** at **207-741-5835** or **transfer@smccME.edu**.

We are here to help your succeed.

Transfer Articulation Agreement for Baccalaureate Degree between Southern Maine Community College and the University of Maine Farmington

Statement of Purpose

Southern Maine Community College (SMCC) and the University of Maine Farmington (UMF) have entered into this transfer articulation agreement. The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate student academic transfer and provide a smooth transition from a two-year community college to the University of Maine Farmington. This agreement shall describe the required program of study at SMCC and the specific course equivalencies for the UMF Baccalaureate Degree Program indicated.

Terms and Conditions of Academic Credit Transfer

To: BS Early Childhood Education, UMF *Birth to Five Certification*
From: AAS Early Childhood Education, SMCC

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 AAS Early Childhood Education degrees from Southern Maine 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 applications accepted to UMF Baccalaureate programs must fulfill the graduation requirements of the granting institution as identified in the following pages.

Articulation Implementation and Agreement Review

The Chief Academic Officer designee of SMCC and UMF 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.

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This agreement includes specific requirements for admission into the Early Childhood Education program, outlines requirements, and indicates which courses can be used to meet program prerequisites as well as general education requirements, Early Childhood Education program requirements, and graduation requirements.

Admissions requirements:

Students apply to the University of Maine Farmington. The application is also reviewed by the Early Childhood Education faculty.

1. Requirements for admission to UMF include a completed application form, an application fee (currently waived), official transcripts from all colleges attended and a personal statement.
2. Requirements for admission to the Early Childhood Education Program - Birth to Five Certification Option
 - a. UMF admission requirements listed above
 - b. Recommendations in support of your interest in teaching
 - c. An essay that reflects your desire to teach at the appropriate age level and highlighting any relevant work experience
 - d. Passing PRAXIS Core with minimum scores of: Reading 156, Math 150, and Writing 162, or a composite (total of all three) score of 468 with individual test scores no more than three points lower than the above three scores.
 - e. Completion of UMF in-field disposition evaluation
3. Requirements for admission to Early Childhood Education Program Non-certification option or the Early Childhood Education Off-Campus Program
 - a. UMF admission requirements listed above
 - b. PRAXIS Core scores are not required for admission.

Program Requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education for Birth-5 Certification and Birth-5 Non-Certification tracks at UMF in addition to requirements satisfied by completion of SMCC's AAS in Early Childhood Education:

ECH 201 Language Development, Early Literacy and Children's Literature (SMCC's ECED 200 Children's Literature & Language will apply as part of ECH 201 when this course is combined with a designated ECH course taken at UMF)	6 credits
ECH 256 Creative Arts and Technology for the Young Child	4 credits
ECH 232 Social Science for the Young Child	4 credits
ECH 336 Development of Mathematical Concepts in Young Children	4 credits
ECH 384 Science Education for Young Children	4 credits
ECH 450 Senior Seminar: Research in Early Childhood Education	4 credits
ECH 490 Internship in Early Childhood Education	4 to 8 credits

Advanced Level Courses - Select two

ECH 367 Administration of Early Childhood Programs	4 credits
ECH 402 Diverse Programming in Early Childhood Environments	4 credits
ECH 420 Planning Environments for Young Children	4 credits
ECH 430 Theories of Learning and Curriculum Development	4 credits
ECH 440 Children, Families and Communities	4 credits
ECH 477 Special Topics in Early Childhood Education	1 to 4 credits variable

Additional Required Courses

Plus additional general education courses

For the K-3 track, additional courses are required. See the UMF catalog for K-3 Certification requirements.

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Transfer from A.A.S. in Early Childhood Education at Southern Maine Community College to University of Maine Farmington Off-campus Bachelor's Degree Program in Early Childhood Education

A.A.S. in Early Childhood Education at SMCC Required Courses	Credits	B.S. in Early Childhood Education at UMF	Credits transferred
Major Required Courses		Transfer Classes to UMF	
ECED 100 Introduction to Early Care and Education	3	Complex rule – ECED 100 plus ECED 220= ECH 150 Introduction and Observation in Early Childhood Education	3
ECED 220 Observation and Record Keeping	3		3
ECED 110 Child Development	3	PSY 225S Child & Adolescent Development	3
ECED 150 Infant and Toddler Caregiving	3	ECH 250 Infant and Toddler Caregiving	3
ECED 160 Interactive Environments	3	ECH 199 Early Childhood Elective	3
ECED 175 Practicum/Seminar I	3	ECH 192 Intro Practicum/Seminar ECE	3
ECED 200 Children's Literature & Lang	3	ECH 199 Early Childhood Elective Course equivalency will apply as part of ECH 201 when this course is combined with a designated ECH course taken at UMF	3
ECED 210 Early Childhood Spec Needs	3	ECS 103 Intro to Teach Inclusive ECS	3
ECED 225 Practicum/Seminar II	4	ECH 293 Intermediate Practicum/Seminar	4
ECED 250 The Developing Curriculum	3	ECH 299 Early Childhood Elective	3
ECED 260 Early Childhood Program Administration	3	ECH 367 Early Childhood Program Administration	3
ECED 270 School, Home & Community Relationships	3	ECH 299 Early Childhood Elective	3
ECED 275 Practicum/Seminar III	6	ECH 299 Early Childhood Elective	6
General Education Requirements			
FIGS 100 Freshman Interest Group	1		0
ENGL 100 English Composition	3	ECH 100 First Year Writing Seminar	3
ENGL 110 Oral Communications	3	GEL 199 General Elective	3
ENGL 115 Introduction to Literature	3	ENG 199H English Elective - Fulfills humanities requirement	3
MATH 110 Contemporary Mathematics	3	MAT 100M Intro to Mathematics – Fulfills math general education requirement	3
NUTR 110 Normal Nutrition & Lab	4	HEA 199 Health Elective	4
PSYC 100 Intro to Psychology	3	PSY 101S General Psychology	3
Social Science Elective	3	If pursuing Birth-Five, State 081 Certification one of the social sciences must be in one of the following areas: anthropology, economics, geography, history, or political science.	3
Total Credit Hour Requirements	66		65

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

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General Education Requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education at UMF:

General education courses must total 40 credits in the following areas. Some of these course requirements can be satisfied through the general education courses taken as part of SMCC's AAS in Early Childhood Education. See the course equivalency data base on Mainestreet at <https://mainestreet.maine.edu> to determine which SMCC courses will fulfill the UMF general education requirements:

- Two natural science courses, with a lab, in biology, chemistry, environmental science, geology or physics. Courses in two different science disciplines are required at UMF;
- Two social science courses. Courses in two different social science disciplines are required at UMF. For students pursuing the K-3 track, the courses must be in anthropology, economics, geography, history or political science. For students pursuing the B-5 certification track, **one** of the two required courses must be in the above group;
- One arts course in art, art history, dance, music, music history, or theater;
- One humanities course in English literature, philosophy, religion, French, Spanish or Chinese. Students pursuing the K-3 certification should take an English literature course to fulfill this requirement;
- One non-credit course in physical education;
- One math course;
- General electives as needed to reach 40 credits in General Education.

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) and a 2.75 GPA overall in UMF courses. Students in the Birth-5 Certification Option and K-3 Certification Option must pass all sections of PRAXIS Core.

Prior to Internship, students in the Early Childhood Education Program must:

- a. complete all required UMF professional 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.
- d. complete academic dispositions evaluation.

Prior to Internship or student teaching and for teacher certification, students in the Early Childhood Education Program- Birth to Five Certification Option and K-3 Certification Option must:

- a. pass the PRAXIS II 5024 exam – Education of Young Children - with a score of 160 or higher,
- b. complete all required UMF professional courses with grades of B- or higher,
- c. achieve a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher, and
- d. be fingerprinted and have a Criminal History Record Check.
- e. complete academic dispositions evaluation

UMF Graduation Credit Requirement:

Total credits needed for graduation from UMF – 128 credits with a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher.

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APPENDIX C Remaining UMF Degree Requirements

SMCC AA Early Childhood graduates to complete the BS in Early Childhood Education, Birth-Age 5
Based on student entering with 65 transfer credits

OFF-Campus program delivered at SMCC

Year One Fall		Year One Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
ECH 336 Development of Math Concepts	4	ECH 384 Science Education	4
ECH 256 Creative Arts	4	General Elective Course	3
Semester Credits	8	Semester Credits	7

Year One Summer	
Course	Credit
ECH 402 Diverse Programming (Upper Division ECH Elective – One Required)*	4
General Elective Course	4
Semester Credits	8

Year Two Fall		Year Two Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
ECH 232 Social Science for Young Children	4	General Elective	3
ECH 420 Planning Environments (Upper Division ECH Elective -- One Required)	4	General Elective	4
Semester Credits	8	Semester Credits	7

Year Two Summer	
Course	Credit
ECH 277 Language, Literacy, and Literature*	3
General Education Elective	3
Semester Credits	6

Year Three Fall		Year Three Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
ECH 450 Senior Seminar	4	ECH 490 Internship (if graduating)	8
General Elective	3	General Elective	4
Semester Credits	7	Semester Credits	12
Total credits: 63			

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Year Three Fall		Year Three Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
ECH 232—Social Science for Young Children	4	ECH 256—Creative Arts and Technology	4
Natural Science with lab	4	ECH 384—Science Education	4
Specialization Course	4	Specialization Course	4
PHE 10—Fitness Activity	0	Fine Arts Elective	4
Social Science Elective	4		
Semester Credits	16	Semester Credits	16

Year Four Fall		Year Four Spring	
Course	Credit	Course	Credit
ECH 402/420/430/440/ or 477	4	ECH 490—Internship (4-8)	8
ECH 336—Math Concepts for Young Children	4	Specialization Course	4
ECH 450—Senior Seminar	4	ECH 402/420/430/440/ or 477	4
Natural Science with lab	4		
Semester Credits	16	Semester Credits	16

Summer Session	
Course	Credit
ECH 277—Language, Literacy, and Children’s Literature	3
Semester Credits	3
Total Credits:	67