

TRANSFER AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY
AND
BROOKDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

This transfer agreement includes a Two Plus Two Pioneer Pathways Program Joint Admissions Agreement (“Agreement”) as well as several program to program transfer agreements including both in-person programs and online programs. This Agreement is entered into by, and between, William Paterson University located at 300 Pompton Road, Wayne, New Jersey 07470 (“William Paterson University” or “WP”), and Brookdale Community College located at 765 Newman Springs Road, Lincroft, New Jersey 07738 (hereinafter referred to as “Brookdale Community College” or “community college”), to articulate the procedure for a Two Plus Two Pioneer Pathways Program Joint Admissions Agreement between William Paterson University and Brookdale Community College.

1. PURPOSE

- Provide an opportunity for currently enrolled Brookdale Community College students to be conditionally admitted to William Paterson University.
- Provide a seamless transition from an associate degree to a chosen baccalaureate degree for students enrolled in Brookdale Community College who are interested in graduating with a bachelor’s degree from William Paterson University. Students graduating with Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, or Associate of Fine Arts degrees in good academic standing from Brookdale Community College are guaranteed admission to William Paterson University baccalaureate degree programs, subject to the additional requirements listed in item number 3, below.
- Provide specific, program-to-program course maps, which are contained in the appendices that begin on page 8.
- Strengthen the academic and support partnership between Brookdale Community College and William Paterson University.
- Facilitate transfer credit and major program enrollment from Brookdale Community College to William Paterson University.
- Outline all amenities available to Brookdale Community College students enrolled under the Two Plus Two Pioneer Pathways Program Joint Admissions Agreement.

2. SIGNING UP FOR WPU'S PIONEER PATHWAYS PROGRAM

In order to sign up for this Two Plus Two Pioneer Pathways Program Joint Admissions Agreement, Brookdale Community College students must submit a quick link interest form on the William Paterson University website:

https://wpunj.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3BMS6A00t05nflp

To be eligible for this program and to maximize the benefits a Brookdale Community College student receives, WP Pioneer Pathways electronic interest forms should be submitted in a student's first or second semester but no later than prior to a student's final semester at Brookdale Community College.

3. PIONEER PATHWAYS AMENITIES

- Waiver of all WPU application fees when students are ready to transfer.
- Enjoy privileges of being a WPU student while enrolled at Brookdale Community College including access to both institutions' libraries, and admittance to an array of WPU cultural events and athletic activities.
- Plan courses (based upon curriculum map) from the very first semester to allow for the maximum transfer credits possible and accelerate the completion of an undergraduate baccalaureate degree.
- Personalized advising to develop a plan to complete the degree in the shortest amount of time possible.
- For on campus majors only, encourage community college students to achieve a 3.0 or higher in 30 or more credits, which make them eligible for the Phi Theta Kappa and Presidential transfer scholarships:
<https://www.wpunj.edu/admissions/undergraduate/scholarships/scholarshipsinstitutional.html>
- Some academic programs, such as nursing and education, have separate GPA requirements and limited enrollment (list is subject to change):
 - a) Public Health and Health Studies applicants need to have completed (with a grade of C or higher) A&P 1, A&P II, Statistics, and a 3 credits Health course.
 - b) A community college student will not be admitted to a William Paterson University B.S. in business program if they have a grade of C- or below in more than two business courses.
 - c) Nursing majors must graduate from the community college with a 2.5 GPA and pass the NCLEX licensure exam prior to beginning WPU nursing courses, with the exception of NUR 3500 and NUR 3271.

- d) In order to begin the professional sequence of education coursework, education majors must have a minimum of sixty (60) earned credits, a 3.0 minimum cumulative GPA, and a qualifying score on the PRAXIS.

4. WP ONLINE

- All courses in the major are offered online for the WP Online majors.
- Prior Learning Assessment: William Paterson University recognizes that not all learning has resulted from the traditional classroom. Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) provides students with the opportunity to earn credit for learning outside of the confines of a traditional classroom, but also allows the learner to illustrate what they know through the construction of a professional, guided portfolio assembly.
- Courses in the major are scheduled in accelerated 7-week timeframes to permit students to take 2 courses at a time during a semester.
- Tuition is the same for in state and out of state residents.
- Since students are charged a discounted tuition rate, no scholarships are available for academic programs and majors that are part of the WP Online program.
- Academic programs and majors that are a part of the WP Online program are denoted on the table in item 10 with an asterisk.

5. TERM AND TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement shall commence immediately upon the date of the last signature of the Parties and be in full force and effect for three (3) years. Either Party has the right to terminate this Agreement on thirty (30) days prior written notice. In the event of a breach of any provision of this Agreement by one Party, the other Party shall have the right and option to give the breaching Party written notice. In the event that the breaching Party fails to remedy the breach within fifteen (15) days of the receipt of such written notice, the other Party may, at its sole option, terminate this Agreement. In the event of an early termination of this Agreement by either Party, students already enrolled in the Program will have the ability to complete the Program.

In order to be eligible for the Pioneer Pathways Program, students must have a 2.0 cumulative GPA.

- Associate degree students who have completed the course pre-requisites and meet the minimum GPA requirements listed above will be automatically admitted to upper division WP courses. WPU GPA computation begins from the time of initial term admission to WP.
- Community College students must be in compliance with the community college code of conduct and in good academic standing to enroll in the Pioneer Pathways Program.

6. TRANSFER OF CREDITS

- Academic programs covered by this agreement are listed in item 10 and the program to program course maps are included in the appendices that begin on page 8.
- Students who earn an associate degree at Brookdale Community College are guaranteed junior status admission to William Paterson University conditional upon meeting the prerequisites of the minimum requirements for admission to a particular major curriculum or area of study.
- William Paterson University agrees to accept all the general education credits included in this Agreement and will verify that students entering under this agreement with a completed Associate in Arts (A.A.) or Associate in Science (A.S) degree have met all UCC requirements for William Paterson University.
- Per its transfer credit policy, William Paterson University agrees to accept up to half of the credits required for the major.
- Student must complete the last 30 credits of their undergraduate degree at William Paterson University.
- To fulfill a William Paterson University graduation requirement, all students in this program must complete two semesters of one foreign language (two semesters of American Sign Language is acceptable) at either the community college within their associate degree or as part of their credits taken at William Paterson University.
- Tuition and fees for William Paterson University courses shall be established and collected by William Paterson University.

7. INFORMATION SHARING AND EXCHANGE OF RECORDS

William Paterson University and Brookdale Community College agree to share information about participating students to the extent permissible under the appropriate statutes, regulations and institutional policies regarding confidentiality of student records.

8. MARKETING

Brookdale Community College and William Paterson University will assure that promotional material regarding the Program will be available to all students on their institutional websites and/or additional print publications.

9. ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- This Agreement shall be subject to all present and future valid laws, orders, rules and regulations of the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, and any other regulatory body thereof having jurisdiction.
- Each institution asserts that it has adopted and will communicate to faculty and students appropriate policies and procedures regarding non-discrimination and harassment and asserts its responsibility to provide a learning and working environment free from unlawful discrimination. All forms of unlawful discrimination based upon race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, age, gender (including sexual harassment), marital status, familial status, affectional or sexual orientation, atypical hereditary cellular or blood trait, genetic information, liability for service in the US Armed Forces, or disability are prohibited.
- WP shall be responsible for, and shall, at its own expense, defend itself against any and all suits, claims, losses, demands or damages of whatsoever kind or nature, arising out of or in connection with any act or omission of the WP, its employees, agents or contractors, in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
- Brookdale Community College shall be responsible for, and shall, at its own expense, defend itself against any and all suits, claims, losses, demands or damages of whatsoever kind or nature, arising out of or in connection with any act or omission of Brookdale Community College, its employees, agents or contractors, in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
- Nothing contained in this Agreement shall operate to make any employee of Brookdale Community College an employee of WP nor make any employee of WP an employee of Brookdale Community College. The parties to this Agreement are acting as independent contractors.
- The Parties to this Agreement have had full opportunity to participate and have participated in the drafting and revising of the language of this Agreement, and nothing in this Agreement shall be construed against the party drafting this Agreement because of having drafted this Agreement or any specific provision hereof.
- Any amendments or additions to this Agreement must be in writing and consistent with the policies and procedures of both institutions.
- Any and all notices or other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if: (i) delivered by hand; (ii) sent by overnight courier; (iii) sent by fax or email, subject to confirmation of receipt; or (iv) sent postage prepaid by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested.
- This Agreement shall be binding on the parties and their respective successors and assigns. Neither party shall assign its duties and obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party.

- This Agreement sets forth the entire understanding between the parties and no amendments or modifications shall be made to the Agreement, except in writing signed by both parties.
- **Counterparts and Signatures.** This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute a single, enforceable instrument. Facsimile, PDF or scanned copies sent by email of this Agreement and any signatures thereon shall be considered for all purposes as original signatures.

10. PROGRAMS COVERED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT:

Brookdale Community College	William Paterson University Equivalent
AS Business Administration	BS- Marketing*/Management*/Finance/Accounting
AS Math/Science- Biology Option	BS- Biology, General
AS Math/Science- Chemistry Option	BS Chemistry
AS Computer Science	BS Computer Science/ BS- Computer Info Tech.
AS Criminal Justice	BA Criminology & Criminal Justice*
AS Environmental Science	BS Environmental Science
AS Math/Science- Mathematics Option	BS Mathematics
AA Humanities- Media Studies Option	BA Communications, Media Studies/ BA Communications, Communication Studies*
AA Humanities- Music Option	BA Music Studies
AS Math/Science- Physics Option	BS Mathematics
AA Social Sciences- Political Science Option	BA Political Science
AS Human Services- Pre-Social Work Option	BA Sociology, General/BA Psychology*
AA Social Sciences-Psychology Option	BA Psychology*
AS Public Health	BS Public Health/ BS Health Studies*
AS Math/Science- Science Option	BS Biology, BS Chemistry, BS Mathematics
AA Social Sciences	BA Liberal Studies*
AA Humanities- Theater Option	BA Communication, Theater and Comedy
AA Humanities- Liberal Arts Option	BA Leadership and Professional Studies**

*Program is offered both online and in-person

**Program is offered ONLY online