

**MOUNT WACHUSETT COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
and  
FITCHBURG STATE  
UNIVERSITY**

Mount Wachusett Community College and Fitchburg State University agree to enter into an articulation agreement in the following academic discipline:


*Early Childhood Education  
and  
Education/Interdisciplinary Studies  
Early Childhood Education Initial Licensure*

These agreements are set forth by Mount Wachusett Community College and Fitchburg State University in an effort to delineate a transfer student's best options in course selection. This document outlines advising recommendations, curriculum options and course equivalencies where they exist. They signify the ongoing commitment between these two institutions of higher education to promote coordinated curricula of the highest quality. As such, it bears with it the commitment of our respective faculty, and administrative staff to strengthen these ties and address the needs of our students in a mutually beneficial manner.

Acknowledging that students may, and do transfer from a wide variety of majors, these agreements do not prohibit transfer to or from other programs of study at either institution. These agreements suggest optimal transfer routes from Mount Wachusett Community College to Fitchburg State University.

These articulation agreements do not supersede or in any way alter the statewide MassTransfer agreement or the Early Childhood Education Compact currently in existence. Similarly, students taking advantage of the MassTransfer or Early Childhood Education Compact are encouraged to utilize these articulation agreements in preparation for their transfer to Fitchburg State University.

Renewed on this day, April 1, 2015



Dr. Daniel M. Asquino  
President  
Mount Wachusett Community College



Dr. Robert V. Antonucci  
President  
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# *TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT*

Between

**Mount Wachusett Community College**  
*and*  
**Fitchburg State University**

in

**Early Childhood Education – Transfer**

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**Education/Interdisciplinary Studies**  
**Early Childhood Education Initial**  
**Licensure**

This agreement is renewed as of April 1, 2015 and will remain in effect until April 1, 2018, with the provision that the terms specified herein will continue to apply to graduates who transfer from Mount Wachusett Community College to Fitchburg State University, within one year of the expiration of this agreement. The faculty at both institutions agrees to meet annually to review the agreement and discuss modifications.

For: **Mount Wachusett Community College**

For: **Fitchburg State University**



Dr. Rosanne Morel  
Chairperson, Early Childhood Education



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Students graduating from the Mount Wachusett Community College Early Childhood Education Transfer Associate degree program with a qualitative grade point average of 2.75 or greater may transfer to the Fitchburg State University (FSU) Education/Interdisciplinary Studies, Early Childhood Education Initial Licensure major with a maximum of 62 transfer credits. Students must earn a minimum number of 60 credits from Fitchburg State University toward the bachelor's degree. At least 50% of the two majors combined must be earned at Fitchburg State University.

See attached degree plan table for specific transferability of courses and program requirements.





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**Appendix: Degree Plan Table  
Mount Wachusett Community College  
A.S. in Early Childhood Education (ECT)  
(Early Childhood Concentration)**

Mount Wachusett Community College			Fitchburg State University		
Associate of Science in Early Childhood Education (ECT)			Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood		
Credits			Credits		
3	ECE 101	Intro to Early Childhood Educ.	3	EDUC 2300	Foundations of Inclusive Education
3	ENG 101	English Comp I	3	ENGL1100	Writing I
3	PSY 105	Intro to Psychology	3	PSY 1100	General Psychology (free elective)
4	BIO 109, EAS 115 or EAS 125	Biology I, Biogeology: History of Life or Physical Geology of the Earth	4		Replaces BIOL 1000/1100 Life science I or II or BIOL 1050 Life Science for Educators
3	ENG 102	English Comp II	3	ENGL1200	Writing II
3	PSY 108	Child Development	3		Replaces PSY 1200 Human Growth & Development
3	ECE 103	Home, School & Comm. Relations	3	EDUC 1990	Transfer Elective (free elective)
3	MAT 140	Elements of Mathematics I or higher	3	MATH 1500	Informal Number Theory
3	PSY 244	Children with Special Needs	3	SPED 2210	Understanding Diversity and Disabilities
3	ECE 102	Early Childhood Curriculum and Program Planning	3	EDUC 2600	Developmentally Appropriate Practices and Programs for Young Children
3	SPC 113	Speech	3	SPCH 1000	Intro to Speech Communication (Humanities elective)
3-4	MAT 141 or higher	Elements of Math II or higher Statistics (recommended)	3-4		Replaces MATH 2000 Geometry
3	HUM 260	The Art of Being Human I	3	MUSC 2000	Commonwealth of the Arts
4	PHY 101 or PHY 105	Intro to Physical Science or College Physics I	4		Replaces a BIOL, CHEM, GEOG, or PHYS elective with a SMT attribute
3	ENG 235	Children's Literature	3	ENGL 2900	Children's Literature
3	HIS 201	History of the U.S. I	3	HIST 1400	United States History I
3	PER 130	Health, Fitness, & Wellness Elect	3	EXSS 1000	Health and Fitness (free elective if MassTransfer)
8	ECE 114 & 124	Early Childhood Practicum I & II	8	EDUC 4862 + EDUC 1990	Practicum in Early Childhood I plus 2 credits EDUC Transfer Elective
61-62	Total Credits		61-62	Total credits transferred	

Courses Left to Complete at Fitchburg State University		
Bachelor of Arts in		
Early Childhood PreK-2 & Interdisciplinary Studies (IDIS) Major with a Minor in History		
Fall of Junior Year – Successful Passage of the Communication and Literacy MTEL & Documentation of 2 Positive Candidate Dispositions Assessments and Pre-Practicum and Practicum Work		
Credits	Course Number	
3	EDUC 2630	Literacy in the Pre-K to Grade 8 Classroom
3	EDUC 2640	Language Arts: Theory to Practice Pre-K - 8
3	EDUC 2850	Investigations in Science and Social Studies in Early Childhood Education (offered fall only)
3	MATH 1600	Informal Math Modeling (completes required math cluster)
3	HIST 1000 or 1100	World Civilization I or World Civilization II
3	BIOL, CHEM, GEOG, or PHYS Elective	Completes 2 <sup>nd</sup> cluster
Spring of Junior Year		
3	SPED 2800	Strategies in Reading Instruction and the Assessment of Reading
3	EDUC 2910, 2920, and 2930	The Arts: Inspiration (Module 1), Imagination (Module 2), and Integration (Module 3) – Each module is 1 credit
3	SPED 3400	Teaching Math to Students with and without Disabilities
3	IDIS 1800	Global Issues
3	HIST Elective (Any level)	For History Minor
3	PHIL 1000, 1100, 2550, or 2600	Introduction to Western Philosophy, Logic, Contemporary Ethical Issues, and Philosophy of Human Nature
Summer prior to Senior Year		
3	IDIS 4000	Capstone Seminar: Education
3	HIST Elective (2000 level or above)	For History Minor
Fall of Senior Year – Successful Passage of MTELS (Foundations of Reading and Early Childhood Test) required prior to this semester		
3	SPED 2970	Assessment of Students with and without Disabilities
3	EDUC 3122	Sheltered English Immersion (SEI)
3	SPED 3720	Classroom Management and Behavior Support
3	EDUC 3740	On-site Immersion (OSI) Field Experience
3	HIST Elective (2000 level or above)	For History Minor
Spring of Senior Year – Successful Passage of Stage 2 Review required prior to this semester		
3	EDUC 4550	Collaboration: Co-teaching, Building Communities & Working with Families
6	EDUC 4863	Practicum in Early Childhood II
3	HIST Elective (2000 level or above)*	To complete minor in history and maintain full-time student status
<b>69 Credits Taken at Fitchburg State University</b>		
<b>130 Total Credits for Degree Program</b>		

\*Course must be taken online or at 3:30 pm or later.