

**ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN**

MONTGOMERY COLLEGE

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AND

PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN

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BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS DEGREE

This Agreement is initiated this day, August 1, 2014 between Montgomery College, hereafter referred to as "MC", and Pennsylvania College of Art & Design, hereafter referred to as "PCA&D," a private, independent college in Lancaster, PA.

Purpose

The purpose of this Articulation Agreement is to establish collaboration between these two institutions in an effort to facilitate the transfer and degree completion of students who have earned the A.F.A. in Graphic Design to B.F.A. in Graphic Design or B.F.A. in Illustration and students who have earned the A.F.A. in Studio Arts to B.F.A. in Fine Art. The Agreement reflects an academically sound joint program which will lead to an efficient use of each institution's resources.

I. Goals

To offer the students at MC the opportunity to pursue the third and fourth years of the Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design, Illustration or Fine Art. The parties to this collaboration will offer the appropriate combination of courses (lower level courses offered at MC and upper level courses offered at PCA&D) to ensure that students who enter PCA&D under this agreement can complete the B.F.A requirements in four semesters of full-time enrollment by following the curriculum plan as published in the PCA&D catalog. While this agreement accepts the completion of the A.F.A. degree at MC in entirety toward PCA&D's lower-level requirements, the completion of 1-2 additional courses may facilitate or be necessary to a smoother transfer experience and/or provide students essential technical skills or a wider variety of course selection. In cases where the suggested transfer pathway exceeds A.F.A. requirements, both institutions will review and approve this recommendation.

II. Ongoing Collaboration/Modification/Termination

In the spirit of articulation, faculty representatives from both institutions agree to meet regularly, but no less than annually, to re-examine this agreement and discuss ways to enhance and

strengthen this collaboration. The term of this agreement will be in effect upon the date of the final signature. This agreement will be in effect for a three year term, which will renew automatically for the span of three terms. Partner institutions agree to communicate program changes in a timely manner to avoid disruption to student progress toward degree completion. Modification of this agreement must be made between the institutions in writing and signed by all parties. Either party may terminate this Agreement upon 6 months written notice to the President of either institution. In the event of termination, each party agrees, to the extent reasonably and financially practicable, to continue the program until each student fully or conditionally admitted has: (a) the opportunity to complete the desired degree, (b) had the opportunity to complete the degree with substituted courses of a similar course content, or (c) chosen to complete an equivalent degree at another institution.

III. Students transferring under the terms of this agreement are eligible for the following benefits:

- Application fee waiver
- Guaranteed admission with an overall cumulative GPA of 2.5, 3.0 average in studio classes
- Waiver of portfolio requirement
- Transfer and application of entire AFA degree toward BFA requirements
- One on one transfer advising
- Eligibility for financial aid and scholarship opportunities
- MC graduates enrolling at PCA&D with an overall cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above are eligible for a \$1000 PCA&D Partnership Scholarship, renewable for one year
- Housing location assistance

IV. Terms

- Admission to PCA&D is limited to fall semester
- Students must file Intent to Enroll (attached) by October 1 prior to the intended fall transfer semester (i.e. October 1, 2014, if applying for fall 2015 admission)
- Students should file the PCA&D application for admission by April 1, preceding fall enrollment
- Students must apply for admission within one year of graduation from MC and not have matriculated in another bachelor degree program prior to enrollment at PCA&D

V. **Designated Representatives**

The following are the designated program representatives for each institution for the purposes of implementing this agreement and for any notices required to be given under this agreement.

For Pennsylvania College of Art & Design: Pam Richardson, Dean of Students,
prichardson@pcad.edu, (717)396-7833 x 1012

For Montgomery College: Clarice Somersall, Associate Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs, Office of the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs,
clarice.somersall@montgomerycollege.edu, (240) 567-1702.

We, the undersigned, agree to the articulation of requirements for the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Graphic Design, Illustration, and Fine Art. This Agreement is applicable for students enrolled at MC upon the execution date of this Agreement.

For Montgomery College:

SK Rai 08/04/2014

Sanjay Rai, PhD Date
Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Deborah Preston 7-30-14

Deborah Preston, PhD Date
Instructional Dean, Arts

For Pennsylvania College of Art & Design:

Marc Torick 8/19/14

Marc Torick Date
Academic Dean