MOUNT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY - Frederick and Emmitsburg Campuses AND MONTGOMERY COLLEGE INSTITUTIONAL PATHWAY AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT

This Agreement serves as the formal collaboration document for Montgomery College (MC) and Mount St. Mary's University (MSMU) to deliver seamless pathways between an associate's degree program and bachelor's degree program. The approved pathways are included as a separate appendix to this agreement.

PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT

- 1. The institutions agree to follow the joint program curriculum and course-by-course articulation delineated in these documents.
- 2. Both educational institutions will cooperate toward developing, disseminating, and presenting the articulated program information to students.
- 3. Graduates of Montgomery College who have successfully completed the approved degree program will be considered for guaranteed admission in accordance with MSMU's transfer student policy. MSMU may accept up to 75 credits. All credit evaluations will be evaluated based on the current receiving institution's catalog and policies.
- 4. Students intending to transfer should apply for admission by the priority deadline for the semester for which they intend to enroll.
- 5. Students are subject to all the policies and procedures of both institutions, as dictated by the current academic year institution catalog.
- 6. This Agreement is based on the present curricula contained in the appendix and derived from the current academic year catalog. The degree requirements will be reviewed biennially; the Agreement will be reviewed every three years at which time the Agreement can be renewed upon the mutual written consent of both parties and terminated on one parties' written consent.
- 7. Either institution may initiate changes to this Agreement. Changes should be shared in written format and executed by both parties, via email or USPS, with at least 30-days' notice for implementation. The contact at Montgomery College is the Provost and at MSMU the Office of the Provost.
- 8. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, all information relating to student educational records shall be treated in accordance with the Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

- 9. This Agreement is effective beginning the academic semester following the execution of this Agreement.
- 10. As part of this Agreement, appendices for curricula can be added or edited without a new articulation agreement full signature process, although each institution must agree in writing to the new degree pathway.
- 11. MSMU agrees to accept the general education requirements embedded in Montgomery College's AA, AS, AAT degrees and apply these requirements in their entirety to the Mount's core requirements. Students may need to complete additional MSMU core courses to meet the graduation credit requirements.
- 12. Incoming matriculated students will have all the rights and privileges of other MSMU rising junior students.
- 13. Montgomery College students will be eligible for financial aid and a range of merit-based scholarships/grants/reductions of tuition on the same basis as MSMU students.

APPENDIX

As part of this agreement, the following have been included:

1. Recommended Transfer Pathways for completion of Montgomery College and MSMU-Frederick requirements:

Business Administration, Criminal Justice

1. Recommended Transfer Pathways for completion of Montgomery College and MSMU-Emmitsburg requirements:

Business Administration, Criminal Justice and Cybersecurity

SIGNATORIES

This agreement represents our understanding that students who adhere to the requirements will have the ability to transfer from Montgomery College to MSMU.

Approval is granted according to the terms of this agreement by:

Montgomery College

By:

Dr. Sanjay Rai

Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Date

Mount St. Mary's University

By:

Dr. Jennifer Staiger

Associate Provost, - Frederick Campus

Dr. David McCarthy

Associate Provost - Main Campus

Date

Date