



## DUAL ADMISSIONS AGREEMENT Between

# Mercer County Community College And Georgian Court University

# For Transfer to Georgian Court University's Bachelor's Degree Programs

## 1. Purpose

This Agreement is designed to assist students who wish to transfer into a Georgian Court University bachelor's degree program after successfully completing a recommended Mercer County Community College associate degree program listed in the table below:

# **Dual Admissions Recommended Program Pathways**

To increase the likelihood that the student is able to complete the bachelor's degree program in two years, students in the recommended MCCC associate degree program should choose their electives from the Transfer Program at www.njtransfer.org for the corresponding GCU bachelor's degree program. Students may transfer up to 75 credits from MCCC to GCU.

MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE Recommended associate degree program	GEORGIAN COURT UNIVERSITY For transfer to this bachelor's degree program
A.A.S. Advertising and Graphic Design	B.A. Digital Design
A.S. Biology	B.A. Biology, B.S. Biology, B.S. Nursing (fast track program)
A.S. Business Administration	B.A. Latino Business Studies, B.S. Accounting, B.S. Business Administration, B.S. Finance, B.S. Health Information Management, B.S. Management, B.S. Marketing
A.S. Chemistry	B.A. Chemistry, B.S. Chemistry, B.S. Biochemistry
A.A. Communication	B.A. Digital Communication
A.S. Communication: New Media	B.A. Digital Communication
A.S. Computer Science	B.A. Mathematics
A.S. Criminal Justice	B.A. Criminal Justice
A.A. Dance	B.A. Dance
A.A. Education	B.A. or B.S. with Liberal Arts Major and Teacher Certification (Elementary Education K-6 with Teacher of Students with Disabilities [TSWD] Endorsement or Teacher of a Specific Subject Grades K-12 with Teacher of Students with Disabilities [TSWD] Endorsement. Optional Teacher of English as a Second Language Endorsement is available for K-6 or K-12):  English – K-6/TSWD History – K-6/TSWD Psychology – K-6/TSWD English – K-12/TSWD History – K-12/TSWD

A.S. Exercise Science	B.S. Exercise Sciences, Wellness and Sports	
	B.A. English, B.A. History, B.A. Interdisciplinary	
A.A. Liberal Arts	Studies, B.A. Psychology, Bachelor of Social Work	
A.S. Mathematics	B.A. Mathematics	
A.S. Physics	B.A. Mathematics	
A.S. Plant Science	B.A. Biology, B.S. Biology	
A.S. Public Health	B.A. Psychology	
A.S. Sustainability	B.A. Biology, B.A. English, B.A. History, B.A. Interdisciplinary Studies, B.S. Natural Sciences, B.A. Psychology	
A.A.S. or A.F.A. Degree Program:  Accounting  Administrative Professional  Advertising and Graphic Design  Automotive Technology  Aviation Customer Relations  Aviation Flight Technology  Building Construction Technology  Business Software Applications  Business Studies  Civil Engineering Technology  Computer Networking and Technology  Culinary Arts  Cybersecurity  Dance  Digital Film  Digital Media Arts  Early Childhood Education/Special Education Assistant  Electronics Engineering Technology  Energy Systems Technology  Energy Systems Technology  Entertainment Technology  Fashion/Apparel Design  Fashion Merchandising  Fire Science Technology  Funeral Service  Funeral Service  Funeral Service Preparatory  Game Design  Game Programming  Health Information Technology  Health Science  Heating Refrigeration and Air Conditioning  Hotel, Restaurant and Institution Management  Illustration  Medical Laboratory Technology  Microcomputer Systems Administration  Occupational Therapy Assistant  Ornamental Horticulture  Paralegal  Physical Therapy Assistant	B.A. Applied Arts & Sciences with two focus areas from:  Accounting Art Biology Business Administration Chemistry Communication Criminal Justice Dance Economics English Exercise Science, Wellness and Sports Graphic Design History Holistic Health Mathematics Multimedia Psychology Religious Studies Social Work Spanish	

- Radio
- Radiography
- Respiratory Care
- Security Systems Technology
- Technical Studies
- Television
- Theatre
- Visual Arts

## A.S. Degree Program:

- Aviation Management
- Culinology
- Engineering Science

Students participating in this joint admission program will be taking courses at Mercer County Community College that will expedite and facilitate their progress toward a bachelor's degree at Georgian Court University.

## 2. Tuition Discount

Graduates of Mercer County Community College who enroll full-time in Georgian Court University's Lakewood programs are guaranteed a tuition discount ranging from 20% to 52% of the full-time (12–18 credits) semester tuition rate based on GPA at the time of admission to GCU.

CGPA	Discount
3.75+	52%
3.50 - 3.74	45%
3.00 - 3.49	37%
2.50 - 2.99	30%
2.00 - 2.49	20%

In addition to the guaranteed tuition discount, students are eligible to receive additional grants and scholarships offered by Georgian Court University.

# 3. Class Standing of Students Who Complete Mercer County Community College Associate Degree Programs

Students who complete their associate's degree program, earn a grade of "C" or higher in at least 60 transferable credits, and fulfill the other criteria of this dual degree agreement will enter Georgian Court University as fully matriculated students with junior (completion of 60 or more credits) standing and will be able to complete most degree programs with no more than two years of full-time (12–18 credits per semester) study at Georgian Court University. Please note that students pursuing double majors (including all education majors) or certain other degree programs such as nursing may need more than two years to complete bachelor's degree requirements.

#### 4. Benefits/Advantages of This Program

The dual admissions program provides the student early planning with Mercer County Community College and Georgian Court University counselors to assure a smooth transfer.

The student will receive careful guidance in course selection.

The student, while at Mercer County Community College, has assurance that he or she is working toward the fulfillment of the general requirements of an undergraduate degree of Georgian Court University.

The student who meets the stated criteria will have a guaranteed, reserved place in the corresponding bachelor's degree program at Georgian Court University.

Other than for the exceptions listed under Time Limit, graduation requirements at Georgian Court University will not change as long as the student meets the criteria outlined under Time Limit.

While the student is enrolled at Mercer County Community College, a Georgian Court University Admissions Counselor will facilitate early financial planning and estimates of financial aid and scholarships.

The student can participate in activities at both schools.

The student can use facilities at both schools.

The student has the opportunity to meet with college administrators and faculty members at special advising and orientation programs.

The Mercer County Community College student will be welcomed to Georgian Court with notification of his/her acceptance into the dual admissions program from both the GCU Office of Admissions and the department of the appropriate GCU academic program.

## 5. Criteria for Admission to a Bachelor Degree Program under the terms of this Agreement

After being admitted into the dual admissions program, formal admission to Georgian Court University under the terms of this agreement is contingent upon completion of an A.A., A.S., A.F.A. or A.A.S. degree program at Mercer County Community College as defined under section 1 with an overall cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0.

Once formally admitted to Georgian Court University, a student may choose any degree program except the following three, which have additional admissions criteria. Students who are admitted to Georgian Court University but are subsequently not admitted into one of these programs may choose a different Georgian Court University major. Students ordinarily demonstrate that they meet the additional criteria below at the time they formally apply to Georgian Court University, which occurs near or at the end of their associate's degree program of study.

- For students entering any bachelor's degree program in education, they must have an overall cumulative
  grade point average of at least 3.0 (subject to change by the state of New Jersey) and satisfactory
  completion of other requirements, including a New Jersey Commissioner-approved Basic Skills exam, two
  completed recommendation forms, and a group interview (consult current Georgian Court University
  undergraduate catalog for details).
- For students entering the BSN program, they must have an overall cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 with a minimum grade of C+ on the first attempt to complete Human Anatomy and Physiology I and II and the equivalent of GCU's EN111. If the student has taken Microbiology, Chemistry, or Statistics, the student should have earned at least a C+ the first time each course was taken. In making an admissions decision, the nursing program will consider the overall strength of student's academic record, including any pattern of course withdrawals, repeats, or failures, in addition to dual admissions status.
- For students entering the B.A. in Dance program, they must have a successful audition.

#### 6. The Dual Admission Application Process and Procedures:

Mercer County Community College encourages students to apply to this program anytime within their first 30 credits at Mercer County Community College. Students may opt to apply after matriculating at Mercer County Community College at any time prior to their last semester at Mercer County Community College by completing appropriate forms that are provided by Georgian Court University and submitting them to the appropriate Mercer County Community College officials. Mercer County Community College will forward the completed Dual Admissions Application to Georgian Court University each semester.

Students must submit the Mercer County Community College and Georgian Court University applications for admission and all academic credentials (including the Dual Admissions Student Release Form) required by Georgian Court University. Students are to provide transcripts from all colleges previously attended to both the Mercer County Community College and Georgian Court University Offices of Admission by the appropriate deadline.

The Georgian Court University application fee will be waived. The Georgian Court University Office of Admissions will mail each Mercer County Community College dual admissions applicant a letter of welcome with notification of his/her acceptance into the dual admissions program upon receipt of the Georgian Court University application. The parameters and guarantees of the program will be outlined along with instructions the student must follow to maintain eligibility in the program. The student will be assigned a Georgian Court University advisor. The student's prospective GCU academic department will be notified and requested to contact the student by letter and/or phone.

Representatives of Georgian Court University will meet at Mercer County Community College with students in the dual admissions program annually. The purpose of the meeting will be to provide information about Georgian Court University, inform the students of the services provided by Georgian Court University, re-emphasize Georgian Court University's final application requirements, and answer other questions. Dual admissions students will be invited and encouraged to attend Georgian Court University's early scheduling/advisement sessions for new students.

## 7. Time Limit

From the time of their enrollment at Mercer County Community College in the curricula listed above, students are allowed five years to complete their Mercer County Community College degree in order to maintain rights to the Georgian Court University requirements for the bachelor's degree in effect at the time of matriculation into the Mercer County Community College program. This five-year period will allow sufficient time for both full and part-time students to complete their Mercer County Community College program.

If more than five years elapses between the date of initial enrollment at Mercer County Community College and the date of matriculation at Georgian Court University, the student must fulfill the degree requirements in place at the time of entrance to Georgian Court University. If Georgian Court University no longer offers a course that was offered when the student enrolled at Mercer County Community College, the student will be offered an appropriate substitute course. If the state of New Jersey or other accreditation/certification requirements for the program have changed, the student may have to follow requirements in place at the time of enrollment at Georgian Court University.

#### 8. Transfer of Credit

Georgian Court University agrees to accept, in transfer, credit for each course taken as part of the associate degree in which the student has earned a "C" or better and which are listed as transferable at www.njtransfer.org. Credit equivalencies for Mercer County Community College courses are listed online at www.njtransfer.org. It is the responsibility of the student to provide Georgian Court University with a final, official Mercer County Community College transcript that lists all courses completed and states that an associate's degree has been awarded.

Students transferring to programs that have special individualized articulation agreements, currently only A.S. in Exercise Science to B.S. in Exercise Science, Wellness, and Sports, should follow the existing special articulation agreements, which identify the courses students should complete to ensure maximum credit application and timely completion of their baccalaureate program. Students enrolled in an A.A.S. or A.F.A. degree program may transfer up to forty-eight MCCC Occupational/Technical Module credits towards the Bachelor of Arts in Applied Arts & Sciences. Students may transfer up to 75 credits from Mercer County Community College, providing a grade of C or better is earned.

#### 9. Institutional Responsibilities

Mercer County Community College and Georgian Court University agree to promote the Dual Admissions Program in appropriate college publications and at recruitment and outreach activities.

Georgian Court University will be invited to participate in at least two Mercer County Community College Transfer Fairs each year.

Mercer County Community College will allocate adequate and appropriate meeting space, as needed, to Georgian Court University for the partnership program and staff. GCU will utilize this space for Admissions

Counselors, Financial Aid Counselors, and Academic Advisors to meet with students interested in the Dual Admissions Program.

10. Agreement Review

Mercer County Community College and Georgian Court University will notify one another of curricular changes that impact the articulated programs as soon as the changes are approved institutionally. The Dual Admissions Program Agreement shall be subject to review and modification every five years by officials at Georgian Court University and Mercer County Community College to determine if it continues to meet the needs of both institutions.

#### 11. Term of Contract

This Agreement shall commence for the Fall 2017 semester. Review of the Dual Admissions Recommended Pathways will happen on an annual basis, beginning September 2017. The Agreement shall be deemed automatically renewed for succeeding academic years unless either party notifies the other party in writing of its intent to terminate this Agreement. Termination will become effective one year after such notice is received; however, all students currently enrolled in the program at Mercer County Community College will be permitted to complete their associate degree and transfer to Georgian Court University before final phase-out of this Agreement occurs. It is understood and agreed that the parties to this Agreement may modify or revise this Agreement by written amendment when both parties agree to such an amendment.

Each institution will put forth its best efforts to independently publicize the Agreement describing the interinstitutional relationships. Mercer County Community College and Georgian Court University will list the Agreement in appropriate places in their catalogs. Each institution will provide an advance copy of planned publicity material to the respective public relations offices for approval prior to any release. Possibilities of joint publicity, such as a brochure, may at times be beneficial and the public relations offices of both institutions will maintain contact to coordinate such efforts.

Each institution shall designate an individual as liaison to update course offerings and adjust terms as necessary. An audit trail of changes to this Agreement shall be documented in writing by each institution.

The undersigned representatives of the parties have executed this agreement effective this 21st day of November in the year 2016.

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# Dual Admissions Application and Academic Record Release

Name (print or type)	MCCC Student ID Number
Street Address	City, State and Zip Code
Home Phone Number/Cell Number	Email Address
	Gender: Female Male
Date of Birth Country of Citizenship	
Are you currently attending MCCC? Yes No_	Anticipated date of graduation
If yes, in which degree program are you currently en	rolled?
If not currently enrolled, when was your last semest	er at Mercer County Community College?
What Georgian Court University program or progran **Please see Dual Admissions Bachelor Program **	
Please be advised that students who are pursuing a may require more than two years of full-time course requirements.	double-major (including all education majors) or certain other degree programs work beyond the associate's degree to complete the bachelor's degree
Have you previously attended any other college or u If yes, please list below:	niversity? Yes No
	ge Admissions and Records Office to release any information, including academic concerning my Mercer County Community College transcripts.
University Dual Admissions program. I understa program and 2) earning the required minimum understand that I must also fulfill any pre-required Admissions Agreement) for admission into the Court University. I understand that it is advisable Georgian Court University Dual Admission Court College for more than two consecutive semesters.	g) participation in the Mercer County Community College /Georgian Court and that by: 1) completing a Mercer County Community College associate degree GPA of 2.0, I will be guaranteed admission to Georgian Court University. I sites or other special requirements (as outlined in section 5 of the Dual major program. I authorize my academic information to be released to Georgian e to meet with a Mercer County Community College Academic Advisor and the selor. I understand that if I am not enrolled at Mercer County Community rs (excluding summer or winter terms) I will have to re-apply to the dual non-binding agreement and I may change my mind at any time by writing to the selor.
•	ercer County Community College to release my Praxis CORE, SAT, or ACT scores
Signature of Student	Date

# **Dual Admissions Bachelor Programs**

#### SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Bachelor of Arts in Applied Arts and Sciences

Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry

**Bachelor of Arts in Biology** 

Bachelor of Science in Biology

Bachelor of Science in Chemistry

Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry

Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice

Bachelor of Arts in Dance

Bachelor of Arts in English

Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science, Wellness and Sports

Bachelor of Arts in History

Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies

**Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics** 

Bachelor of Science in Natural Sciences

**Bachelor of Science in Nursing** 

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology

**Bachelor of Social Work** 

## **SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND DIGITAL MEDIA**

**Bachelor of Science in Accounting** 

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Bachelor of Arts in Digital Communication

Bachelor of Arts in Digital Design

Bachelor of Science in Finance

Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management

**Bachelor of Arts in Latino Business Studies** 

Bachelor of Science in Management

Bachelor of Science in Marketing

## **SCHOOL OF EDUCATION**

Elementary Education K-6 (Available majors: English, history, interdisciplinary studies, psychology)

Specific Subject K-12 (Available majors: English, history)

ESL and Elementary Education K-6 (Available majors: English, history, interdisciplinary studies, psychology)

ESL and Specific Subject K–12 (Available majors: English, history)

\*Please be advised that students who are pursuing a double-major (including all education majors) or certain other degree programs may require more than two years of full-time course work beyond the associate's degree to complete the bachelor's degree requirements.

Information is correct as of July 2016. Please verify current program offerings with advisors and counselors at Mercer County Community College and Georgian Court University.

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO MCCC'S TRANSFER SERVICES OFFICE

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