



## Merritt College Counseling Department

Articulation Notes  
November 29, 2004

1. **UC Riverside Major Prep Change** UCR has added the following notation on ASSIST under the Biology, Biological Sciences, and Botany/Plant Science majors: "One year of organic chemistry" as an option towards meeting transfer selection criteria.
2. **UCSB & TAAs** UCSB has removed the notation about F04 TAA admission from ASSIST. The TAAs are now specific only to F05.
3. **Samuel Merritt Update** Here are the latest details on the changes underway at SMC:
  - **Spring '05** Admission essentially closed. Admitted 65 for 57 spots and acceptance letters sent out.
  - **Fall '05** Applications currently being accepted; deadline of 3/1/05 (may be extended but not likely). Must have F04 grades posted on transcript. Admitted as 1<sup>st</sup> semester sophomores to existing intercollegiate program w/ St. Mary's. Probably very few admission slots open. Will then have 3 years (6 semesters) to complete all SMC clinical nursing courses, minimum of 5 St. Mary's residency courses (including completion of intermediate level of foreign language), and any other St. Mary's graduation requirements (including units needed for graduation). Terminal degree is joint degree between St. Mary's and SMC—diploma has seal of both schools and is signed by both presidents.
  - **Spring, '06** Last admission to existing intercollegiate program. Will only accept 2<sup>nd</sup> semester sophomores which means applicants have completed existing prereqs (see agreement on web site) plus 5 add'l courses: Microbiology (BIOL 3), Statistics (MATH 13), Interpersonal Communication (SPCH 20), Nutrition (NUTR 10), and Human Development (PSYCH 21 offered only at Vista). Very few spots open; will likely admit only those who have completed language requirement and w/ highest GPA. When admitted, will then only have 5 semesters to complete St. Mary's residency and other graduation requirements (vs. 6 semesters).
  - **Fall, '06 and Beyond** Intercollegiate program ends but will continue to take straight transfer students (admitted as SMC students and awarded SMC BSN). Will admit CCC transfers as 1<sup>st</sup> semester juniors who have completed all lower division GE (see current agreement) plus 5 add'l courses noted above for a total of about 60 units (exact # still to be determined). Will then complete approx. 6-9 upper division GE plus all clinical nursing courses plus any graduation requirements (and any units needed to reach total for graduation). Advantage is that students only need to pay for 2 years (vs. 2 ½ or 3) of private school tuition.
  - In addition to the above, SMC now requires passing the Nursing Entrance Test (NET) w/ score of 55 or better for admission. May re-take once if don't pass on 1<sup>st</sup> try. Contact Pam Harrison at SMC for information (510) 869-6608.