

# Gwynedd Mercy University

## Dual Admissions and Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement



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meant to be used as a guide.  
The transfer Institution reserves  
the right to make changes at any time.*

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**DUAL ADMISSIONS AND CORE-TO-CORE TRANSFER AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
DELAWARE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
AND  
GWYNEDD MERCY UNIVERSITY**

**Preface**

Delaware County Community College (DCCC) and Gwynedd Mercy University enter into this Dual Admissions and Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement to facilitate the transfer of DCCC graduates to Gwynedd Mercy University. This agreement supersedes any previous agreements prior to Fall 2022.

Under the Dual Admissions Agreement, DCCC students will be guaranteed admission into a Bachelor's Degree program with third-year (junior) status at Gwynedd Mercy University on the condition that they: graduate from DCCC with the appropriate Associate Degree as described below and in Appendix A, with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 (or higher for certain majors\*). Please see Appendix A for the designated programs included in this agreement. A full-time student admitted with third-year (junior) status to Gwynedd Mercy University will be able to complete a Bachelor's degree in a parallel program at Gwynedd Mercy University within four regular semesters provided that the student completes the appropriate Associate Degree program at DCCC and completes and appropriately sequences the remaining course work at Gwynedd Mercy University, while maintaining full time status. Students can transfer in a maximum of 75 credits to Gwynedd Mercy University.

DCCC students seeking admission to Gwynedd Mercy University's Accounting, Biology, Computer Information Science and Education programs must have a cumulative\* GPA of at least 3.0. DCCC students seeking admission to Gwynedd Mercy University's Social Work program must have a cumulative\* GPA of at least 2.5. DCCC students seeking admission to Gwynedd Mercy University's Medical Laboratory Science program must have a cumulative\* GPA of 2.8 and a 2.5 GPA in science and math courses.

\* *Cumulative GPA pertains to all post-secondary institutions attended*

In addition, Gwynedd Mercy University agrees to accept the general education courses embedded in the DCCC A.A., A.S. and A.A.S degrees as meeting all the requirements of its undergraduate general education requirements, except for the two Signature Seminars courses and one (1) Philosophy or Religion course at Gwynedd Mercy University. Gwynedd Mercy University requires 9 credits from Philosophy or Religion to meet their general education requirements.

This Dual Admissions and Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement becomes effective in Fall 2022. Students must attend Gwynedd Mercy University within two years of graduating from DCCC.

To facilitate the transfer of DCCC graduates to Gwynedd Mercy University in accordance with the foregoing guarantee, the parties agree to the following:

### **Obligations of Gwynedd Mercy University**

1. To attend regularly scheduled transfer events at DCCC.
2. To invite DCCC students who have completed an "Intent to Enroll" form to visit campus, including open house and/or Accepted Student Day events at Gwynedd Mercy University in order to facilitate smooth curricular and co-curricular integration to Gwynedd Mercy University.
3. To send, within 30 days of receipt of the "Intent to Enroll" form, a Gwynedd Mercy University letter outlining admissions next steps to all DCCC students who complete an "Intent to Enroll" form and meet the conditions set forth in the Preface. DCCC students who complete an "Intent to Enroll" form will be governed by the Gwynedd Mercy University degree requirements in effect at the time of signing the "Intent to Enroll" form.
4. To waive the application fee for students who apply to Gwynedd Mercy University pursuant to this Agreement.
5. To award academic scholarships to all qualified DCCC graduates admitted to Gwynedd Mercy University pursuant to this Agreement. Full-time Gwynedd Mercy University students (enrolled in 12 or more credits a semester) with a 2.50-2.99 final cumulative DCCC GPA will receive a minimum \$11,000 scholarship; full-time students with a 3.0-3.49 final cumulative DCCC GPA will receive a minimum \$13,000 scholarship; and full-time students with a 3.5-4.0 final cumulative DCCC GPA will receive a minimum \$15,000 scholarship. (These amounts may change – please see website for future amounts.) Full-time students (enrolled in 12 or more credits a semester) who are members of Phi Theta Kappa will also receive a \$2,000 PTK scholarship per year. All scholarships may be renewed for an additional two years contingent upon the students remaining in good academic standing at Gwynedd Mercy University (per catalog). Students may also be eligible for need-based financial aid and other types of financial aid based on the results of their FAFSA.
6. To ensure these students are provided with Gwynedd Mercy University financial aid information and receive full consideration for Gwynedd Mercy University financial aid, in addition to the scholarships listed above, upon matriculation at Gwynedd Mercy University
7. To support and accept a Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement that allows the DCCC general education core for the A.A., A.S., and A.A.S degrees to fulfill all Gwynedd Mercy University core requirements. Core-to-Core Transfer does not alter the requirements of the student's major field of study or its admissions standards as identified in the Gwynedd Mercy University catalog.

8. To ensure that all courses for which a passing grade (A, B, C or D) was received will transfer to Gwynedd Mercy University. Please note, some major requirements may require a grade of C or higher.
9. To identify eligible DCCC graduates upon admission and at the time of enrollment to Gwynedd Mercy University and note that they have satisfied Gwynedd Mercy University core requirements by core-to-core transfer on all pertinent Gwynedd Mercy University student records.
10. To ensure that DCCC graduates entering Gwynedd Mercy University under the terms of this Agreement will go through Gwynedd Mercy University's transfer process and therefore must meet all applicable Gwynedd Mercy University requirements and deadlines pertaining to orientation and registration, and payment of tuition and fees. The students will abide by the policies and procedures, and any revisions thereof that apply to all Gwynedd Mercy University students.
11. To ensure that DCCC Dual Admissions students who matriculate at Gwynedd Mercy University have all the rights and privileges of other Gwynedd Mercy University students.
12. To waive placement assessments for DCCC graduates.

**Obligations of Delaware County Community College:**

1. To publicize this Agreement to prospective and current DCCC students in its promotional literature and make arrangements for Gwynedd Mercy University admissions representatives to visit DCCC and meet with prospective and current Dual Admissions students.
2. To provide academic advising to students who are interested in the Dual Admissions Transfer Agreement to make certain students have the appropriate courses for their intended major at Gwynedd Mercy University once program-to-program curriculum sequences have been established. DCCC, in accordance with the admission application policies and procedures of Gwynedd Mercy University, will coordinate the delivery of academic records and application materials to Gwynedd Mercy University. DCCC students who apply to Gwynedd Mercy University under the terms of this Agreement will be required to go through the standard Gwynedd Mercy University transfer admissions process, as developed by Gwynedd Mercy University, and therefore must meet all applicable requirements and deadlines pertaining to admission to Gwynedd Mercy University.
3. To work with Gwynedd Mercy University on possible program-to-program transfer agreements and/or guides that specify for DCCC transfer students the courses that satisfy major requirements for Gwynedd Mercy University's undergraduate degree programs.

**Eligibility Requirements and Student Obligations**

DCCC students who wish to participate in Dual Admissions pursuant to the terms of this Agreement are subject to each of the following requirements:

1. No course in which a grade below C was earned is accepted for transfer credit, except in the case that the student has completed an A.A. (Associate in Arts) or A.S. (Associate in Science) or AAS (Associate in Applied Science) degree. All credits earned in the A.A., A.S. and A.A.S degree programs will be transferred to Gwynedd Mercy University, provided that the student achieved (a) a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 for all courses presented for the degree and (b) a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 for courses required in and offered by the major at Gwynedd Mercy University (higher for some majors\*). If the student has not satisfied both (a) and (b), the student's courses will be evaluated by Gwynedd Mercy University.
2. At least 45-50 credits (depending on the major program) must be completed at Gwynedd Mercy University.
3. Only credit is transferred. The grades for transfer courses are not calculated in the student's GPA at Gwynedd Mercy University. Once courses have been transferred, they become part of the student's permanent record and cannot be removed.
4. Students are required to sign a Dual Admissions "Intent to Enroll" form before completion of their 30<sup>th</sup> college credit. The student will be required to complete a Gwynedd Mercy University application form prior to the intended start term.
5. DCCC graduates entering Gwynedd Mercy University under the terms of this agreement must go through Gwynedd Mercy University normal transfer admissions process and therefore must meet all Gwynedd Mercy University requirements and deadlines pertaining to application for admission, orientation and registration, and payment of tuition and fees.
6. The following items are required for a complete transfer application:
  - Application (no charge)
  - Official College transcript(s) from all institutions attended
  - Some programs may require a background check (e.g. Education, Psychology Social Work, Secondary Education, Health Professions)
  - Students seeking to fulfill Basic Skills requirements prior to admission to the University may do so through one of the following means:
    - Meeting the required minimal scores on SAT/ACT, Core, PPST or "mix and match" option using the PDE calculator;
    - Transferring the following course equivalents with a grade of B or better: ENG 101 (DCCC ENG 100), MTH 103 (DCCC MAT 125)/MTH 104 (DCCC MAT 126). (The student would still need to complete one University Signature course to meet the full Reading/Writing Basic Skills requirement);
    - Students who have not met the Basic Skills requirement prior to admission to the University, will be given one semester or to the 60-credit mark to fulfill the PDE requirements. After the one semester, If the student is past the 60-credit mark, they will remain in Education Studies and work closely with their advisor to explore alternate routes to a teaching career.

### **Joint Obligations:**

1. To consult with each other through appropriate channels prior to implementing major changes in policy or curricula that directly affect students transferring under the terms of this Agreement and keep each other informed of any other changes of policy or curricula that affect those students. Both Gwynedd Mercy University and DCCC will review this Agreement annually and make any changes upon mutual agreement, as needed. Such changes will become effective when both DCCC and Gwynedd Mercy University sign the revised document.
2. To collaborate in providing students with information and academic advising about this Agreement, DCCC academic requirements, and the process of transferring to Gwynedd Mercy University
3. To develop and implement advertising and promotional efforts to communicate the benefits of Dual Admission and Core-to-Core Transfer
4. To designate a representative or representatives at each institution who will coordinate the Dual Admission and Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement between the two institutions
5. To exchange data and documents annually that will contribute to the maintenance and improvement of this core-to-core arrangement, enhance the transfer process, and promote effective cooperation between institutions. These may consist of aggregate data about transfer students, including admissions information, academic progress and retention information, and reports on the results of program reviews, assessments of student learning, and decisions of curricular and other committees. The institution(s) will exchange data after obtaining appropriate permission from the students as indicated on the Dual Admissions "Intent to Enroll" form.
6. To facilitate and support consultation and collaboration between their faculties related to this agreement, general education, degree requirements, and other academic matters.

### **Revision, Renewal and Termination of this Agreement**

The Gwynedd Mercy University and the DCCC designates are responsible for identifying, and communicating to each other, changes in the policies or requirements of their respective institutions that affect this Agreement.

This Agreement will be in effect as of Fall 2022. It will be reviewed annually by the appropriate parties at each institution and will be renewed automatically until superseded by a new Agreement or formally terminated. Either institution may terminate this Agreement at any time by written notice at least one year in advance of the effective date of termination. Should this Agreement be terminated, it is understood that the termination will not apply to students already accepted to Gwynedd Mercy University under the terms of this Agreement.

## **APPENDIX A**

The following DCCC Associate Degree programs are included in this agreement:

- AA in Administration of Justice to BS in Criminal Justice
- AS in Business Administration to BS in Accounting
- AS in Business Administration to BS in Business Administration (online and accelerated)
- AS in Business Administration to BS in Finance
- AS in Business Administration to BS in Management
- AS in Business Administration to BS in Marketing
- AA in Communication Arts, Communication Studies Option to BS in Digital Communications
- AS in Computer Science to BS in Computer Information Science
- AA in Early Childhood Education to BS in Early Education (PreK-4)
- AA in Early Childhood Education to BS in Early Education & Special Education
- AA in History to BA in History
- AAS in Information Technology, Computer Programming to BS in Computer Information Science
- AAS in Information Technology, Game Development to BS in Computer Information Science
- AAS in Information Technology, Help Desk/Technical Support to BS in Computer Information Science
- AAS in Information Technology, Interactive Multimedia to BS in Computer Information Science
- AAS in Information Technology, Network Engineering to BS in Computer Information Science
- AAS in Information Technology, Web Development to BS in Computer Information Science
- AAS in Interactive Computing to BS in Computer Information Science
- AA in Liberal Arts to BA in Liberal Studies

- AS in Mathematics/Natural Science to BS in Biology\*
- AS in Mathematics/Natural Science to BS in Public Health\*
- AS in Mathematics/ Natural Science to BS in Medical Laboratory Science
- AS in Psychology to BA/BS in Psychology
- AS in Science for Health Professions to BS in Biology\*
- AS in Science for Health Professions to BS in Public Health\*
- AS in Science for Health Professions to BS in Medical Laboratory Science
- AA in Social Work to Bachelor of Social Work

Additional programs may be added as articulations are approved.

\*Acceptance into these bachelor's degrees have some additional stipulations on the curriculum sheet.