

Articulation Agreement  
Between  
Miles City Community College (MCC) and Montana State University (MSU)

**Overview:**

This formal program articulation agreement is made and entered into by Miles Community College and Montana State University-Bozeman, hereinafter referred to as MCC and MSU, respectively. By this agreement, MCC and MSU express a shared commitment to increasing opportunities for student access to and success in education leading to baccalaureate degree programs.

**Purpose:**

This agreement allows students to pursue a baccalaureate degree at MSU by following course articulation agreement described herein. By completing the agreed upon curriculum program in Agricultural Business-Farm and Ranch Management Option at MCC, students can transfer to MSU and complete the Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Business-Farm and Ranch Management Option upon completion of the remaining degree requirements. Any MCC student who has completed the required coursework while adhering to the guidelines within this agreement is guaranteed the transfer of accepted designated major-related requirements into the MSU Agricultural Business-Farm and Ranch Management Option curriculum as described below.

In addition to students being expected to achieve a grade of C- or better on all departmental graduation requirements and prerequisites, Farm and Ranch Management students must also receive a grade of C or better in ECNS 101IS, ECNS 202, ECNS 204IS, ECNS 301, ECNS 303, and M 161Q or M 171Q (or their equivalents) to meet departmental graduation requirements.

**Conditions of Transfer:**

***Section I: Admission and Matriculation:***

MCC students maintaining continuous enrollment under this agreement will be afforded the same treatment and protection as traditionally enrolled MSU students under a specific catalog.

Criteria and requirements for acceptance into MSU will be the same for transfer students under this agreement as those for traditional transfer students and can be found at <https://www.montana.edu/admissions/apply/transfer.html>.

Students will use the Request for Transmittal of Admissions Materials to have their application and transcript sent from MCC to MSU and serve as the student's application to MSU. Students should also notify the Registrar's Office at MSU that they wish to have their credits applied as per this agreement.

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Upon admission to MSU, transfer students from MCC will have access to student services, financial aid, and scholarships on the same basis as traditionally enrolled students.

Upon admission to MSU, the same student conduct, academic progress, and graduation standards apply to MCC transfer students as those applicable to traditionally enrolled students.

***Section II: Program Plan:***

This curriculum plan was developed utilizing a course-by-course assessment. In some cases, the course will transfer as a direct equivalent and in other cases, the plan pre-approves specific course substitutions. Additionally, this agreement affirms that the core requirements of general education at MCC meet the general education core requirements at MSU in accordance with the Montana Board of Regents policy 301.10 - General Education Transfer Policy. Students transferring to MSU under this articulation program will be responsible for successfully completing all additional prescribed requirements per the MSU catalog under which the student enrolls.

**Terms of Agreement:**

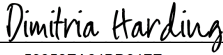
This agreement is made and entered into in the academic year 2026-2027 and remains in force for four years unless changed in writing by mutual agreement of both MCC and MSU. This agreement may be amended at any time with the agreement of both MCC and MSU and is subject to regular review to ensure the currency of course rubrics, course numbers, course prerequisites, and degree requirements. Should MCC or MSU desire to discontinue this articulation agreement, a one-academic year advance notice will be required.

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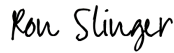
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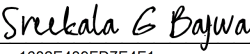
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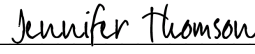
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<b>Degree Requirements for B.S. in Agricultural Business - Farm and Ranch Management Concentration</b>			
<b>MSU 2025-2026 Catalog - MCC 2025-2026 Catalog</b>			
<b>MCC 2025-2026 College Transfer</b>			
<i>A minimum of 120 credits is required for graduation; at least 42 of these credits must be in courses numbered 300 &amp; above.</i>			
<b>ALL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS &amp; THEIR PREREQUISITES MUST BE A GRADE OF C- OR BETTER. Agricultural Business students must also receive a grade of C or better in ECNS 101IS, ECNS 202, ECNS 204IS, ECNS 301, ECNS 303, and M 161Q or M 171Q (or their equivalents).</b>			
<b>Program Requirements</b>			
<b>MSU Requirement</b>	<b>Credits<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Courses to be Completed at MCC</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>Year One</b>			
ECNS 101IS - Economic Way of Thinking	3	ECNS 201 Principles of Microeconomics	3
WRIT 101W - College Writing I	3	WRIT 101 College Writing I	3
<b>Choose one of the following:</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Choose one of the following:</b>	<b>3</b>
AGED 140US - Leadership Development for Agriculture		AGED 140 Leadership Dev for Ag	
COMX 111US - Introduction to Public Speaking		COMX 111 Intro to Public Speaking	
<b>MSU CORE<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>6</b>	<b>MCC Required Coursework<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Choose one of the following:</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Choose one of the following:</b>	<b>4</b>
BIOB 160 - Principles of Living Systems		BIOB 160 - Principles of Living Systems & BIOB 161 Principles of Living Systems Lab	
BIOB 170IN - Principles of Biological Diversity		BIOB 170 Principles of Bio Diversity & BIOB 171 Principles of Bio Diversity Lab	
CHMY 121IN - Introduction to General Chemistry & CHMY 122IN - Introduction to General Chemistry Lab		CHMY 121 Intro to General Chemistry & CHMY 122 Intro to General Chemistry Lab	
CHMY 123 - Introduction to Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry & CHMY 124 - Introduction to Organic and Biochemistry Lab		CHMY 123 Intro to Organic Chem & Biochem & CHMY 124 Intro to Organic Chem & Biochem Lab	
CHMY 141 - College Chemistry I & CHMY 142 - College Chemistry I Lab		CHMY 141 College Chemistry I & CHMY 142 College Chemistry I Lab	
CHMY 143 - College Chemistry II & CHMY 144 - College Chemistry II Lab		CHMY 143 College Chemistry II	

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		& CHMY 144 College Chemistry II Lab	
ECNS 202 - Principles of Macroeconomics	3	ECNS 202 Principles of Macroeconomics	3
<b>Choose two of the following:</b>	<b>6 to 8</b>	<b>Choose two of the following:</b>	<b>6 to 8</b>
BIOB 110CS - Plant Science	3	BIOB 110 Plant Science	3
BIOB 160 - Principles of Living Systems	4	BIOB 160 - Principles of Living Systems & BIOB 161 Principles of Living Systems Lab	4
BIOB 170IN - Principles of Biological Diversity	4	BIOB 170 Principles of Bio Diversity & BIOB 171 Principles of Bio Diversity Lab	4
CHMY 121IN - Introduction to General Chemistry & CHMY 122IN - Introduction to General Chemistry Lab	4	CHMY 121 Intro to General Chemistry & CHMY 122 Intro to General Chemistry Lab	4
CHMY 123 - Introduction to Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry & CHMY 124 - Introduction to Organic and Biochemistry Lab	4	CHMY 123 Intro to Organic Chem & Biochem & CHMY 124 Intro to Organic Chem & Biochem Lab	4
CHMY 141 - College Chemistry I & CHMY 142 - College Chemistry I Lab	4	CHMY 141 College Chemistry I & CHMY 142 College Chemistry I Lab	4
CHMY 143 - College Chemistry II & CHMY 144 - College Chemistry II Lab	4	CHMY 143 College Chemistry II & CHMY 144 College Chemistry II Lab	4
ENSC 245IN - Soils	3	ENSC 245 Soils	3
<b>Year 1 credits to be completed at MSU</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Year 1 credits to be completed at MCC (minimum)</b>	<b>28</b>
		<b>Year 1 credits to be completed at MCC (maximum)</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>TOTAL YEAR ONE CREDITS</b>			<b>28 to 30</b>
<b>Year Two</b>			
ECNS 204IS - Microeconomics	3	<b>NO SUBSTITUTION</b>	
ACTG 201 - Principles of Financial Accounting	3	ACTG 201 Principles of Financial Accounting	4
STAT 216Q - Introduction to Statistics	3	STAT 216 Intro to Statistics	3
<b>MSU CORE<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>9</b>	<b>MCC Required Coursework<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>9</b>
ACTG 202 - Principles of Managerial Accounting	3	ACTG 202 Principles of Managerial Accounting	4

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<b>Choose one of the following:</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Choose one of the following:</b>	<b>4</b>
M 161Q - Survey of Calculus		M 161Q - Survey of Calculus	
M 171Q - Calculus I		M 171Q - Calculus I	
WRIT 201 - College Writing II	3	WRIT 201 College Writing II	3
<b>Choose one of the following:</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>NO SUBSTITUTION</b>	
BMIS 211 - Data Analytics I			
AGED 105 - Microcomputers in Agriculture			
<b>Year 2 credits to be completed at MSU</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Year 2 credits to be completed at MCC</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>TOTAL YEAR TWO CREDITS</b>			<b>33</b>
<b>Year Three</b>			
AGBE 321 - Economics of Agricultural Marketing	3		
AGBE 345 - Agriculture Finance and Credit Analysis	3		
ECNS 301 - Intermediate Micro with Calc	3		
ECNS 309 - Managerial Economics	3		
AGBE 341 - Farm and Ranch Management	3		
ECNS 303 - Intermediate Macro with Calc	3		
<b>Choose one of the following:</b>	<b>3</b>		
AGBE 421 - Advanced Agricultural Marketing			
AGBE 445 - Agribusiness Management			
<b>University Electives<sup>4</sup></b>	9		
<b>Year 3 credits to be completed at MSU</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>Year 3 credits to be completed at MCC</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL YEAR THREE CREDITS</b>			<b>30</b>
<b>Year Four</b>			
AGBE 451RS - Economics of Ag Policy	3		
AGBE 337 - Agricultural Law	3		
<b>Choose three of the following:</b>	<b>9</b>		
AGSC 341 - Field Crop Production			
AGSC 441 - Plant Breeding & Genetics			
AGSC 342 - Forages			
ANSC 100 - Introduction to Animal Science			
ANSC 265 - Anatomy and Physiology of Domestic Animals			
ANSC 320 - Animal Nutrition			

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ANSC 322 - Principles of Animal Breeding and Genetics			
Plants BIOO 230 - Identification of Seed			
NRSM 101 - Natural Resource Conservation			
Plants NRSM 102 - Montana Range			
Ecology NRSM 240 - Natural Resource			
<b>University Electives<sup>4</sup></b>	15		
<b>Year 4 credits to be completed with MSU</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>Year 4 credits to be completed with MCC</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL YEAR FOUR CREDITS</b>			<b>30</b>
<b>Credit Summary</b>			
<b>Minimum Total Credits Completed with MCC</b>			<b>55</b>
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<b>Total Upper Division Credits Completed</b>			<b>36</b>
<b>Minimum Credits from University Electives that must be 300 or above</b>			<b>6</b>
<b>Range of Total Credits Completed Towards Program Requirements (Min-Max)</b>			<b>121-123</b>
<p><sup>1</sup> This agreement assumes that students have received an Associate of Arts or Science from MCC and therefore have met the general education (CORE 2.0) requirements at MSU, as such, the individual CORE courses are not delineated herein.</p> <p><sup>2</sup> The number of credits awarded for the course (or requirement) at MSU. Students will be granted the number of credits from the school at which the course is completed.</p> <p><sup>3</sup> MCC Required Coursework may be Core General Education requirement or program-specific requirements to meet degree requirements for an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science at MCC.</p> <p><sup>4</sup> University Electives should be used to fulfill any missing graduation requirements such as upper division credits or general electives.</p>			