

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 Natural Resources and Rangeland-Wildlife Habitat Ecology option at MCC, students can transfer to MSU and complete the Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources and Rangeland-Wildlife Habitat Ecology 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 Natural Resources and Rangeland-Wildlife Habitat Ecology option curriculum as described below.

**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.

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.

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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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**Signatures:**

**Date:**

**Miles Community College**

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**Montana State University - COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE**  
**Degree Requirements for B.S. in Natural Resources and Rangeland Ecology - Wildlife Habitat Ecology and Management Option**  
**MSU 2025-2026 Catalog - MCC 2025-2026 Catalog**  
**MCC College Transfer**

*A minimum of 120 credits is required for graduation; at least 42 of these credits must be in courses numbered 300 & above.*

**ALL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS & THEIR PREREQUISITES MUST BE A GRADE OF C- OR BETTER**

Program Requirements			
MSU Requirement	Credits <sub>2</sub>	Courses to be Completed at MCC	Credits
<b>Year One</b>			
M 121Q - College Algebra	3	M 121 College Algebra	4
NRSM 101 - Natural Resource Conservation	3	NRSM 101 Natural Resource Conservation	3
NRSM 102 - Montana Range Plants	1	NRSM 102 Montana Range Plants	1
BIOB 170IN - Principles of Biological Diversity	4	BIOB 170 Principles of Bio Diversity & BIOB 171 Principles of Bio Diversity Lab	4
ECNS 101IS - Economic Way of Thinking	3	ECNS 201 Principles of Microeconomics	3
ANSC 100 - Introduction to Animal Science	3	ANSC 100 Introduction to Animal Science	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	
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
WRIT 101W - College Writing I	3	WRIT 101 College Writing I	3
<b>Year 1 credits to be completed at MSU</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Year 1 credits to be completed at MCC</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>TOTAL YEAR ONE CREDITS</b>			<b>28</b>
<b>Year Two</b>			
BIOB 160 - Principles of Living Systems	4	BIOB 160 - Principles of Living Systems & BIOB 161 Principles of Living Systems Lab	4
NRSM 235 - Range and Pasture Monitoring	1	NRSM 235 Range and Pasture Monitoring	1

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NRSM 240 - Natural Resource Ecology	3	NRSM 240 Natural Resource Ecology	3
ENSC 245IN - Soils	3	ENSC 245 Soils	3
WRIT 201 - College Writing II	3	WRIT 201 College Writing II	3
<b>MSU CORE<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>3</b>	<b>MCC Required Coursework<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>3</b>
ANSC 222 - Livestock in Sustain Systems	3	ANSC 222 Livestock in Sustainable Systems	3
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
BIOO 230 - Identification of Seed Plants	4	<b>NO SUBSTITUTION</b>	
STAT 216Q - Introduction to Statistics	3	STAT 216 Intro to Statistics	3
<b>Restricted Electives<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>3</b>		
<b>Year 2 credits to be completed at MSU</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Year 2 credits to be completed at MCC</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>TOTAL YEAR TWO CREDITS</b>			<b>34</b>
<b>Year Three</b>			
GPHY 284 - Intro to GIS Science & Cartog	3	GPHY 284 Intro to GIS Science & Cartography	3
NRSM 330 - Fire Ecology Mgmt	3		
WILD 355 - Wildlife and Livestock Habitat Restoration	3		
<b>Choose one of the following:</b>	<b>3</b>		
AGSC 454 - Agrostology			
BIOO 435 - Plant Systematics			
<b>MSU CORE<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>6</b>	<b>MCC Required Coursework<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>6</b>
WILD 325 - Wildlife-Livestock Nutrition	3		
NRSM 455 - Riparian Ecology & Management	3		
NRSM 350 - Vegetation of Western Wildlands	3		
NRSM 351 - Biomes of Western Wildlands	2		
NRSM 353 - Grazing Ecology and Management	3		
<b>Year 3 credits to be completed at MSU</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>Year 3 credits to be completed at MCC</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>TOTAL YEAR THREE CREDITS</b>			<b>32</b>
<b>Year Four</b>			
NRSM 453 - Habitat Inventory and Analysis	3		
ENSC 454 - Landscape Pedology	3		
<b>MSU CORE<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>3</b>	<b>MCC Required Coursework<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Restricted Electives<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>3</b>		
WILD 420 - Range & Wildlife Policy and Planning	3		

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WILD 426 - Wildlife Habitat Management	3		
WILD 438 - Wildlife Habitat Ecology	3		
BIOE 370 - General Ecology	3		
BIOO 433 - Plant Physiology	3		
<b>Year 4 credits to be completed with MSU</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>Year 4 credits to be completed with MCC</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>TOTAL YEAR FOUR CREDITS</b>			<b>27</b>
<b>Credit Summary</b>			
<b>Total Credits Completed with MCC</b>			<b>67</b>
<b>Total Upper Division Credits Completed</b>			<b>47</b>
<b>Total Credits Completed Towards Program Requirements</b>			<b>121</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> A list of available Restricted Electives is provided in the MSU catalog.</p>			