

**DUAL ADMISSIONS AND CORE-TO-CORE TRANSFER AGREEMENT**  
**BETWEEN**  
**MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
**AND**  
**POINT PARK UNIVERSITY**

**Preface**

Montgomery County Community College and Point Park University enter into this Dual Admission and Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement to facilitate the transfer of Montgomery County Community College graduates to Point Park University.

Under the Dual Admissions Agreement, Montgomery County Community College students will be guaranteed admissions into a Bachelor's Degree program with third year (junior) status at Point Park University on the condition that they: graduate from Montgomery County Community College with an Associate in Arts (A.A.) Degree, Associate in Science (A.S.) Degree, Associate in Fine Art (A.F.A.) Degree, or Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) Degree with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0; complete a "Dual Admissions Intent" form; and satisfy all other Point Park University transfer requirements. A full-time student admitted with third year (junior) status to Point Park University will be able to complete a Bachelor's degree in a parallel program at Point Park University within four regular semesters provided that the student completes the appropriate Associate Degree program at Montgomery County Community College and completes and appropriately sequences their remaining course work at Point Park University, while maintaining full time status.

In addition, Point Park University agrees to accept the general education courses embedded in the Montgomery County Community College A.A., A.S., A.F.A., and A.A.S. Degrees as meeting all the requirements of its undergraduate general education requirements. This Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement applies to all Montgomery County Community College Associate Degree graduates and is not limited to students who participate in the Dual Admissions Agreement.

This Dual Admissions and Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement becomes effective in 01/01/2025.

To facilitate the transfer of Montgomery County Community College graduates to Point Park University in accordance with the foregoing guarantee, the parties agree to the following:

**Obligations of Point Park University**

1. To attend regularly scheduled Partner Day and Evening Programs at Montgomery County Community College Central and West Campuses when applicable.
2. To provide Montgomery County Community College with "Dual Admissions Intent" forms and fact sheets to distribute upon request.
3. To invite Montgomery County Community College students who have completed a "Dual Admissions Intent" form to an informational/advising meeting(s) with faculty and staff at Point Park University in order to facilitate smooth curricular and co-curricular integration to Point Park University.
4. To send, within 30 days of receipt of the "Dual Admissions Intent" form, a Point Park University letter of admission to all Montgomery County Community College students who complete a "Dual Admissions Intent" form and meet the conditions set forth in the Preface. Students must confirm their intention to matriculate at Point Park University by 07/01 for the fall semester, and by 12/01 for the spring semester, and satisfy all other Point Park University transfer requirements. Montgomery County Community College

students who complete a “Dual Admissions Intent” form will be governed by the Point Park University degree requirements in effect at the time of signing the “Dual Admissions Intent” form.

5. To waive the application fee for students who apply to Point Park University pursuant to this Agreement.
6. For full-time, on-ground students meeting the conditions for acceptance, you will have guaranteed acceptance to the program you have chosen with a Merit Scholarship from \$12,000 to 18,000 a year. Plus, you will receive the Community College Success Grant for \$2,000 a year. Finally, if students are members of Phi Theta Kappa, they will receive an additional \$1,500 a year.
7. To ensure these students will be provided with Point Park University financial aid information and receive full consideration for Point Park University financial aid, in addition to the scholarships listed above, upon matriculation at Point Park University.
8. To support and accept a Core-to-Core Transfer Agreement that allows the Montgomery County Community College general education core for the A.A., A.S., A.F.A., and A.A.S. Degrees to fulfill all Point Park University core requirements. Core-to-Core Transfer does not alter the requirements of the student’s major field of study or its admissions standard as identified in the Point Park University catalog.
9. To ensure that all courses for which a passing grade A to C- was received will transfer to Point Park University.
10. To identify eligible Montgomery County Community College graduates enrolling at Point Park University upon admission to Point Park University and note that they have satisfied Point Park University core requirements by core-to-core transfer on all pertinent Point Park University student records.
11. To ensure that Montgomery County Community College graduates entering Point Park University under the terms of this Agreement will go through Point Park University transfer process and therefore must meet all applicable Point Park University requirements and deadlines pertaining to orientation and registration, and payment of tuition and fees. They will abide by the policies and procedures, and any revisions thereof, that apply to all Point Park University students.
12. To work with Montgomery County Community College on Program-to-Program Transfer Agreements and/or Guides that specify for Montgomery County Community College transfer students the Montgomery County Community College courses that satisfy major requirements for degree completion at Point Park University.
13. To ensure that Montgomery County Community College Dual Admissions students who matriculate at Point Park University have all of the rights and privileges of other Point Park University students.
14. To waive placement tests for Montgomery County Community College graduates.
15. To ensure that Dual Admissions students graduating in the Honors Program at Montgomery County Community College be admitted to the Honors Program at Point Park University. These students will have completed 18 credits in Honors, a requirement which will be noted on their Montgomery County Community College transcripts.

### **Obligations of Montgomery County Community College:**

1. To publicize this Agreement to prospective and current MCCC students in its promotional literature and make arrangements for Point Park University admissions representatives to visit MCCC 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 Point Park University once program-to-program curriculum sequences have been established.
3. MCCC, in accordance with the admission application policies and procedures of Point Park University, will coordinate the delivery of academic records and application materials to Point Park University. MCCC students who apply to Point Park University under the terms of this Agreement will be required to go through the standard Point Park University transfer admissions process, as developed by Point Park University and therefore must meet all applicable requirements and deadlines pertaining to admission to Point Park University.
4. To work with Point Park University on possible program-to-program transfer agreements and/or guides that specify for MCCC transfer students the courses that satisfy major requirements for Point Park University undergraduate degree programs.

### **Eligibility Requirements and Student Obligations**

MCCC 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. All credits earned in the A.A. and A.S. degree programs will be transferred to Point Park 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 Point Park University. If the student has not satisfied both (a) and (b), the student's courses will be evaluated individually, and only courses in which a C- or higher has been earned will be eligible for transfer into Point Park University.
2. A minimum of 40 three-credit courses are required to earn a Point Park University degree, at least 24 of 30 credits must be completed at Point Park University.
3. A student must complete all courses in the major at Point Park University.
4. Only credit is transferred. The grades for transfer courses are not calculated in the student's GPA at Point Park University. Once courses have been transferred, they become part of the student's permanent record and cannot be removed.
5. Students are required to sign a Dual Admissions Intent form before completion of their 30<sup>th</sup> college credit. The student will be required to complete a Point Park University application form prior to the intended start term, for which the application fee will be waived. Point Park University has a preferred deadline to apply for the fall semester of 12/01 and for the spring semester, 05/01.
6. Students should follow the established program-to-program course sequences developed between Point Park University and MCCC for the program they intend to enroll in at Point Park University. Students should confer each semester with a Point Park University transfer counselor to review degree progress and ensure appropriate courses are being completed.
7. MCCC graduates entering Point Park University under the terms of this agreement must go through Point Park University normal transfer admissions process and therefore must meet all Point Park University requirements and deadlines pertaining to application for admission, orientation and registration, and payment of tuition and fees.
8. The following items are required for a complete transfer application:
  - Application (no charge)
  - Official High School transcript
  - Official College transcript(s) from all institutions attended

### **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 Point Park University and Montgomery County Community College will review this Agreement annually and make any changes upon mutual agreement, as needed. Such changes will become effective when both Montgomery County Community College and Point Park University sign the revised document.
2. To collaborate in providing students with information and academic advising about this Agreement, Point Park University academic requirements, and the process of transferring to Point Park 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 will 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" form.
6. To facilitate and support consultation and collaboration between their faculties related to this agreement, general education, degree requirements, and other academic matters.
7. To provide direct links between Point Park University and Montgomery County Community College websites.
8. This agreement is subject to institutional compliance with all state, local, and federal laws as well as compliance with policies of the relevant regional accrediting body (MSCHE).
9. Neither Party shall make use of the other Party's trademarks, trade names, and service marks nor shall a Party advertise or publicize the Advance Standing Program externally without the other Party's prior written consent, which will not be unreasonably withheld.

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

The Point Park University Provost Office and the appropriate offices at Montgomery County Community College 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 01/01/2025. 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 hundred eighty (180) days 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 Point Park University under the terms of this Agreement.

The willingness of both institutions to enter this Agreement in order to facilitate the transfer of students from Montgomery County Community College into Point Park University, and to expand their opportunities for academic success there, is indicated by the following signatures:

The undersigned representatives of the parties, Montgomery County Community College and Point Park University have executed this Agreement on the dates indicated.

### Program-to-Program Articulation

MCCC Academic major	PPU Transfer Options
Business Administration	Business Administration
Criminal Justice	Criminal Justice
History	History
Liberal Studies	Liberal Studies
Human Services	Behavioral Sciences
Management	Business Administration
Psychology	Psychology
Organizational Leadership	Organizational Leadership
Sports Management	Sports, Arts, Entertainment Management


#### For Montgomery County Community College

Signed by:  
  
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 Dr. Chae Sweet  
 Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost

3/18/2025


Date

#### For Point Park University

  
 Dr. Shari Payne, PhD  
 Interim Provost

02/5/2025

Date

  
 Marlin Collingwood  
 Vice President for Enrollment Management

2.27.25

Date

2/4/2025