

**ADMISSION AGREEMENT BETWEEN
FREDERICK COMMUNITY COLLEGE
AND
GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY**

SECTION I: PURPOSE

George Mason University (Mason) will offer admission to Frederick Community College (FCC) students according to the terms of this Agreement. This Agreement facilitates and communicates a clear pathway for admission to FCC students who intend to graduate with an FCC associate degree and transfer directly to Mason to earn their baccalaureate degree. FCC Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS), Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT) degrees and select Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degrees (see Section III for details) are considered for this Agreement. Only those FCC students who meet all the terms of this Agreement will be guaranteed admission. Students who present strong academic records but do not meet the terms of this Agreement may be considered for regular transfer admission.

SECTION II: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Mason accepts transfer applications for the fall and spring semesters. Applicants should:

- **Apply by March 1 for fall admission.** Fall applicants are expected to graduate from FCC by May preceding their fall admission. (Summer graduates are not considered for subsequent fall admission to Mason).
- **Apply by October 1 for spring admission.** Spring applicants are expected to graduate from FCC by the December preceding their spring admission
- **Present a minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 2.85 upon application to Mason.**
- Complete the English and math general education core courses with grades of C or better before applying to Mason.
- Complete a minimum of 40 college-level credits toward the AA, AS, or AAT degree at FCC. (Note: If all credits are not completed at FCC by a graduating applicant, a 2.85 GPA is required on all prior college coursework).
- Provide the Mason Office of Admissions with a final FCC transcript reflecting the degree conferral date.

SECTION III: ADMISSION TO MAJOR

Under this agreement, FCC applicants are eligible for direct entry into *most* Mason undergraduate majors without additional requirements. Certain majors have selective admission requirements that may exceed those listed in Section II. These majors include:

College of Engineering and Computing (*Selective Admission Requirement)

- Applied Computer Science, BS
- Bioengineering, BS
- Civil and Infrastructure Engineering, BS
- Computer Engineering, BS
- Computer Science, BS
- Cyber Security Engineering, BS
- Electrical Engineering, BS
- Mechanical Engineering, BS
- Systems and Industrial Engineering, BS

*Admission to an engineering or computer science major is competitive. For direct admission to the major, Engineering applicants must have completed MATH 185 and 195 (or equivalent) with grades of A or B before applying to Mason. For direct admission to the major, Computer Science applicants must have completed MATH 185 and CMIS 201 (or equivalent) with grades of A or B before applying to Mason.

College of Visual and Performing Arts (Selective Admission Requirement*)

- Computer Game Design, BFA
- Dance, BFA
- Film and Video Studies, BA
- Music, BA
- Music, BM
- Theater, BA
- Theater, BFA

*Admission to a major within the College of Visual and Performing Arts is competitive. Applicants must successfully audition for Dance, Music and Theater. Applicants for Computer Game Design and Film and Video Studies must successfully pass a portfolio review.

Bachelor of Applied Science (Selective Admission Requirement*)

*Admission to the Bachelor of Applied Science major is competitive. The Cybersecurity Area of Concentration within STEM Technology AAS and the Business Management AAS programs at FCC are included in this Agreement. Students who are conferred these degrees and who meet all other terms of the Agreement are guaranteed admission to BAS Cybersecurity or BAS Managerial Leadership programs at Mason.

SECTION IV: PATRIOT TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP

FCC students applying under this admission agreement are automatically considered for a non-resident **Patriot Transfer Scholarship**. Students with cumulative grade point averages of 2.85-3.49 are considered for a \$10,000 annual award. Students with cumulative grade point averages of 3.5-4.00 are considered for a \$12,000 annual award. Recipients must be classified as non-residents of Virginia and maintain full-time enrollment at Mason each fall and spring semester. The scholarship is offered for 2 academic years. Students are required to maintain a minimum 2.75 GPA at Mason.

SECTION V: EXCLUSIONS TO THE ADMISSION AGREEMENT

- a. The Admissions Committee reserves the right to deny admission or the benefits of this Agreement to students who have been suspended, dismissed or expelled for academic or non-academic reasons from any college or university. Under this Agreement, admission is only offered to students who graduate from FCC and transfer directly to Mason. Students who attend other institutions after FCC may be considered for regular transfer admission.
- b. High school students who have earned an associate degree concurrent with high school graduation are not eligible for admission under the terms of this Agreement. Such students are considered freshman applicants with transfer credit.

SECTION VI: TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT

- This Agreement will go into effect for those FCC students entering Mason for the Fall 2025 semester. The initial term of the Agreement shall be for a period of five (5) years beginning with the Fall 2025 semester and end after the Spring 2031 semester. The Agreement shall automatically renew for successive one (1) year periods unless terminated by either party as set forth below.
- Either party may terminate this agreement before the end of the five-year term by providing written notice to the other party of an intention to terminate. Such notice will be effective only if given 120 days prior to the intended date of termination. If this Agreement is terminated, the terms of the Agreement contained herein will remain in effect for the maximum of 2 years. Mason agrees that transferring students partaking in the agreement will not be adversely impacted due to any premature termination.
- This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding of the Parties with respect to the subject matter herein and supersedes all prior oral or written Agreements with respect to the subject matter herein. **This Agreement may be amended, as needed, for specific program articulation without affecting the currency of the master Agreement.** All course-by-course transfer guides and transfer credit equivalency databases may be amended as needed. Any such amendments must be communicated between the institutions immediately
- All transfer students are subject to the enrollment and academic policies outlined in the George Mason University Catalog.
- Mason and FCC agree to share any transfer student data they have in support of this Agreement. These data include names and success information for FCC graduates participating and completing programs at Mason.

- Mason and FCC agree to formally review this Agreement together every three years. Each institution will designate an individual to serve as liaison for the purpose of monitoring and reviewing this Agreement. These individuals are:

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