# ADMISSION AGREEMENT BETWEEN SAN MATEO COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT AND GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY

## SECTION I: PURPOSE

George Mason University (Mason) will offer admission to San Mateo County Community College District (SMCCCD) students according to the terms of this Agreement. The purpose of this Agreement is to facilitate and communicate a clear pathway for admission to SMCCCD students who intend to graduate with a SMCCCD transfer degree and transfer directly to Mason to earn their baccalaureate degree. SMCCCD Associate of Arts-Transfer (AA-T) or Associate of Science-Transfer (AS-T) degrees are the only applicable transfer degree programs considered for this Agreement. Only those SMCCCD students who meet all of 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 in May. Summer
  graduates are not considered for fall admission.
- Apply by October 1 for spring admission. Spring applicants are expected to graduate in December.
- Present a minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 2.85 upon application to Mason.
- Complete ENGL 100 or 105 and ENGL 110 or 165 and one of the following MATH courses (MATH 125 or 145 or 200 or 241 or 251) with grades of C or better within the first 30 units at SMCCCD.
- Complete a minimum of 40 college level units toward the AA-T or AS-T degrees at SMCCCD.
- If all coursework for the transfer degree is not completed at SMCCCD, a 2.85 GPA is required on all prior college coursework.

## SECTION III: ADMISSION TO MAJOR

Under this Agreement San Mateo County Community College District applicants pursuing AA-T or AS-T degrees are eligible for direct entry into most majors at Mason. The exceptions are: Engineering and Computer Science, Nursing and Visual and Performing Arts. These programs have selective admission requirements that may exceed those listed in Section II.

#### SECTION IV: PATRIOT TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP

San Mateo County Community College District 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 each fall and spring semester. The scholarship is offered for 2 academic years. Students are required to maintain a minimum 2.75 Mason GPA.

# SECTION V: EXCLUSIONS TO THE ADMISSION AGREEMENT

- 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 nonacademic reasons from any college or university.
- Under this Agreement, admission is only offered to students who graduate from San Mateo
  County Community College District and transfer directly to Mason. Students who attend other
  institutions after SMCCCD may be considered for regular transfer admission.
- 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 San Mateo County Community College District students entering Mason for the fall 2020 semester. The Agreement will remain in effect until terminated by either party upon written notice to other party of an intention to terminate. Such notice will be effective only if given 120 days prior to the intended date of termination. In the event that this Agreement is terminated, the terms of the Agreement contained herein will remain in effect for the maximum of 2 years.
- 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.
- All transfer students are subject to the enrollment and academic policies outlined in the George Mason University Catalog.
- Mason and the SMCCCD agree to review this Agreement every three years. Each institution will
  designate an individual to serve as liaison for the purpose of monitoring this Agreement.
- The Institutional Research Offices at SMCCCD and Mason agree to share transfer student data in support of this Agreement.

SIGNATURES

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