

Emerson College

And

Raritan Valley Community College

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

This Articulation Agreement establishes guidelines and procedures for students wishing to transfer to Emerson College after completing an Associate of Arts degree from Raritan Valley Community College (hereinafter referred to as RVCC).

Raritan Valley Community College- NJ

Raritan Valley Community College was officially established on April 5, 1966, as Somerset County College, when a nine-member Board of Trustees was appointed. Classes began for the first 229 students on September 12, 1968 at the College's temporary home: Green Brook High School. In May 1970, the College's first commencement ceremony was held for 75 graduates.

A new era was born when the Hunterdon and Somerset County Freeholders approved co-sponsorship of the College. In July 1987 Somerset County College was renamed Raritan Valley Community College: the state's first bi-county college.

Ranked by WalletHub.com and Niche.com as the #1 community college in New Jersey, Raritan Valley Community College has been serving as an academic and cultural center for Somerset and Hunterdon County residents for over 50 years. The College has been nationally recognized for its service to the community, environmental stewardship, and commitment to diversity. It is home to a Planetarium, Science Education Institute and an Honors College for high achieving students.

The College offers more than 100 associate degrees and certificates, as well as career training, small business assistance through the Small Business Development Center, and professional development. RVCC is located at 118 Lamington Road in Branchburg, NJ.

Emerson College – Boston, Massachusetts

Emerson College is the only comprehensive college or university in America dedicated exclusively to communication and the arts in a liberal arts context. It is located in downtown Boston, at the gateway to the Theatre District and in close proximity to major media outlets. It also has facilities in Los Angeles and the Netherlands.

Emerson's mission is to inspire students to create and communicate with depth, honesty, courage, and passion, both as professionals in their fields and as informed and articulate participants in society.

Emerson College is committed to excellence in education for communication and the arts. Emerson College was founded on the study of oratory and the performing arts. Currently, Emerson's distinctive undergraduate curricula challenge students to think and express themselves with clarity, substance, and insight. Emerson is focused on instilling the highest professional standards through rigorous academic inquiry and experiential learning. Its specialized major and external programs are based in and integrated with the liberal arts and interdisciplinary study, and are informed by a set of core values: freedom of expression, diversity of perspective, cultural awareness, integrity, civility, and the responsibility of ethical choice.

Each year Emerson College awards the following undergraduate degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts and Bachelor of Science.

Articulation Agreement Provisions

- 1. To be admitted into Emerson College, RVCC students must submit application materials for evaluation to the Emerson College Admission office by posted deadlines, and meet the requirements for admission to Emerson College.**
- 2. Except for programs which require an artistic review, Emerson College will admit RVCC students who fulfill all of the following requirements:**
 - 3.0 cumulative GPA;**
 - Completed Associate of Arts degree.**
 - Completed courses at RVCC that align with Emerson's liberal arts curriculum**
- 3. Academic programs which require an artistic review:**
 - Comedic Arts (see Application Requirements section for additional details)**
 - Performing Arts (see Application Requirements section for additional details)**
- 4. Media Arts Production encourages students to submit a creative sample.**
- 5. RVCC students must meet the academic criteria as well as meet the creative standards required for admission by the Emerson College creative reviewers.**
- 6. This agreement will guarantee the complete transfer of credits for the equivalent Liberal Arts courses (as stated within this document) with a C grade or better from RVCC to Emerson College.**

7. RVCC applicants who are transferring their AA degree for evaluation are not required to submit ACT/SAT test scores. All credits in courses, as outlined in this agreement, with grades of a C or better will transfer for up to 64 credits.
8. While most Emerson College majors may be completed in four semesters, some majors may require extra semesters or summer course work.
9. Major specific courses will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis to determine if courses will fulfill requirements for major or minor programs. Emerson College will not accept English for Academic Purpose (EAP) or English as a Second Language (ESL) courses.

Application and Financial Aid Deadlines

<u>Application Round</u>	<u>Fall</u>	<u>Spring</u>
Priority/Scholarship	March 15	November 1
Rolling Decision	June 15	N/A
Financial Aid*	April 5	November 15

*Financial assistance deadlines may vary from year to year. Please find current deadlines [here](#).

The Undergraduate Admission Office offers multiple transfer scholarships. For eligibility requirements please visit our Financial Aid and Scholarships page.

Application Requirements

- Common Application for Transfer Admission or Emerson College Application and the Emerson College Writing Supplement.
- A \$65 application fee (this will be waived for RVCC students meeting Articulation Agreement Provision #2).
- Official, final secondary school transcript indicating proof of graduation or GED.
- Official transcript from each college or university attended.
- One Professor or Instructor Evaluation.
- International Students:
 - High School transcript and Proof of Graduation: If your secondary school is not accredited by the U.S. and does not issue U.S. diplomas, or you do not have national exam results showing completion of secondary school, you will need to submit your credentials translated. An evaluation of secondary school transcripts is not necessary.
 - College or University transcripts: If you are submitting a transcript from a college or university that is outside the U.S., please submit a course-by-course evaluation via a credentialing agency listed by the [National Association of Credential Evaluation Services](#).
 - Proof of English Proficiency: If you have completed at least three years of consecutive study (including a continuous combination of secondary or post-secondary instruction) at an institution that uses English as its primary language of instruction, then you should complete the Waiver for English Proficiency, which is accessible in your application portal after you have submitted your transfer application. If you

have not completed three consecutive years at a school with English instruction, you will need to take an English Proficiency exam. Approved tests for English Proficiency and minimum score requirements are listed on Emerson's website.

- Candidates for the Media Arts Production major are encouraged to submit a creative sample online through the Undergraduate Admission Application portal.
- Candidates for programs offered by the Department of Performing Arts must apply and complete a major-specific Artistic Review application.
 - The Department of Performing Arts will only consider transfer applications for September admission.
 - Transfer students to Performing Arts should plan to study at Emerson College for a minimum of three years, four years for BFA Musical Theatre or BFA Acting.
- Candidates for the Comedic Arts major are required to submit one creative sample that showcases their comedic voice/talent in the areas of writing, performance, or production. Comedic Arts candidates are limited to September admission and should have completed no more than 32 credits prior to matriculation at Emerson.
- Interdisciplinary Studies candidates should have completed no more than 48 credits prior to matriculation at Emerson.
- The Health and Social Change, Media Psychology and Global Portal Programs are not open to transfer students at this time.

Program Management and Reporting

So as to assure the admission and academic success of participating students, RVCC and Emerson College agree to develop, maintain and continuously improve a program management and report system.

Each institution shall:

- Publicize the Articulation Agreement among its students and faculty.
- List the agreement, as appropriate, in publications and websites of the institution.
- Share regular updates from their general college catalog and any other information which may be helpful in advising students.
- Provide timely information about significant changes in the program of study that relates to the preparation of participating students.

Termination/Modification

Program changes or modifications by either institution can be incorporated into this Agreement by written amendment, as agreed to by both parties. This agreement is effective at the beginning of the 2023-2024 academic year of both institutions, and shall remain in effect for each successive academic year unless otherwise canceled by either institution. This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon written notice to the other party given at least one full academic year in advance of such termination date.

If the agreement is canceled by either party, it will not affect students who have been accepted and enrolled into either the RVCC Associate in Arts or the Bachelor's program at Emerson College. However, students enrolled in the RVCC program must successfully complete the program requirements and exercise their right to transfer to Emerson College within two (2) years after the effective date of cancellation.

Authorizing Signatures

This Agreement between Raritan Valley Community College and Emerson College was accepted and approved by the participating entities on this _____, and it will be reviewed at least every two years and shall continue until such time that it is revoked in writing by either party.

The chief executive officers do hereby execute this Agreement by virtue of their signatures as affixed below.

Raritan Valley Community College

Emerson College

 4/18/23

Dr. Karen Bearce Date

Provost/VP of Academic Affairs

 8/24/23

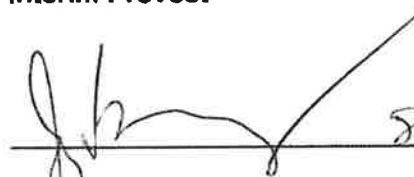
Jan Roberts-Breslin Date

Interim Provost

 4.18.23

Dr. Michael J. McDonough Date

President

 8/30/23

Jay Bernhardt Date

President

Raritan Valley Liberal Arts Associates of Arts		Emergen College equivalencies
English Composition 1	Take ENGL 111	WR 101 Intro to College Writing
Social Science	Choose from: ANTH 101, ANTH 102, ECON 101, ECON 102, GEOG 102, PSYCH 103, SOCI 101	Social & Psychological Perspective
Mathematics	Take any course in Mathematics	Quantitative Reasoning
Studio Arts	Take any course in ARTS, MUSC, DANC, or THEA	Elective
Foreign Language	Take any course in Humanities-Foreign Language EXCEPT FREN 212	World Language
English Composition 2	Take ENGL 112	WR 121 Research Writing
Social Science	Choose from: ANTH 101, ANTH 102, ECON 101, ECON 102, GEOG 102, PSYCH 103, SOCI 101	Elective
Communication	Take COMM 101 Speech	CC 100
Foreign Language	Take any course in Humanities-Foreign Language EXCEPT FREN 212	World Language
Free Elective		Elective (possible major course/Exploration)
Science with Lab (4 cr)	Take any course in Science	Scientific Perspective
History	Take any course in Humanities-History	Historical Perspective
English Literature	Choose from: ENGL 201, ENGL 221, ENGL 222, ENGL 231, ENGL 235, ENGL 236	Literary Perspective
Free Elective		Elective (possible major course/Exploration)
Technological Competency (2 cr)	Take COMM 125	Elective
Math or Science	Take any course in Mathematics or Science	Elective
History	Take any course in Humanities-History	Elective
Appreciation of the Arts	Take any Humanities-Appreciation of the Arts EXCEPT FILM 101 or FILM 122	Aesthetic Perspective
Humanities	Choose from: PHIL 101, PHIL 105, PHIL 106, PHIL 114, PHIL 191, PHIL 215	Ethics and Values Perspective
Global and Cultural Awareness	See tab for course listing	US or Global Diversity

Raritan Course	Emerson Diversity Perspective
ANTH 110 Intro to Native North Americans	US Diversity
ANTH 202/ENGL 207/HIST 204 Global Patterns of Racism	Global Diversity
ARTH 208 Art Beyond the Western World	Global Diversity
COMM 201 Intercultural Communication	Global Diversity
DANC 121 or 121H World Dance History	Global Diversity
ENGL 214 Race in American Literature	US Diversity
ENGL 215 LGBT Literature	US Diversity
ENGL 223 Ethnic Writers in America	US Diversity
ENGL 231 African American Literature	US Diversity
ENGL 290 Women in Literature	US Diversity
FREN 211 Survey of French Culture	Global Diversity
GEOG 150 Global Visions	Global Diversity
HIST 191 African-American History	US Diversity
HIST 212 Asian Civilization	Global Diversity
HIST 239 Modern Latin American History	Global Diversity
HIST 250 History of Women in the US	US Diversity
HMNS Intro to Disabilities	US Diversity
INTD Introduction to Global Studies	Global Diversity
MUSC 107 Introduction to World Music	Global Diversity
PHIL 105 World Religions	Global Diversity
PHIL 191 Intro to Africana Thought and Philosophy	US Diversity
PHIL 210 Feminist Philosophy	US Diversity
PSYC 203 Psychology of Women and Gender	US Diversity
SOCI 231 American Minority Relations	US Diversity
SPAN 211 Survey of Spanish Culture	Global Diversity
WGST Intro to Women and Gender Studies	US Diversity