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THE SCHOOL OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO (SAIC)  
ARTICULATION AGREEMENT  
WITH  
RARITAN VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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The School of the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC) and Raritan Valley Community College enters into this agreement on September 20, 2013.

Whereas The School of the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC) and Raritan Valley Community College wish to document an articulation agreement effective Fall 2013.

Whereas the primary objective of this agreement is to establish a more transparent and comprehensive educational pathway for students from Raritan Valley Community College who are interested in completing their Bachelors of Fine Arts degree at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

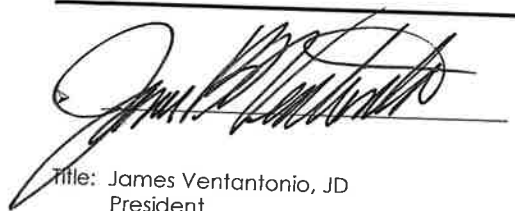
Whereas, both institutions share a commitment to the perpetuation of the visual arts through the intellectual and artistic growth of our students and the work that they produce.

Now, therefore, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. Raritan Valley Community College students wishing to apply for admission to SAIC under the terms of this agreement must successfully meet the minimum academic requirements and studio criteria in order to be admitted to SAIC's Bachelor of Fine Arts program. Raritan Valley Community College students must comply with all SAIC application requirements, including, but not limited to, adhering to applicable deadlines.
2. SAIC will publish via print and electronic means this academic relationship with Raritan Valley Community College, as well as the articulation matrix between our colleges.
3. An SAIC representative will make an annual scheduled campus visit to Raritan Valley Community College and present and distribute curricular information to interested students, faculty and staff, review student portfolios and provide institutional updates.
4. Raritan Valley Community College will recommend that qualified and currently enrolled students from Raritan Valley Community College who intend to complete a baccalaureate degree in the visual or related arts consider SAIC as an educational option. SAIC will advise prospective students interested in SAIC, who need additional studio and/ or academic development or wish to enter SAIC as an advanced standing student, of the option of Raritan Valley Community College.
5. Currently, this Articulation Agreement and accompanied matrix specifically addresses SAIC's Bachelor of Fine Art curricular degree track. In general, students transferring from Raritan Valley Community College during the academic year of 2013-2014 will be eligible for SAIC's maximum allowance for transferring credits. SAIC will evaluate only courses completed with grades of "C" or better at Raritan Valley Community College for transfer credit consideration. The maximum total amount of credits that can be transferred is 66. The maximum studio credit limit is 30.
6. Course work that does not meet college level entrance criteria, such as English as a Second Language, Writing Strategies and other academic access-based courses required for students at Raritan Valley Community College will not be awarded SAIC credit. SAIC also does not transfer credits in Health, Nutrition or Physical Education.
7. International applicants are required to meet SAIC's minimum TOEFL iBT; for the 2013-14 academic year, the requirement is equal or greater than 82. The successful completion of college-level English or other Liberal Arts course work at Raritan Valley Community College does not waive this admission requirement.
8. SAIC studio evaluation via portfolio is required for the transfer of studio credit and placement in the departments of Fashion Design, Visual Communication Design, Architecture, Interior Architecture and Designed Objects (AIADO), Film, Video, New Media and Animation (FVNMA) and Photography. Portfolio content should be media specific for the optimal transfer of studio credit and advanced placement.
9. SAIC will provide individual counseling and preliminary credit evaluations for all prospective students from Raritan Valley Community College who are considering enrollment at SAIC.
10. Raritan Valley Community College will encourage its students to complete the Associate in Fine Arts to increase the opportunity of admission to SAIC as an advanced standing student. However, successful completion of one, full-time (12 - 15 credit units) semester at Raritan Valley Community College by a student who is subsequently admitted to SAIC will also result in an absolute waiver of SAIC's Freshman studio course work through SAIC's Contemporary Practices Program.

- 11. Students who transfer in with less than 12 credit hours in studio will be required to enroll in Research Studio for Transfer Students during their first semester at SAIC.
- 12. Designated Representative. Each party shall designate a representative who will be the contact point for various decisions as set forth herein. The "Raritan Valley Community College Designated Representative" is Paul T. Michaud, Director of Transfer & Career Services, tel: 908-526-1200 ext. 8333, fax: 908-393-8104, email: [pmichaud@raritanval.edu](mailto:pmichaud@raritanval.edu). The "SAIC Designated Representative" is Larry Lee, Associate Director of Undergraduate Admissions, tel: 312-629-6104, fax: 312-629-6101, email: [llee2@saic.edu](mailto:llee2@saic.edu). The Designated Representatives will annually (or biennially) review this Articulation Agreement. Each Designated Representative agrees to notify the other Designated Representative of any curricular or program changes at its institution.
- 13. This Articulation Agreement sets forth the entire understanding of the parties hereto and supersedes all prior agreement, whether written or oral, regarding the subject matter hereof. This Articulation Agreement may not be amended or modified except in a writing signed by each of the parties hereto. Neither party shall assign this Articulation Agreement or its rights and duties hereunder, or any interest herein, without prior written consent of the other party.

SIGNATURES

  
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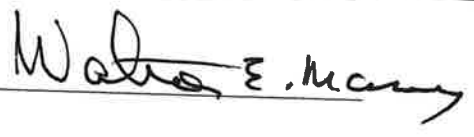
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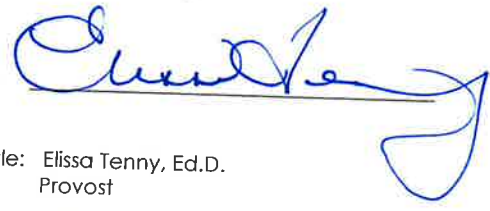
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