

## Handout from GLACRAO Conference-Indianapolis, IN (November 6-8, 2013)

### **CURRENT MACRAO TRANSFER AGREEMENT**

A minimum of 30 semester hours of coursework must be taken at one of Michigan's participating community colleges.

The courses needed to satisfy the MACRAO requirements are as follows:

English Composition. . . . 6 credit hours

Science and Math. . . . 8 credit hours Courses must be taken from a minimum of two subject areas. At least one science course must include a laboratory.

Social Science. . . . 8 credit hours Courses must be taken from a minimum of two subject areas.

Humanities. . . . 8 credit hours Courses must be taken from a minimum of two subject areas.

*Editorial Note: the student must have an average of 2.0 in all courses. The proposed agreement is at least a 2.0 in every course.*

### **NEW MICHIGAN TRANSFER AGREEMENT**

Recommendations for the newly named Michigan Transfer Agreement:

To fulfill the Michigan Transfer Agreement, students must successfully complete at least 30 credits, with at least a 2.0 in each course. These credits, which will be certified by a Michigan community college, should be met according to the following distribution:

- 1 course in English Composition
- A second course in English Composition or 1 course in Communications
- 1 course in Mathematics
- 2 courses in Social Sciences (from two disciplines)
- 2 courses in Humanities and Fine Arts (from two disciplines and excluding studio and performance classes)
- 2 courses in Natural Sciences including one with laboratory experience (from two disciplines)

*Editorial Note: if these courses do not add up to 30 hours then the student must take an additional course from one of these groups.*

### **A history of how this started:**

In 2012 the Michigan legislature included boilerplate language in the community college appropriations bill that focused on improving the transferability of core college courses by revising the current Michigan Association of Collegiate Registrars & Admissions Officers (MACRAO) agreement. The language created a committee that included 5 community colleges representatives, five individuals from the public universities, and four legislators (two from each chamber). The legislation also required an interim report in March 2013 and a final report in September 2013.

### **Committee members**

#### *Community college representatives:*

Amy Fugate - Vice President, Academic Affairs, Mott Community College  
Ana Gaillat - Dean of Teaching and Learning, Glen Oaks Community College  
Laurie Kattuah-Snyder - Associate Dean of Advising and Partnerships, Schoolcraft College  
Donna Petras - Dean, University Relations, Macomb Community College  
Paula Welmers - Counselor - Student Services, North Central Michigan College

#### *University representatives:*

Pat Cygnar - Director of Community Relations, Eastern Michigan University  
David Johnson – Manager, Undergraduate Degree Programs, Central Michigan University  
Steve Shablin - Registrar, Oakland University  
Linda Stanford - Associate Provost for Academic Services, Michigan State University  
Christopher Tremblay - Associate Provost for Enrollment Management, Western Michigan University

#### *Other participants:*

Mike Hansen, Michigan Community College Association  
Chris Baldwin, Michigan Community College Association  
Erin Schor, Michigan Community College Association  
Jenny Schanker, Michigan Community College Association  
Mike Boulus, Presidents Council, State Universities of Michigan  
Patty Farrell-Cole, Presidents Council, State Universities of Michigan  
Karen Hutslar – Registrar, Central Michigan University & MACRAO representative  
John Meldrum – Asst. Dean/Registrar, Sacred Heart Major Seminary & MACRAO representative

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Where are we now:

An implementation committee has been formed to work on the following:

- Update the MACRAO Transfer Articulation Handbook
- Develop a communication plan
- MTA time frame
- Sunset for the MACRAO Agreement
- Develop Definitions

The current committee members are as follows:

**Carrie Jeffers** - Director/Registrar, Enrollment Services, Macomb Community College & MACRAO President

**John Meldrum** - Assistant Dean of Studies, Registrar & Director of Institutional Research, Sacred Heart Major Seminary & MACRAO President-elect

**Chris Baldwin** - Executive Director, Michigan Center for Student Success, Michigan Community College Association.

**Lee Cruppenink** – Assistant Director of Admissions, University of Michigan - Flint

**Patty Farrell-Cole** – Director, University Outreach & Policy Research, Presidents Council, State Universities of Michigan (PCSUM)

**Amy Fugate** - Vice President, Academic Affairs, Mott Community College

**Karen Hutslar** – Registrar, Central Michigan University

**Diane Patrick** – Associate Dean of Student Affairs/Registrar, Grand Rapids Community College

**Carol Taberski** – Registrar, Northwestern Michigan College

**Tricia Westergaard** – Senior Associate Registrar, Oakland University