McHenry County College Partnership Agreements

McHenry County College develops partnership agreements with four-year schools to help MCC graduates move smoothly to the baccalaureate level. The partnerships provide for special opportunities ranging from program-to-program articulation agreements to scholarship opportunities.

MCC not only seeks partnership opportunities for transfer programs, but also with baccalaureate institutions that are willing to accommodate the needs of students working toward Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degrees. The AAS degree is not designed for transfer, but many students working toward the AAS degree find the desire or the need to continue their academic studies in order to reach their career goals.

Many of the partnerships listed below apply to AAS degrees and include course equivalency or transfer guides. In addition, MCC partners with many institutions to develop course equivalency, general, and major-specific guides for our transfer programs (AA, AS, AES and AFA degrees). Over 200 transfer guides with approximately 45 different colleges and universities are monitored and maintained.

Following is a brief summary of partnerships. Please go to links for detailed and up-to-date information.

**Illinois Public Universities**

**Eastern Illinois University**
- **Guaranteed Admission Agreement** – Guarantees admission into the University to qualified students who meet GPA and other prescribed requirements
- **AA to BS in Geography**
- **AFA in Music to Bachelor of Music** – Teacher Licensure Instrumental Concentration
- **AFA in Music to Bachelor of Music** – Teacher Licensure Vocal Concentration

**Illinois State University**
- **Redbird Promise** offers Illinois community college students guaranteed admission to Illinois State University to complete their Bachelor’s degree. The agreement provides students with a peace of mind knowing they will be guaranteed admission and have a seamless transfer to ISU and the ability to work closely with ISU admissions counselors and academic advisors to help navigate the transfer process. With Redbird Promise, students must meet all current admissions standards, policies, and procedures of ISU at the time of admission. Specific requirements include:
  - Complete the **Redbird Promise Participation Form**. This form will allow Illinois State and MCC to share information and allows student to take advantage of Redbird Promise.
  - Complete AA or AS degree prior to Illinois State enrollment.
  - Achieve a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.4/4.0 in all transferable academic coursework (at all colleges/universities attended) and be in good academic standing.
- **Guaranteed Admission to Elementary Education**
  - Completion of Associate in Arts or Associate in Science (with IAI GECC noted on transcript)
  - Minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA
  - ACT/SAT/TAP strongly recommended prior to transfer
  - Completion of coursework on transfer guide completed prior to transfer
  - Apply to ISU during Preferred Filing Period
Northeastern Illinois University
Guaranteed Admission Agreement
The Guaranteed Admission Agreement allows admission to both MCC and NEIU while enrolled at MCC. Under the agreement, students have full access to NEIU’s offices of Enrollment Services, Academic Advising, Library, and Financial Aid while enrolled at MCC. Students must maintain continuous full-time or part-time enrollment at MCC with a 2.0 grade point average to remain eligible for the dual admission program. For guaranteed admission, some programs require a higher GPA and unique admission requirements.

Northern Illinois University
- Guaranteed Admission Agreement
  Provides MCC students with the opportunity for guaranteed admission into baccalaureate programs, excluding Limited Admission programs. Application fee waived and guaranteed admission into University Honors Programs with minimum 3.2 GPA.
- Business Dual Degree Program (AA to BS in Business Administration; evening/weekend at Hoffman Estates campus; guaranteed admission)
- Reverse Transfer Agreement - The agreement allows eligible NIU students who transferred from MCC without associate degrees to earn the two-year degree using credit from NIU courses.
- Program Articulation Agreements
  - AAS in Emergency Medical Technician to BS in Health Science
  - AAS in Fire Science to BS in Health Science
  - AAS in Health Fitness Education to BS in Health Science
  - AAS in Health Information Technology to BS in Health Science
  - AAS in Nursing to BS in Nursing
  - AAS in Occupational Therapy Assistant to BS in Health Science
  - AAS in Physical Therapy Assistant to BS in Health Science
  - AAS in Physical Therapy Assistant to BS in Health Science (DPT prereqs included)
  - AAS in a Technology related program to BS in Applied Manufacturing Management

Southern Illinois University Carbondale
- Dual Admission Program (early enrollment, SIUC advisement, transfer plan, semester updates, not formally signed agreement)
- Guaranteed Admission Agreement
  Provides MCC students with the opportunity for guaranteed admission to the University and academic advisement from both MCC academic advisors and SIUC transfer personnel.
- Program Articulation Agreements
  - AA to BS in Elementary Education
  - AA to BS in Special Education
  - AES to BS degrees in Civil Engineering, Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, and Mining Engineering
  - AAS to BS in Technical Resource Management
  - AAS in Automotive Technology to BS in Automotive Technology
  - AAS in Business Management to BS in Health Care Management
  - AAS in Culinary Management to BS in Hospitality and Tourism Administration
  - AAS in Emergency Medical Technology–Paramedic to BS in Public Safety Management
  - AAS in Engineering Technology to BS in Technology w/emphasis in Applied Manufacturing Technology
  - AAS in Fire Science to BS in Public Safety Management
  - AAS in Health & Fitness Instruction to BS in Health Care Management
  - AAS in Horticulture to BS in Horticulture: Production Horticulture Specialization
  - AAS in Manufacturing Management to BS in Technology w/emphasis in Applied Manufacturing Technology
  - AAS on Occupational Therapy Assistant to BS in Health Care Management
University of Illinois Chicago

Transfer Admission Guaranteed (TAG) - Guaranteed admission to a UIC participating baccalaureate degree program for students meeting academic criteria. Participating baccalaureate programs include the following:

- College of Architecture, Design, and The Arts: BA in Architectural Studies, BA in Art History, BFA in Art
- College of Business Administration: all majors
- College Engineering: all majors
- College of Liberal Arts & Sciences: all majors
- College of Public Health: BA in Public Health
- College of Urban Planning & Public Affairs: all majors

University of Illinois Springfield

- Joint Agreement (UIS admission application fee waived, assigned UIS advisor and degree plan)

University of Illinois Urbana/Champaign

- College of Agriculture, Consumer and Environmental Science (ACES) – guarantees admission to students who complete prescribed Transfer Agreement Program at MCC and submits required application and supporting documentation
- Engineering Pathways – High schools seniors planning to enroll for the first time at McHenry County College are eligible to apply. Guarantees admission into the College of Engineering to qualified students who meet GPA and prescribed course requirements.

Western Illinois University

- AAS in Fire Science to Bachelor of Arts in General Studies degree with minor in Fire Administration and Certificate of Graduation through the National Fire Academy in Fire Administration and Management or Fire Prevention Technology (80 credits can be completed through MCC)
- AA, AS and AAS degrees to Bachelor of Arts in General Studies (80 credits can be completed through MCC)
- AA to BA in (Studio) Art Option – 2+2 agreement
- AFA in Art to BFA in Art (Studio option) – 2+2 agreement
- AA to BA in Graphic Design option – 2+2 agreement

Illinois Private Colleges and Universities

Chamberlain College Nursing
RN to BSN Articulation Agreement – Program articulation; MCC employees and graduates receive a special tuition rate charged at 90% of prevailing rate.

Columbia College Chicago

- AFA in Art to BFA
- AAS in Graphic Arts to BFA in Graphic Design

Columbia College Missouri (Crystal Lake Site)

- General education requirements satisfied with AA or AS degree
- AAS in Manufacturing Management to BS in Business Administration
- AAS in Nursing to BS in Nursing

DePaul University

- DePaul Admission Partnership Program (DAPP) (Guaranteed admission, DePaul advisor, locked in degree requirements, scholarship opportunity)
Illinois Institute of Technology
- Guaranteed admission to first-choice major upon meeting specified criteria:
  - Must be in good standing at colleges previously attended.
  - Typically, students with As and Bs in technical coursework required by major and an overall 3.0 GPA are considered for TR-GAP. Transcripts from all colleges attended are required.
  - Completion of at least 30 transferable semester credits prior to applying through TR-GAP required.
- Guidance from IIT advisor and transfer tools

Lake Forest College
- Guaranteed admission to Lake Forest College and more than 40 undergraduate degree programs for students meeting academic criteria. Exceptions are Lake Forest College’s accelerated dual-degree and three-year program options. Following are among the benefits:
  - Students will meet with a Lake Forest College faculty advisor during their time in the program.
  - Students will meet with an assigned Career Advancement Center advisor at least once during their time in the program.
- Pathway Humanities Scholars
  - Minimum 3.0 GPA
  - Completed Associate in Arts degree or 60 transferrable semester hours from MCC
  - Academic areas of focus: American studies, studio art, art history, Asian studies, English, French, Spanish, history, music, philosophy, religion, theater, and Latin American studies.
  - Guaranteed scholarship of $20,000 and guaranteed internship during time at Lake Forest College; PTK students receive $25,000
- Pathway Business Scholars
  - Minimum 3.25 GPA
  - Completed Associate in Arts degree or 60 transferrable semester hours from MCC
  - Must complete a prescribed
  - Guaranteed scholarship of $20,000 and guaranteed internship during time at Lake Forest College; PTK students receive $25,000

National Louis University
Global Articulation Agreement
- AAS in Criminal Justice (Law Enforcement Security option) to BA in Criminal Justice
- AAS in Business Management to BS in Management
- AAS in Computer Information Systems to BS in Management Information Systems
- AAS in Health and Fitness Education (Instruction option) to BS in Health Care Leadership
- AAS in Manufacturing Management to BS in Management
- AAS in Occupational Therapy Assistant to BS in Health Care Leadership

Olivet Nazarene University
Partnership Agreement, RN to BSN, articulation, MCC ADN graduates enrolled in Olivet Nazarene University’s RN to BSN program will qualify for a 20% tuition discount per credit hour.

Rockford University
Compact Agreement (general education requirements satisfied; applies to students who complete an AA or an AS degree under MCC catalog requirements dating from 1989.)

Roosevelt University
- Dual Degree Partnership Program, Guaranteed Admission (Guaranteed admission, Roosevelt advisor, locked in degree requirements, scholarship opportunities)
- Pharmacy Partners Program - AS to Pharmacy Program Articulation Agreement
- AAS in Culinary Management go BS in Hospitality and Tourism Management
**St. Anthony College of Nursing**
Articulation Agreement - Course articulation for BSN program

**Saint Xavier University**
RN to BSN guaranteed admission and program articulation

**School of the Art Institute of Chicago**
Articulation and Guaranteed Admission Agreement – Course articulation for BFA programs, includes AFA to BFA 2+2 agreement

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**Out-of-State College and Universities**

**Arizona State University**
Guaranteed Admission Agreement - Guarantees admission into the University to qualified students who meet GPA and other prescribed requirements. Benefits include:
- ASU tools and guidance on which courses to take while attending MCC
- Acceptance of the completed Illinois Transferrable General Education Core Curriculum (IAI GECC) as satisfying the ASU lower-division general studies requirements
- Ability to transfer to ASU in the fall or spring semester
- Classes at ASU available during the semester you need them — no impacted programs
- Catalog year will remain the year the participation form is signed rather than the year you are admitted to ASU

**Franklin University**
Articulated courses and program guides (Franklin online programs)

**Marquette University**
Guaranteed Admission Program (GAP)
Provides MCC students with the opportunity for guaranteed admission to specific programs in the College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business Administration, College of Communication, College of Engineering, College of Health Sciences, and College of Education (see link for specific programs and requirements). Students receive advisement from both MCC academic advisors and Marquette transfer support.
- Submit the Guaranteed Admission Program Participation Form prior to or at the same time as the Marquette University admission application.
- Earn a minimum of 2.75 GPA for all coursework; no courses with less than C grade accepted. Majors in the College of Business, College of Engineering, and College of Health Sciences require a minimum 3.0 GPA and specific courses with grade requirements completed prior to transfer.
- Must enroll for admission into intended Marquette degree program within three years of initial enrollment in the Guaranteed Admission Program. A maximum of 60 credits will apply toward baccalaureate degree (or half Marquette degree).
University of Iowa
- Compact Agreement - AA degree graduates from Illinois public community colleges meet all of the General Education Program requirements in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Tippie College of Business, College of Education, and University College with the exception of:
  - The respective World Language requirement for each UI college
  - Diversity and Inclusion requirement for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Guaranteed Admission with College of Liberal Arts and Sciences - Students with an AA degree from MCC, along with a minimum 60 semester hours of courses acceptable for transfer and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on all graded arts and sciences courses acceptable for transfer, will be admitted to the University of Iowa College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. This does not apply to each major in the liberal arts and sciences. Some majors have specific course prerequisites, GPA, and competitive admission requirements. In addition, it does not include other colleges: Education, Tippie College of Business, Engineering, Nursing, Carver College of Medicine, and Pharmacy.

University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee
Guaranteed Admission Agreement
Provides MCC students with the opportunity for guaranteed admission to the University and academic advisement from both MCC and UWW academic advisors.
- Submit the Guaranteed Admission Program Participation form prior to or at the same time as the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee admission application.
- Earn a minimum of 2.0 GPA for all coursework. Some majors require a higher GPA; arts programs have an additional application process to be considered.
- Must enroll and complete general education and coursework required for admission into intended UWM degree program within three years of initial enrollment in the Guaranteed Admission program. A maximum of 72 credits will apply toward baccalaureate degree

University of Wisconsin – Platteville
Tri-State Initiative – Provides discounted tuition rate for students from Illinois. Eligible students save on out-of-state tuition, making UW Platteville more affordable.

University of Wisconsin – Whitewater
- Guaranteed Admission Agreement
  Provides MCC students with the opportunity for guaranteed admission to the University and academic advisement from both MCC academic advisors and UWW transfer personnel.
  - Submit the Declaration of Intent to Participate form prior to earning 30 credits at MCC.
  - Complete an MCC Associate in Arts (AA) or Associate in Science (AS).
  - Earn a minimum of 2.0 GPA for all coursework. UWW computes GPA based on all transferable coursework at MCC, at other institutions, and includes developmental work.
  - Requirements of agreement must be completed within five academic years from the time of enrollment in an AA or AS at MCC.
Additional Agreements

Major-related transfer guides developed using articulated coursework
Over 200 course equivalency tables and major-specific transfer guides showing articulated coursework with approximately 45 colleges and universities are maintained and available through MCC’s website. The guides are reviewed and updated with assistance from partnering institutions, and additional guides are added on an ongoing basis.

Compact Agreement with 10 Illinois public universities
Students who transfer with an AA degree will be considered to have university-wide general education complete: Chicago State University, Eastern Illinois University, Governors State University, Illinois State University, Northeastern Illinois University, Northern Illinois University, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, University of Illinois Springfield, Western Illinois University

Illinois Articulation Agreement (IAI)
The IAI is a statewide agreement and a system for articulating courses and programs. It includes a package of general education courses that transfers among participating colleges and universities. All Illinois community colleges and all public universities participate. Over 40 private schools voluntarily participate.

MyCreditsTransfer (Transferology)
MyCreditsTransfer is a statewide initiative designed to facilitate transfer within Illinois using the nationally available tool, Transferology. With Transferology, students can find how courses transfer between institutions, how courses satisfy degree requirements and majors offered.

Joint Agreements
Joint agreements are partnerships between two community colleges and allow students desiring a career and technical education degree or certificate program not offered at one school to complete the degree or certificate at the partner school at in-district rates. MCC belongs to a consortium, Comprehensive Agreement Regarding the Expansion of Education Resources (CAREER), which currently includes Illinois community colleges.