

**ARTICULATION AGREEMENT**  
**Between**  
**Penn State University Berks-Lehigh Valley College**  
**and**  
**Reading Area Community College**

Penn State University through the Berks-Lehigh Valley College (PSU-BKLV) and Reading Area Community College (RACC) sets forth the conditions upon which PSU-BKLV will consider graduates of the Associate in Arts, Communications Transfer Program at RACC for admission into BKLV's Bachelor of Arts in Professional Writing program.

**Rationale for the Purpose of the Articulation Agreement:**

This agreement applies only to the A.A. Communications Transfer Program that is currently constituted and delivered at RACC and the Bachelor of Arts in Professional Writing Program that is currently constituted and delivered at PSU-BKLV as of the 2004-2005 academic year. The purpose of this agreement is to make available to degree students at RACC the opportunity to pursue a baccalaureate degree at PSU-BKLV.

**Description of How the Articulation Agreement May be Renewed or Terminated:**

- 1) RACC agrees to promptly notify PSU-BKLV of any substantive curricular modification to the A.A. Communications Transfer Program, and further agrees that the terms of this agreement will no longer hold unless PSU-BKLV provides a written approval that the curricular changes do not alter the intent of the agreement.
- 2) PSU- BKLV agrees to provide RACC with information about the Bachelor of Arts in Professional Writing degree and any changes of the curriculum, should they occur. Conditions for admission into the Bachelor of Arts in Professional Writing degree are stipulated in this document.
- 3) The terms of the agreement shall remain in effect, except as stipulated in certain previous terms as listed herein, until terminated by either party. Any party may terminate the agreement with or without cause, on the provision of 120 days written notice to the other parties.

**Admission Requirements and Transfer of Academic Credits:**

- 1) All RACC students in the A.A. Communications Transfer Program must complete the PSU admissions process, including but not limited to the following procedures: filling out a regular PSU admissions application, paying the application fee, and providing all official transcripts from secondary and post secondary institutions.
- 2) PSU agrees that graduates of the A.A. Communications Transfer Program meet the admission standards of the Bachelor of Arts in Professional Writing degree given that they satisfy the following conditions:
  - a. Applicants must have at least a 2.0 grade point average (GPA).
  - b. Successful completion of Associate degree and a minimum of 60 transferable credits. All courses must have grade of "C" or better.
  - c. Students must conform to PSU standards and expectations for appropriate behavior and academic integrity.

- d. Transferable courses pertain to those courses listed below.
- e. The following RACC courses will fulfill general education requirements, B.A. requirements, electives, and requirements in the major for the Bachelor of Arts in Professional Writing.

**RACC CURRICULUM: TRANSFERABLE CREDITS FOR TRANSFER TO B.A. IN PROFESSIONAL WRITING**

*RACC GENERAL EDUCATION (32 Cr)*

<b>RACC GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM, ASSOCIATE OF ARTS</b>	<b>RACC COURSES</b>	<b>PENN STATE COURSES</b>	<b>CREDITS TRANSFER-ABLE TO PENN STATE</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDITS NEEDED FOR B.A IN PROF WRITING AT PENN STATE</b>
<b>Communications (6 credits)</b>		<b>Writing &amp; Speaking (GWS)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9 (see General Education Electives (3 credits below for additional 3 cr.</b>
Select one course:	Com 121 English Composition <b>or</b> Com 122 English Composition (Honors)	English 15	3	3
Select one course:	Com 131 Composition & Literature <b>or</b> Com 132 Composition & Literature (Honors)	English 202B	3	3
<b>Humanities (6 credits)</b>		<b>Gen Ed Humanities (GH)/Gen Ed Arts (GA)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6 GH 6 GA</b>
<b>Note:</b> Literature courses will not transfer to Penn State as general education (GH).	Hum 271 Intro to Philosophy Hum 276 Ethics (Honors) Hum 111 Introduction to Drawing Hum 121 Painting Hum 201 Art Appreciation Hum 210 Multi-Cultural Aspects Art Hum 221 Music Appreciation Hum 261 History of Film Hum 275 Introduction to Ethics	Phil 001  Phil (general)  Art 020  Art (general) Art Hist 100  Art (general)  Music 005  Comm (General)  Phil 001	6	

<b>Mathematics (3-4 credits)</b>			<b>3-4</b>	<b>6</b>
Select one course:  <b>Note:</b> Penn State requires Mat 160 unless the student has completed three academic years/units in high school.	Mat 150 Foundations of Mathematics Mat 160 College Algebra Mat 165 Trigonometry	Math (general) Math 021 Math 026	3-4	
<b>Social Sciences (6 credits)</b>		<b>General Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS)/ General Ed Humanities (GH)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>
Choose one course:	Ant 140 Cultural Anthropology Pos 130 American Gov. Psy 130 General Psychology Soc 125 The Individual & Society Soc 130 Sociology	Anth 045 (US;IL)*  Plsc 001 Psy 002  Soc (general)  Soc 001	3	3
Choose one course:	Bus 200 Bus 201 Microeconomics Ant 135 Ant 140 His 110 U.S. Hist I His 115 U.S. Hist II His 120 Western Civ. To 1600 His 125 Western Civ. To 1600-1945 His 130 American Government Pos 130 Pos 135 State & Local Government Psy 120 Interpersonal Relations & Commun Psy 130 Soc 125 The Individual & Society Soc 130 Sociology	Econ 004 Econ 002  Anth 021 Anth 045 Hist 020 Hist 021 Hist 001  Hist 002  Hist (general)  Plsc 001 Plsc (general)  Psy (general)  Psy 002 Soc (general)  Soc 001	3	3 (Note: [REDACTED])
<b>Natural/Physical Sciences (7 credits)</b>		<b>General Ed Natural Science (GN)</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>
Required	Env 130 The Environment	Bi Sc 003	3	

Choose one:	Bio 120 Biological Concepts Bio 150 Biology I Bio 155 Biology II Bio 205 Zoology Bio 210 Botany Bio 280 Microbiology Che 120 Principles of Chemistry Che 150 Che 155 Che 210 Organic Chemistry Phy 120 Principles of Physics Phy 240 Physics I Phy 245 Physics II	Bi Sc (general) Bio (general) Bio (general) Bio (general) Bio (general) Micrb (general) Chem (general)  Chem 12 & 14 Chem 13 & 15 Chem (General)  Phys (general)  Phys 250 Phys 251	4	
<b>Orientation</b>	Ori 100	DOES NOT TRANSFER	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>General Education Electives (3 credits)</b>	Com 151 Fundamentals of Speech or Com 152 Fundamentals of Speech (Honors)	CAS 100 (GWS)	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>

\*US Cultures/ International Cultures: Penn State requires 6 credits in this category, which may double count as general education, B.A requirements, or elective requirements.

***RACC A.A. COMMUNICATIONS TRANSFER PROGRAM: TRANSFERABLE MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (15 credits required for RACC program; only 12 of these credits transfer to Penn State)***

RACC COURSES	PENN STATE COURSES	TRANSFERABLE CREDITS
Com 161 Mass Media	Comm 100 (General Req. of credits)	3
Com 163 Writing for the Media	General Comm (PW Major Requirement)	3
Com 165	DOES NOT TRANSFER	0
Com 201 Introduction to Editing	General Engl (Elective)	3
Com 141	DOES NOT TRANSFER	0
Com 205 Writing for On-Line Environments	General Comm (PW Major Requirement)	3

***RACC A.A. COMMUNICATIONS TRANSFER PROGRAM: SUGGESTED TRANSFERABLE ELECTIVES***

Students should select A.A. Communications Transfer program Elective credits that meet Penn State requirements. Students should work with a RACC advisor to select courses; some courses will not transfer to Penn State.

<b>RACC COURSES</b>	<b>PENN STATE COURSES</b>	<b>TRANSFERABLE CREDITS</b>
Span 101, 102, 201, 202  Note: Penn State requires proficiency in one Foreign Language at the Intermediate Level (for RACC foreign language courses, this means through the 202 level).	Span 1, 2, 3	3-12
IFT 110	MIS (general) (CAS 283-PW Major Req)	3

**The B.A. in Professional Writing at Penn State Berks-Lehigh Valley requires 45 General Education credits; 12-24 B.A. credits (depends on foreign language credits prior to enrolling at Penn State); 15-23 elective credits; and 39 credits in the major. (Total Credits Required: 123)**

Advising and Special Services will be available at both RACC and Penn State.

Pre-admission advising and registration will be available at either RACC or BKLV for ease of transferring.

***JUNIOR AND SENIOR YEARS AT PENN STATE BERKS-LEHIGH VALLEY***

**Students who transfer into the B.A. in Professional Writing program at Penn State Berks-Lehigh Valley after completing the Associate in Arts Communications Transfer degree and a minimum of 60 transferable credits at RACC and following the required and recommended courses listed in this agreement can expect their final junior and senior year schedules to approximate the lists below. Some variations are likely depending on the individual student's record.**

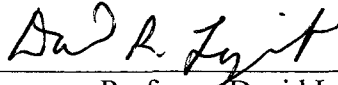
<b>1<sup>st</sup> semester at Penn State</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> semester at Penn State</b>
General Ed Quantification (GQ)	General Ed Natural Science (GN)
General Ed Humanities (GA)	General Ed Art (GA)
Req. in the Major	Req. in the Major
Req. in the Major	Req. in the Major
B.A. Req. Art	B.A. Req. other Cultures

<b>3<sup>rd</sup> semester at Penn State</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> semester at Penn State</b>
B.A. Req. Social Sciences	B.A. Req. Humanities
General Ed. Health and Physical Activity (GHA)	Elective
Req. in the Major	Req. in the Major
Req. in the Major	Req. in the Major
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Elective	

All courses listed are 3 credits unless otherwise specified.

PSU and RACC have entered this agreement on the date indicated and witnessed by the signatures below:

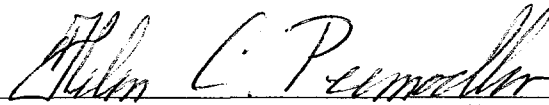
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Professor David Leight  
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Reading Area Community College

Date 5/26/05



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Professor Helen Peemoeller  
Division Chair - Humanities  
Reading Area Community College

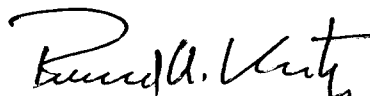
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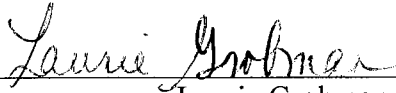


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**Penn State University**



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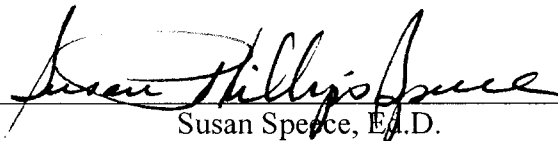
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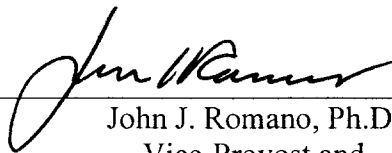
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Dean  
Penn State Berks-Lehigh Valley College

Date 6/8/05



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Vice-Provost and  
Dean for Enrollment Management & Administration  
The Pennsylvania State University

Date 6/30/05