



ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

2+2 Associate of Arts of Arts and Bachelor of Fine Arts Admissions Agreement

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and

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Pennsylvania College of Art and Design (PCA&D) and Hagerstown Community College (HGCC), agree to mutual cooperation in coordinating their respective programs for the associate and baccalaureate degrees in:

Fine Art Graphic Design

The principal beneficiaries are the students, who are served by current information about programs and protected by firm arrangements between institutions of higher education. The students are thereby provided the opportunity of planning a comprehensive baccalaureate degree program at the outset of the college education.

PRINCIPLES AND TERMS OF AGREEMENT

PCA&D and HGCC mutually confirm the following points of agreement, to assure equal treatment of transfer students:

- 1. This agreement shall apply to students who have completed an Associates degree in Fine Art and Graphic Design in the transfer curriculum at HGCC along with the stipulated core and free electives in the 2+2 agreement.
- 2. Students must apply for admission within one year after graduation from HGCC and not have matriculated in another bachelor degree program prior to enrollment at PCA&D.





- 3. Students should submit the PCA&D "Intent to Enroll" form by the time they have completed 30 college level credits at HGCC. Furthermore, the students should file the PCA&D application for admission by April 1, preceding fall enrollment.
- 4. Application fees and portfolio requirements for students applying under this agreement are waived.
- 5. Students must meet all standard PCA&D admissions requirements to be accepted, including:.
 - a. Admission to the 2+2 programs in this agreement is limited to the fall semester.
 - b. HGCC students must graduate with an overall 2.5 cumulative GPA; 3.0 average in studio classes. If a student's cumulative GPA is below the aforementioned averages, a letter of support from a HGCC faculty member is required. PCA&D Admissions may then also require a student with a GPA below the aforementioned averages to submit a portfolio.
 - c. HGCC graduates enrolling at PCA&D with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above are eligible for a \$2000 PCA&D Partnership Scholarship, renewable for one year.
- 6. Students who follow the prescribed PCA&D baccalaureate degree requirements noted above at HGCC and have earned an Associate degree in the aforementioned transfer program at HGCC are assured admission to PCA&D with a junior level standing. Some additional courses could be required at PCA&D when no HGCC equivalent course is available. In some instances a HGCC student may have not completed one to two courses needed to satisfy the 2+2 agreement's requirements. In these rare circumstances, a student's eligibility under this agreement may be re-evaluated by relevant HGCC and PCA&D faculty and staff. All students in the aforementioned programs covered by this agreement are eligible to receive one-on-one transfer advising from HGCC and PCA&D faculty and staff.





- 7. The determination of program requirements for a baccalaureate degree shall be the responsibility of PCA&D. When program requirements change at PCA&D, students studying at HGCC will have the option of satisfying "old" program requirements in the same manner as PCA&D students. The policy of "grandfathering" students under existing program requirements will have a time limit of four years from the date of the implementation of the change at PCA&D except for when changes are required by an accrediting agency.
- 8. Credits earned at or transferred from HGCC will be limited to 60 PCA&D credit hours.
- 9. HGCC students participating in the 2+2 program should have completed ENGL 101 and ENGL 102. However, if this is not the case, those students who have not completed ENGL 101 and/or ENGL 102 will be required to take PCA&D's writing placement test in order to be placed appropriately into PCA&D's advanced Foundations of Verbal Communication (FVC) courses.
- 10. Upon completion of their associate's degrees in Fine Art and Graphic Design, HGCC students who have completed the "Intent to Enroll" application and any subsequent, required materials are eligible for financial aid and scholarship opportunities while enrolled at PCA&D. HGCC students transferring to PCA&D will be treated the same as PCA&D students who entered the aforementioned programs at foundation or sophomore levels; all students–traditional, transfer, and other, will receive equal access when applying for financial aid and will be evaluated equally in the award and distribution of funds.
- 11. HGCC students transferring to PCA&D, at their will, can be enrolled in PCA&D's Housing Referral Service through the PCA&D division of Student Affairs, which assists all PCA&D students in identifying housing placement through college-sponsored housing or off campus housing near the College.
- 12. HGCC students transferring to PCA&D will receive equal opportunity to pre-register for classes and have access to other student services on the same basis as all PCA&D students of equal class standing.





- 13. An informal review of programs will occur every two years for the purpose of updating information for students and staff. The review will be initiated by PCA&D representatives.
- 14. This agreement will automatically renew unless personnel from HGCC and PCA&D determine that a meeting is necessary to review and/or amend this agreement. Either institution may terminate this agreement at any time by written notice of at least one (1) year in advance of the effective date of termination.
- 15. HGCC students enrolled in the Fine Art and Graphic Design associate degree programs are eligible to participate in programming and opportunities offered through PCA&D exhibitions programs, including joint curatorial and exhibition opportunities and experiences. PCA&D representatives will coordinate with HGCC faculty to facilitate these opportunities for HGCC students each year during the month of September.
- 16. HGCC students enrolled in the Fine Art and Graphic Design associate degree programs are eligible to participate in PCA&D-sponsored co-curricular programming and campus events. HGCC's Dean of Instruction and Registrar and PCA&D's Dean of Faculty and Registrar will meet annually in April in order to plan and implement collaborative initiatives.
- 17. This agreement will be reviewed every five years. Students currently enrolled at HGCC will continue to be permitted to complete their HGCC program and then transfer to PCA&D.
- 18. Upon formal approval of this agreement, by the appropriate officials of the two institutions, joint advertisement and promotion will be developed by the appropriate representative at each institution each April and evaluated each September.





The following are the designated program and or institutional representatives for each institution for the purposes of implementing this agreement and for any notices required to be given under this agreement.

This authorized agreement is to become effective on October 31, 2022 and will undergo a comprehensive review in July 2027.

HGCC	PCA&D
Dr. James Klauber President, PC	Michael "Mike" Molla President, PCA&D
Dr. C. David Warner VP, Academic Affairs and Student Services	Dr. Carissa "Cari" Massey Provost, PCA&D