

**ARTICULATION AGREEMENT RENEWAL BETWEEN**  
**Lansing Community College**  
**AB in Legal Studies**  
**and**  
**Eastern Michigan University**  
**BS in Paralegal**

**Article I**  
**Agreement on Principle**

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Eastern Michigan University (EMU) and Lansing Community College (LCC) agree that students who choose to begin their studies at a community college and transfer to a university to earn a bachelor's degree should be provided with a smooth curriculum transition that minimizes loss of credit and duplication of coursework. Therefore, EMU and LCC agree to enter into this articulation agreement to facilitate the completion of the AB in Legal Studies at LCC and the BS in Paralegal at EMU. Both parties enter into this agreement as cooperating, equal partners who shall maintain the integrity of their separate programs.

**Article II**  
**Agreement on Program Specifics**

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EMU and LCC agree that interested students may transfer the course credits indicated on the attached articulation guide toward a BS in Paralegal at EMU. Under this agreement, EMU will waive the 60-hour rule and require that a minimum of 30 credit hours must be completed in courses offered by EMU, of which 15 hours must be in major/program requirements at the 300-level or above. A minimum of 120 total credits is required to graduate.

To use this agreement students must apply and be admitted to EMU. LCC students will receive equal consideration with other students seeking admission and financial aid.

The Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) requirements may be completed at the most appropriate time for the student whether before or after admission to EMU. If already on the transcript, the MACRAO designation will be accepted at EMU after summer semester 2019. Students who have not satisfied the MTA or MACRAO agreement must complete EMU's General Education Requirements as applied to transfer students. All other EMU graduation and program requirements must be satisfied whether by transferred courses, EMU courses, or approved substitutions or waivers.

For the purpose of this articulation agreement, both LCC and EMU agree to accept transferable courses from each other and from other regionally accredited institutions, within the guidelines of individual program accreditation requirements. Students should consult a program advisor at the respective institution to discuss program requirements. Articulation guides will be provided to assist students in completing the articulated program of study. Each institution will determine the satisfaction of their individual program and degree requirements. LCC courses indicated with an \* on the articulation guide are required for EMU's program. Any substitutions for these courses must be approved by the EMU program coordinator if not already stated in the agreement. In the case of a student who has accumulated credits before declaring this program, every effort will be made to maximize the use of credits already completed. All students using this agreement will be encouraged to complete an associate degree, although it is not required. Students will be informed of reverse transfer opportunities. Disputes

regarding the transfer of courses may be appealed to the EMU Provost by contacting the Office of Transfer Partnerships 734.487.6577.

**Article III**  
**Agreement on Communication**

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EMU and LCC agree to cooperate in communicating with each other and with their common and respective publics concerning the established relationship between the two institutions. Communication may include the development of various kinds of publications to inform those who might benefit personally or professionally from the opportunities provided by this agreement. Faculty and staff at both institutions will share the information in this agreement with interested and qualified students and both institutions will provide counseling and advising to students and prospective students. EMU will provide transfer student performance data to LCC officials annually through the Community College Transfer Student Report.

**Article IV**  
**Maintenance and Review Procedures**

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At least one administrative or faculty member from each institution will be appointed to act as agents for the implementation of this agreement, to speak for the institutions and to communicate changes to respective faculty members, advisors, counselors, and others to whom the information is pertinent. Responsibility for oversight of this agreement rests with the Director, Academic Quality at LCC and the School Director for Technology and Professional Services Management. at EMU. Both parties agree to communicate annually any changes in their respective programs that may affect this articulation agreement.

**Effective Date: September 1, 2024 until August 31, 2027.**

This is a renewal of an agreement made in September 2019. This agreement is consistent with the 2024-2025 catalog. Students have until summer 2032 to graduate from Eastern Michigan University following this agreement. In the event that a student does not complete the program within seven years, they may be required to have their credits reevaluated using the requirements of the current articulation guide.

## ARTICULATION AGREEMENT GUIDE

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Lansing Community College Courses:	Eastern Michigan University Courses:
<b>Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) Requirements (31-32 credits)</b>	
Students with the MTA endorsement on their community college transcript have satisfied EMU's General Education Core Requirements and will be required to complete only the General Education Application Requirements of one Perspectives on a Diverse World course, one Learning Beyond the Classroom experience, and a Writing Intensive course in the major. <u>Courses listed below for the MTA also satisfy program requirements at EMU and/or LCC.</u> For LCC approved MTA courses go to the community college's website. Students without an MTA or MACRAO endorsement must complete EMU's general education program.	
<b>1. A course in English Composition</b>	
* Choose one from: ENGL 122 or 132 (in place of ENGL 121) .4	WRTG 121 Composition II (3)+1 ..... 4
<b>2. A course in English Composition or Communication</b>	
COMM 130 Fundamentals of Public Speaking..... 3	COMM 124 Foundations of Speech Communication ..... 3
<b>3. A course in Mathematics</b>	
Choose one from the approved MTA list: MATH 119 or 120... 4	MATH 110 or 105 General Education ..... 4
<b>4. Two courses in Natural Sciences from different disciplines (one lab required)</b>	
Choose one from: BIOL 120 or 121..... 4	ENVI 107 or BIO 000 General Transfer Credit ..... 4
Choose one from the approved MTA list..... 3-4	General Transfer Credit..... 3-4
<b>5. Two courses in Humanities and Fine Arts from different disciplines</b>	
Choose two from the approved MTA list ..... 6	General Transfer Credit ..... 6
<b>6. Two courses in Social Sciences from different disciplines</b>	
* Choose one from: ECON 202 or SOCL 120..... 4	ECON 201 or SOCL 105 (3)+1 ..... 4
Choose one from the approved MTA list..... 3	General Transfer Credit ..... 3
<b>LCC Paralegal Program Requirements (45 credits)</b>	
CITF 110 Introduction to Computer Information Systems .... 3	BMMT 101 Computers and Technology..... 3
2* LEGL 115 Paralegal Career/Ethics..... 3	LEGL 211 Introduction to the Legal System ..... 3
LEGL 125 Legal Research and Writing I ..... 3	LEGL 000 General Transfer Credit ..... 3
LEGL 160 Critical Thinking in Law..... 3	LEGL 000 General Transfer Credit ..... 3
* LEGL 207 eDiscovery..... 3	LEGL 396 Electronically Stored Info & eDiscovery..... 3
* LEGL 211 Tort Law..... 3	LEGL 405 Civil Litigation, Invest, and Procedure I..... 3
* LEGL 212 Litigation Procedures..... 3	LEGL 406 Civil Litigation, Invest, and Procedure II..... 3
* LEGL 217 Business Organizations..... 3	LAW 000 <u>sub for Interdisciplinary Elective</u> ..... 3
* LEGL 222 Probate Law and Procedure..... 3	LEGL 311 Probate, Estates, & Wills ..... 3
* LEGL 223 Domestic Relations..... 3	LEGL 313 Family Law..... 3
* LEGL 225 Legal Writing and Research II ..... 3	LEGL 000 General Transfer Credit ..... 3
* LEGL 228 Computer Applications for the Law Office ..... 3	LEGL 212 Law Office Administration and Technology..... 3
LEGL 270 Paralegal Certification Prep..... 0	LEGL 000 General Transfer Credit ..... 0
* Choose 2 from: LEGL 215, CJUS 103 ..... 6	LAW 293 (Interdisc Elect), PLSC 302 (Interdisc Elect)..... 6
LEGL 216, 229, 251, 280;	LAW 000, LEGA 000, AACR GEN or sub for Interdisc Elect
* MGMT 234 Diversity in the Workplace..... 3	MGMT 000 Perspectives on a Diverse World Requirement .. 3
<b>EMU Requirements and Electives that may be Taken at LCC or EMU (10 credits)</b>	
* Choose a second course from: ECON 201 or SOCL 255 .... 3-4	ECON 202 (3) or SOCL 202 (3) ..... 3-4
* ACCG 210 Principles of Accounting I ..... 4	ACC 240 Principles of Financial Accounting (3)+1..... 4
General elective credit (may transfer up to 87 credits)..... 2-3	General Transfer Credit..... 2-3
<b>Credits at LCC:.....87</b>	<b>Credits that transfer to EMU..... 87</b>

\* Required for EMU's BS in Paralegal program. If not transferred, must be completed at EMU.

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### Completion of the BS in Paralegal at EMU

#### Admission to the Paralegal Program

Students who wish to pursue this major must apply for admission to the program. Program admission criteria are:

- Completion of WRWG 121 (ENGL 122 or 132) with a grade of "B" or higher.
- Completion of LEGL 211 - Introduction to the Legal System with a grade of "B-" or higher (LEGL 115).
- Completion of LEGL 304W - Legal Writing, Research and Analysis I with a grade of "C+" or higher.
- A cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.

Visit the [Paralegal program at EMU](#) for more information on applying, program policies, and course schedule information.

#### Major Requirements (33 credits)

##### Required Courses (15 credits)

<sup>1</sup>	LEGL 304W Legal Writing, Research and Analysis I.....	3
	LEGL 305 Adv Legal Writing, Research, and Analysis II..	3
	LEGL 400 Adv Legal Writing, Research & Analysis III .....	3
	LEGL 404 Court Rules, Forms and Drafting Contracts.....	3
<sup>2</sup>	LEGL 488L4 Legal Internship.....	3

##### Business & Information Processing (9 credits)

BMMT 201	Microcomputers for Business Applications.....	3
BMMT 213	Advanced Spreadsheet Applications.....	3
BMMT 496	Records Administration Using Database.....	3

##### Restricted Electives (9 credits)

*Choose 9 hours from the following:*

LEGL 300	Marijuana Law (3)	
LEGL 315	Land Transaction and Real Estate (3)	
LEGL 318	Women and the Law (3)	
LEGL 320	Cyber Law and Compliance (3)	
LEGL 379	Special Topics (3)	
LEGL 415	Bankruptcy Law (3)	
<sup>2</sup> LEGL 416L4	Paralegal Capstone (3-6)	
LEGL 479	Special Topics (3)	

<b>Credits at EMU:</b> .....	<b>33</b>
<b>Transfer Credits:</b> .....	<b>87</b>
<b>Total Credits:</b> .....	<b>120</b>

*<sup>1</sup> Satisfies EMU's Writing Intensive Requirement*

*<sup>2</sup> Satisfies EMU's Learning Beyond the Classroom Requirement*

**Note:** LEGL 488L4 is a 150-hour internship that must be completed at EMU Legal Resource Center.

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### Additional Information:

1. Each institution will determine the satisfaction of their individual program and degree requirements. Both institutions agree to accept transferable courses from each other and from other regionally accredited institutions. LCC courses indicated with an \* are required for EMU's BS in Paralegal. Substitutions for these courses must be approved by the EMU program coordinator.
2. Students with the MTA endorsement on their community college transcript have satisfied EMU's General Education Core Requirements and will be required to complete only the General Education Application Requirements of one "Perspectives on a Diverse World" course, one "Learning Beyond the Classroom" experience, and a "Writing Intensive" course in the major. The Perspectives on a Diverse World requirement may be transferred to EMU.  
*To use the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA), students must have an official community college transcript, with the "MTA Satisfied" endorsement sent to EMU's Admissions Office. Students who do not have "MTA Satisfied" on their community college transcript, will be required to satisfy EMU's general education requirements as applied to transfer students. The MTA may be completed after admission to EMU, however, students should inform their advisors or they may be advised to complete additional courses for the general education program. If already on the transcript, the MACRAO designation will be accepted at EMU after August 2019.*
3. Only courses with a grade of "C" or better (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) will be accepted for transfer to either institution.
4. Under this agreement, EMU will waive the 60-hour rule and require that a minimum of 33 credit hours must be completed in EMU courses, with at least 15 hours in the program at the 300-level or above. Of the last 30 hours completed before graduating, a minimum of 10 credit hours must be in courses offered by EMU. A minimum of 120 credit hours, completed in-residence or accepted in transfer, is required for graduation.
5. Students must satisfy all admission requirements at the time of application for admission to EMU, including submitting transcripts from all previously attended colleges. LCC students will receive equal consideration with other students for course registration and financial aid.
6. Students are encouraged to contact EMU's Undergraduate Admissions Office before applying to EMU. To facilitate advising and the evaluation of transcripts, bring a copy of this articulation guide to all advising sessions.

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