Articulation Agreement
Between
SUNY Cortland
and
Mohawk Valley Community College

B.A. in Political Science
and
A.S. in Liberal Arts & Sciences: Public Policy

I. General Statement of Purpose:

This document establishes a formal transfer agreement between SUNY Cortland’s Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Mohawk Valley Community College’s Associate of Science in Liberal Arts & Sciences: Public Policy Program.

II. Objectives:

A. This program is designed to create a seamless transfer process for students from Mohawk Valley Community College into SUNY Cortland.

B. A major goal is to attract highly qualified students to both colleges.

III. Eligibility/Admission Requirements:

A. Mohawk Valley Community College students must complete an Associate of Science degree in Liberal Arts & Sciences: Public Policy before entrance into SUNY Cortland’s Bachelor of Arts in Political Science.

B. Mohawk Valley Community College students must meet the academic requirements for admission including specific coursework as outlined in the attached proposal.

C. Mohawk Valley Community College students must complete a minimum of seven of the ten General Education Requirements.

D. Mohawk Valley Community College students must complete the application process of SUNY Cortland.

IV. Benefits/Advantages:

A. Junior status for degree and financial aid purposes

B. Guidelines for completion of program at SUNY Cortland and direct contact for advisement for an easier transition for qualified students
C. Waiver of the Cortland General Education Requirements (not SUNY GE Requirements)

D. Participation in internships and study abroad programs

E. Eligibility for transfer scholarships

V. Terms of Agreement:

A. Admission requirement: An overall grade point average of 2.5 is required for consideration for admission to SUNY Cortland. It must be noted, however, that program admission standards may be significantly higher.

B. The maximum number of credits that can be applied toward the Cortland degree is 64.

C. Mohawk Valley Community College students agree to provide a final transcript with their degree stated.

D. This articulation agreement will be maintained on an annual basis through contact between department chairpersons.

E. Each institution will be responsible for making this agreement viable and workable for interested students.

F. Each institution may engage in publication and marketing of this agreement.

G. SUNY Cortland and Mohawk Valley Community College agree that future changes in the SUNY Cortland Bachelor of Arts in Political Science will create necessary commensurate changes in this agreement.

H. SUNY Cortland and Mohawk Valley Community College agree to share all course related materials from common courses in the Bachelor of Arts in Political Science at SUNY Cortland and the Associate of Science in Liberal Arts & Sciences: Public Policy Program at Mohawk Valley Community College.

I. Half of the credits in the major and a minimum of 45 hours of course work must be completed in residency at Cortland.
Signatures:

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President  
SUNY Cortland  

Signature  
1/15/09  

Randall VanWagoner  
President  
Mohawk Valley Community College  

Signature  
4/19/09  

Mark J. Prus  
Provost & Vice President, Academic Affairs  
SUNY Cortland  

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Maryrose Eannace  
Vice President for Learning and Academic Affairs  
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Bruce Mattingly  
Interim Dean, School of Arts & Sciences  
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Marianne Buttenschon  
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Robert Spitzer  
Chair, Political Science Department  
SUNY Cortland  

Signature  
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