



TRANSFER STUDENT ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

American University of Ras Khaimah (AURAK) Araibi, Ras Al Khaimah, UAE AND

> Wayne State University College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Detroit, Michigan, USA

THIS TRANSFER STUDENT ARTICULATION AGREEMENT (hereinafter "Agreement") is entered into by and between Wayne State University, a public institution of higher education located in Detroit, Michigan, USA, on behalf of its College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (hereinafter "WSU") and American University of Ras Khaimah, a public, non-profit, independent, co-educational institution of higher education offering integrated American-style undergraduate and graduate programs located in Araibi, Ras Al Khaimah, United Arab Emirates (hereinafter "AURAK"). WSU and AURAK may be referred to individually herein as a ("Party") and collectively ("Parties").

ARTICLE 1: PURPOSE

This Agreement sets forth terms and conditions by and under which the Parties agree to implement a transfer student articulation program (hereinafter "Program") to enable AURAK students to enroll as degree-seeking, international transfer students at WSU after having successfully completed two (2) or more years of undergraduate studies at AURAK, including AURAK General Education Component and required admissions criteria as established by WSU.

Coursework completed by participating students at AURAK may be applied as transfer credits towards their WSU degrees in accordance with the policies and regulations regarding such credit transfer as established by WSU. Participating students will be awarded a WSU Bachelor of Science (BS) degree upon successful completion of all coursework and other degree requirements as established by WSU.

ARTICLE 2: STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Eligibility. The Program will be open to participation by AURAK students currently enrolled in good standing or graduates who have satisfied the Program eligibility requirements. All required courses for this Program are outlined in the Appendix and communicated in WSU promotional material. AURAK students participating in the Program will enroll primarily in courses that fulfill general education requirements and lower-level courses required for the WSU Bachelor of Science (BS) in Chemistry and Bachelor of Science (BS) in Biochemistry and Chemical Biology. AURAK students will apply for admission as an international transfer student.
- **2.2** Admissions Requirements. WSU, through its Office of Undergraduate Admissions with recommendations from the WSU Department of Chemistry, will evaluate students selected by AURAK for participation in the Program and, consider the recommendations of AURAK to make a final determination in accordance with WSU's Chemistry Department admissions and or program requirements regarding admissibility to WSU as transfer students.

At the time of WSU admission application, AURAK students must have earned a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 consistent with the current WSU admissions policies and meet admissions criteria. Transfer students must demonstrate English language proficiency as required for undergraduate admission by submitting official examination scores of one of the following:

- minimum scores of 79-80 on TOEFLiBT and IELTS 6.5
- minimum score of 64 on the Michigan Language Assessment (MET), or
- minimum 110 on the Duolingo examination.

If students are eligible for admission in all respects except English language proficiency, they may be offered conditional admission to work on English skills to satisfy admission standards. They will be allowed to enroll in the WSU English Language Institute (ELI), on a non-credit basis and according to the published ELI fee structure. Enrollment in ELI should not exceed one year.

- **2.3 Application Procedures and Documents**. AURAK students recommended for participation in this Program will apply to WSU as international transfer students, using the standard, online application process as stipulated at: https://wayne.edu/apply. Transcripts of coursework completed at AURAK, along with all supporting application materials required by WSU, must be submitted as part of each AURAK student's application for admission to the Program, including official transcripts, certified by AURAK, and presented in English.
- **2.4 Enrollment Status.** Once accepted for admission and participation in this Program by WSU, participating students will be enrolled as full-time, degree-seeking students at WSU. While enrolled at WSU, AURAK students will receive all services normally provided to full-time degree-seeking WSU students, including access to campus facilities and instructional resources, academic advising, and other support. In addition, while enrolled at WSU, AURAK students will enjoy the same rights and privileges, and will be subject to the same laws, rules, policies and responsibilities as are all other full-time, degree-seeking WSU students.
- **2.5** *Non-discrimination*. Eligibility for participation in this Program will be determined without regard to race, sex, color, religion, sexual orientation, marital status, national origin, age, or beliefs. WSU does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ethnic origin, religion, creed, age, physical or mental disability, veteran status, uniformed service, political belief, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy, marital status, genetic information, social or economic status, or whether a person is a smoker or nonsmoker, provided that the person complies with WSU policy concerning smoking.

ARTICLE 3. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

3.1 Tuition and Fees. AURAK students participating in this Program will be assessed standard, international tuition and fees as set by WSU and currently in effect at the time of their enrollment at WSU. This includes course-specific additional fees for laboratory deposits, fieldwork costs, and materials.

- **3.2** Scholarship and Employment Eligibility. WSU may offer scholarships to exceptional AURAK students participating in this Program. Scholarships will be awarded based on academic merit and will be subject to the availability of funds. In addition, AURAK students participating in this Program may seek part-time employment on the WSU campus, in compliance with all laws, rules, and policies governing student employment and all regulations associated with the participating student's visa status.
- **3.3 Related Expenses.** AURAK students participating in this Program will be responsible for all personal expenses related to their participation in the Program, including, but not limited to:
 - transportation to and from the United Arab Emirates and WSU, and transportation while in the USA;
 - passport and visa expenses;
 - housing accommodation and meals;
 - books, supplies, and other study materials;
 - health and other insurance in line with current regulations at the time of their enrollment at WSU, which may vary from time to time. Participating students must comply with all health regulations as established by WSU and in force at the time of their enrollment and participation in the Program;
 - all expenses related to accompanying or visiting dependents or family members;
 and
 - all other expenses and debts incurred by students during their participation in the Program.

ARTICLE 4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF AURAK

- **4.1** AURAK shall be responsible for the following:
- **4.1.1 Promotion**. Promote and market the Program among its students, screen potential applicants to ensure that the selected students meet minimum requirements for admission to WSU and submit a list of students recommended for participation in the Program each year.
- **4.1.2** Advising. Advise interested students in the Program of all relevant curriculum, policies, procedures, and costs associated with their participation in the Program, using information materials provided by WSU.
- **4.1.3** Curriculum. Provide curriculum guides, updates, course descriptions and syllabi, and other relevant information to WSU to facilitate evaluation of AURAK course(s) potentially eligible for acceptance as transfer credits at WSU.

ARTICLE 5. RESPONSIBILITIES OF WSU

- **5.1** WSU shall be responsible for the following:
- **5.1.1 Promotion**. Provide promotional materials, application instructions and guidance, course descriptions and other information as necessary to support AURAK promotion of the Program and recruitment of students for participation.

- **5.1.2** *Curriculum*. Agree that the transfer student's completion of AURAK General Education Component satisfies WSU's University General Education requirements. Continue to evaluate curriculum guides, updates, course descriptions and syllabi, and other relevant material as provided by AURAK to facilitate evaluation and acceptance as transfer credits.
- **5.1.3** Admissions. Provide timely admission decision for qualified applicates seeking participation in the Program. Provide admitted students accepted for participation in the Program with all necessary documents to support their visa application as appropriate and within current immigration standards and practices. Participating students will be responsible for applying for and obtaining the appropriate visa required for participation in the Program.
- **5.1.4 Housing**. Assist students participating in the Program with regard to reserving on-campus housing accommodations and with integration into the campus and local community.

ARTICLE 6. EFFECTIVE TERM, RENEWAL AND AMENDMENT

- **6.1** Effective Date. This Agreement will take effect upon the date of last signature by the authorized representatives of each Party and will remain in effect through five years from last signature, unless terminated early by either Party.
- **6.2 Early Termination**. Either Party may terminate this Agreement in advance of the agreed upon termination date by providing written notice to the other Party at least 90 days in advance of the intended early termination date. Unless otherwise negotiated and agreed upon, students, faculty, and/or staff of either Party who are engaged in collaborative activities or exchanges at the intended time of early termination will be permitted to complete these activities or exchanges in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- **6.3 Renewal**. This Agreement may be renewed by mutual agreement of the Parties, in writing and signed by the duly authorized representatives of both Parties prior to the agreed upon expiration date, in the form of an addendum to this Agreement. All such addenda shall be considered integral parts of this Agreement.
- **6.4** Amendment. The terms and conditions stipulated in this Agreement may be modified or appended by mutual agreement of the Parties, in writing and signed by the duly authorized representatives of both Parties prior to the agreed upon expiration date, in the form of an amendment to this Agreement. All such amendments shall be considered integral parts of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 7. GENERAL PROVISIONS

7.1 Program Integrity. WSU and AURAK will maintain the integrity of their separate programs and enter into this Agreement as equal and cooperating institutions.

- **7.2** *Use of Names*. Beyond promoting the activities supported by the terms and conditions of this Agreement among its faculty, staff, and students, neither Party shall use the name of the other in any other form of advertising or publicity without express written permission from the other Party. For instances of name use that exceed the terms of this Agreement, each Party must seek permission from the other by submitting a draft of the proposed use at least 60 days in advance of the proposed use to the other Party's representative, designated in "Notice" section below.
- **7.3** Academic Freedom. WSU is committed to preserving and defending the principles and values of academic freedom for their faculty, staff and students. If collaborative activities implemented under the auspices of this Agreement are deemed by either Party to infringe upon that Party's standards of academic freedom, academic rigor, or academic integrity, that Party may withdraw from this Agreement immediately without penalty.
- 7.4 Research Ethics and Respect of Pre-existing Intellectual Property Rights. The Parties to this Agreement are committed to ensuring that faculty, staff and students participating in collaborative activities under the auspices of this Agreement adhere to all relevant governing regulations and standards of ethics in the conduct of research, use of data, dissemination of results, and disclosures of conflicts of interest. Unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Parties, each Party will retain ownership of its Intellectual Property that pre-exists the effective date of this Agreement or is developed outside the auspices of this Agreement. If collaborative activities implemented under the auspices of this activity are deemed by either Party to compromise that Party's standards of ethics in research or infringe on its pre-existing or independently developed Intellectual Property, that Party may withdraw from the Agreement immediately without penalty.
- **7.5** *Counterparts*. The Parties may sign this Agreement in counterparts, all of which together shall constitute the complete Agreement. Duplicate or facsimile signatures shall be accepted as originals for all purposes.
- **7.6** *Notice*. To be enforceable, all notices and official communications related to this Agreement must be in writing and delivered to the Party's representative named below either by (a) confirmed electronic transmission; (b) certified mail, return receipt requested; or (c) commercial carrier with delivery receipt. Notices are effective upon receipt by the designated representative. All communications will be sent to the addresses set forth below or to such other address as designated by either Party via written notice to the other:

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- **7.7 Force Majeure.** A Party is excused from performing its obligations under this Agreement when conditions beyond its control and unforeseen by the Parties make its performance commercially impractical, illegal, or impossible. Conditions of excuse include, but are not limited to: natural disasters, strikes, fires, war, terrorism and threats of terrorism, government actions, and acts or omissions of third parties. So long as the conditions continue, the Party whose performance is affected shall keep the other Institution fully informed about the conditions and the prospects of their ending.
- **7.8 Integration**. This Agreement with its attachments, amendments, and incorporated references constitutes the Parties' entire agreement regarding the subject matter.
- **7.9** Authorized Signatories. The individuals signing this Agreement on a Party's behalf represent that they have the requisite authority and intent to bind that Party to this Agreement.

The signatories below warrant they are authorized to enter into this Agreement on behalf of their respective Parties.

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AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF RAS KHAIMAH

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Appendix A: Bachelor of Science (BS) in Chemistry Pathway

Curriculum Guide - Bachelor of Science (BS) in Chemistry (link)

American University of Ras al Khaimah (AURAK)

The following requirements must be completed at AURAK to earn the Wayne State Bachelor of Science (BS) in Chemistry. Any course(s) not completed or transferred from AURAK can be completed at Wayne State University

1. Minimum of 60 credit hours earned

2. Complete General Education Component -minimum of 31-33 semester credit hours.

- a. Orientation Courses (O) –13-14 credit hours
- b. Humanities/Fine Arts (H) –minimum of 6 credit hours
- c. Social and Behavioral Sciences (S) minimum of 6 credit hours
- d. Natural Sciences/Mathematics (N) minimum of 0 (6) credit hours -satisfied with below 'Direct Course Equivalents'; see below

3. Complete AURAK Course for Transfer.

- a. CHEM 211 and 212 General Chemistry I and Lab (CHM 1100/1130)
- b. CHEM 213 and 214 General Chemistry II and Lab (CHM 1140/1150)
- c. CHEM 215 and 216 Organic Chemistry I and Lab (CHM 1240/1250)
- d. CHEM 120 Analytical Chemistry and Lab (CHM 3120/3130)
- e. BIOL 250 Biochemistry I and Lab (CHM 5600)
- f. BIOL 350 Biochemistry II and Lab (CHM 5510)
- g. MATH 113 Calculus I (MAT 2010)
- h. MATH 114 Calculus II (MAT 2020)
- i. PHYS 110 and 111 University Physics I and Lab (PHY 2170/2171)
- j. PHYS 220 and 221 University Physics II and Lab (PHY 2180/2181)

4. Transfer 62-63 semester credit hours

Completion of AURAK General Education Component satisfies WSU University General Education. All college-level courses with a 2.0 ('C') grade point average (GPA) or above will be considered for transfer credit. Earned credit will transfer as 1.) direct WSU course equivalency, 2.) chemistry (CHM) major/department credit, or 3.) elective credit.

Credits not earned at AURAK will need to be taken at WSU. All students must earn a minimum of 120 credits, including a minimum of 30 WSU credits in residency.

Wayne State University (WSU) College of Liberal Arts and Science

Bachelor of Science (BS) in Chemistry

The following Wayne State courses are required to complete the degree requirements under the terms of the agreement.

<u>Course</u>	<u>Credit hours</u>
CHM 2220 Organic Chemistry II	4
CHM 2230 Organic Chemistry II Laboratory	1
CHM 3020 Intermediate Inorganic Chemistry I	3
CHM 5020 Intermediate Inorganic Chemistry II	3
CHM 5160 Instrumental Analytical Chemistry	3
CHM 5420 Physical Chemistry I	3
CHM 5440 Physical Chemistry II	4
CHM 5550 Physical Chemistry Laboratory	2
CHM 5570 Instrumental Analytical Chemistry Laboratory	2
One (1) advanced CHM course -see WSU advisor	3
CHM 5999 Research in Chemistry ¹	2
MAT 2250 Elementary Linear Algebra	3
Minor -see WSU advisor	18
College of Liberal Arts Foreign Language Requirement ²	8
TOTAL	59

By the first semester of the senior year, the student must enroll for at least two credits in independent research (CHM 5999 or CHM 5998). The student must work under the direction of a faculty member of the Department of Chemistry. It is advised that the student consult with the faculty during the term prior to beginning work, in order to choose the area and staff member under whose direction this research will be carried out. After the project, the student must present a written report for approval by the Chairperson of the Department. With prior approval by the Chairperson of the Department, students may be allowed to substitute to 2 credits of an internship experience (CHM 6991) in place of a research project.

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Accelerated Graduate Enrollment (AGRADE)

AGRADE program provides the opportunity for top students to enroll simultaneously in an undergraduate and graduate program. Students can apply a maximum of 16 credits towards both an undergraduate and a graduate degree in the student's major or closely aligned field. Students electing AGRADE programs may expect to complete their bachelor's and master's in five years of full-time study.

- Wayne State requires a minimum of 30 credits in residency.
- The minimum eligibility to participate in the agreement is a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above. See transfer credit guidelines.
- All college-level (non-developmental), non-duplicated courses with a 2.0 (C) grade point average (GPA) or above will be considered for transfer credit. Earned credit will transfer as 1) direct course equivalency, 2) major/department credit, or 3) elective credit.

² Bilingual Students: Students who were born in and completed their secondary education in a country whose language is not English may demonstrate proficiency by means of qualifying examinations or interviews administered by the Department of Classical and Modern Languages, Literatures, and Cultures. However, no credit (through coursework or by examination) will be granted to such students for 1000-level courses in that language.

Appendix B: Bachelor of Science (BS) in Biochemistry and Chemical Biology

Curriculum Guide - Bachelor of Science (BS) in Biochemistry and Chemical Biology (link)

American University of Ras al Khaimah (AURAK)

The following requirements must be completed at AURAK to earn the Wayne State Bachelor of Science (BS) in Biochemistry and Chemical Biology. Any course(s) not completed or transferred from AURAK can be completed at Wayne State University

1. Minimum of 60 credit hours earned

2. Complete General Education Component -minimum of 31-33 semester credit hours.

- a. Orientation Courses (O) –13-14 credit hours
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- i. *BIOL 250 and 251 Biochemistry I and Lab (CHM 5600)
- j. BIOL 350 Biochemistry II (CHM 5510)
- k. STAT 100 Introductory Probability and Statistics (STA 1020)
- 1. MATH 113 Calculus I (MAT 2010)
- m. PHYS 110 and 111 University Physics I and Lab (PHY 2170/2171)
- n. PHYS 220 and 221 University Physics II and Lab (PHY 2180/2181)

4. Transfer 66-67 semester credit hours

*BIOL250/251 will transfer as CHM 5600 and be substituted for CHM 6620 at WSU

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CHM 3000 Metals in Biology	3

CHM 3120 Analytical Chemistry	3
CHM 3130 Analytical Chemistry Laboratory 1	1
CHM 5400 Biological Physical Chemistry 3	3
CHM 6610 Biological Chemistry Laboratory	3
CHM 6635 Tools of Molecular Biology	3
CHM 6640 Molecular Biology	3
CHM 5999 Research in Chemistry ¹	2
One of the following: BIO 2270, 2600, 2870, or 3250 -see WSU advisor	4-5
Two (2) courses in approved advanced chemistry -see WSU advisor	6-8
Minor -see WSU advisor	18
College of Liberal Arts Foreign Language Requirement ²	8
TOTAL	62-65

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