

## ARTICULATION AGREEMENT No. 13

This Articulation Agreement No. 13 (“**ART**”) is entered into, as of January 1, 2021 (“**Effective Date**”), between American Public University System, Inc. (“**APUS**”) and College of Southern Maryland (“**Institution**”) (individually a “**Party**” and collectively the “**Parties**”) to facilitate and define the terms of the transfer of Institution students who graduate with an Associate of Applied Science degree in Homeland Security at Institution to the Bachelor of Arts degree in Homeland Security at APUS. This ART is incorporated by reference into the Education Partnership Agreement entered into, as of November 1, 2019, between the Parties (“**EPA**”) (collectively with any other articulation agreements entered into between the Parties, the “**Agreement**”).

Institution and APUS agree to offer articulated programs through which students from Institution, pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, may transfer eligible credits earned for the Associate of Applied Science degree in Homeland Security at Institution toward the Bachelor of Arts degree in Homeland Security at APUS. In consideration of the promises and covenants herein, the parties agree as follows:

1. Students in and graduates of the Associate of Applied Science degree in Homeland Security at Institution that apply to APUS and satisfy all APUS admission requirements may be admitted to APUS (“**APUS Students**”). APUS Students will receive transfer credit for those specific Institution courses (each a “**Course**”) as set forth in the Transfer Guide Table, attached hereto as Appendix A.
2. The number of credits transferred may not exceed 90 credit hours, which contribute to the fulfillment of credit hours required for Bachelor of Arts degree in Homeland Security completion at APUS.
3. An Institution student must earn a grade of “C” (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) or better in each Institution course for which the student desires transfer credits from APUS.
4. The maximum number of credits that will be accepted by APUS toward degree requirements from non-direct classroom instruction (including CLEP, AP, and other nationally recognized standardized examination scores) is based on annually published national scores with recommended credits. Credit awarded for prior learning assessments (“**PLA**”) is not recognized by APUS without verification through the APUS PLA process.
5. As the Parties may mutually agree, students at Institution may begin taking courses in the Bachelor of Arts degree in Homeland Security program at APUS while they are completing their Associate of Applied Science degree in Homeland Security degree at Institution.
6. APUS will consider for financial assistance those students who complete Associate of Applied Science degree in Homeland Security at Institution in accordance with then-applicable regulatory requirements and APUS policies.
7. The Parties will review Appendix A at least annually and either Party may notify the other Party at any time of necessary changes thereto. The Parties will work together to modify Appendix A accordingly, which modified table shall be incorporated herein and applied by the Parties.
8. This ART is effective as of the Effective Date identified above and will continue for three (3) years thereafter (the “**Term**”), and it shall renew automatically unless terminated earlier pursuant to this Section 8. Either Party may terminate this ART upon providing sixty (60) days written notice. Termination of this ART will not affect any APUS Student then currently enrolled in the Associate of Applied Science degree in Homeland Security program at Institution that is taking courses at APUS or has been accepted into the Bachelor of Arts degree in Homeland Security program at APUS. Notwithstanding anything herein to contrary, this ART shall terminate upon termination or expiration of the EPA.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Parties have caused this ART to be signed by their authorized representatives on the date and year first written above.

  
Vernon Smith (Jan 20, 2021 18:29 EST)

**Dr. Vernon C. Smith**  
Senior Vice President and Provost  
American Public University System, Inc.

  
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**Dr. Mitchell Levy**  
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College of Southern Maryland

Dec 30, 2020

**Appendix A**  
**Transfer Guide Table**  
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COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND (CSM) A.A.S. HOMELAND SECURITY TO AMERICAN PUBLIC UNIVERSITY SYSTEM (APUS) B.A. HOMELAND SECURITY TRANSFER GUIDE			
APUS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS	CSM COURSES	CREDITS APPLIED	CREDITS NEEDED AT APUS
<b>General Education Requirements (27 Credits Required)</b>		<b>21</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Communication: Writing, Oral, &amp; Multimedia (COMM)</b> <b>(9 Credits Required)</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>
COMM120: Information and Digital Literacy <i>(Required)</i>	<i>Waived</i>		
ENGL110: Making Writing Relevant <i>(Required)</i>	ENG 1010 Composition and Rhetoric	3	
APUS General Education COMM Course Choice	COM 1010 Basic Principles of Speech Communication	3	
<b>Arts &amp; Humanities (ARHU)</b> <b>(6 Credits Required)</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
APUS General Education ARHU Course Choice	PHL 1150 Cyber Ethics	3	
APUS General Education ARHU Course Choice			3
<b>History (HIST)</b> <b>(3 Credits Required)</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
APUS General Education HIST Course Choice			3
<b>Civics, Political &amp; Social Sciences (SSPS)</b> <b>(6 Credits Required)</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>
APUS General Education SSPS Course Choice	POL 1050 Introduction to Government and Politics	3	
APUS General Education SSPS Course Choice	SOC 1010 Introduction to Sociology (APUS SOCI111)	3	
<b>Mathematics and Applied Reasoning (MAAR)</b> <b>(3 Credits Required)</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
APUS General Education MAAR Course Choice	CSM Math Option*	3	
<b>Natural Sciences with Lab (NASC)</b> <b>(3 Credits Required)</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
APUS General Education NASC Course Choice	CSM Biological/Physical Sciences Option* <i>(APUS Recommends ENV1300)</i>	3	

Electives (48 Credits Required)		24	24
	WFS 1701 Personal Health and Fitness (APUS PBHE209)	3	
	HLS 2320 Legal Impact of Terrorism	3	
	HLS 2330 Principles, History, and Politics of Emergency Management (APUS EDMG101)	3	
	ACC 1015 Fundamentals of Accounting Practice (APUS ACCT100)	3	
	HST 1036 The US and 20th Century World Affairs	3	
	ENV 1300L Environmental Science Lab	1	
	BAD 2710 Human Relations and Leadership (APUS HRMT101)	3	
	CSM Electives	5	
Major Requirements (18 Credits Required)		9	9
HLSS300: Research Methods in Homeland Security Studies			3
HLSS302: Introduction to Homeland Security and Defense	HLS 1015 Introduction to Homeland Security	3	
HLSS310: Critical Infrastructure Protection	HLS 2350 Critical Infrastructure Protection	3	
HLSS311: Border and Coastal Security			3
HLSS320: Intelligence and Homeland Security	HLS 2340 Intelligence Operations	3	
HLSS322: Homeland Security Legal and Ethical Issues			3
General Concentration Requirements (24 Credits Required)		6	18
See catalog for course options	HLSS 2360 History and Overview of Weapons of Mass Destruction (APUS HLSS212)	3	
	HLS 2300 Terrorism: Security Issues (APUS SCMT319)	3	
Final Program Requirement (3 Credits Required)		0	3
HLSS498: Senior Seminar in Homeland Security	<b>MUST BE TAKEN AS FINAL COURSE</b>		3
120 Credits Needed for Graduation		60	60
<p><i>*Credit variances in academic placement and credit award can occur based on student course selections and APUS' program requirements.</i></p> <p><i>**Any transferable course not used to fulfill General Education or Major/Concentration requirements may be taken. Please note remedial/developmental and vocational credit is not transferrable.</i></p> <p><b>Note:</b> In order to transfer courses to APUS, the student must earn a grade of "C" or better.</p>			

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