

**Transfer Admission Memorandum of Understanding (MOU):
Piedmont Virginia Community College Honors Program and
Mary Baldwin University Global Honor Scholars Program**

Purpose

Graduates of Piedmont Virginia Community College with a transfer associate degree and 15 credit hours of Honors courses or the Honors Diploma may transfer directly into Mary Baldwin University as Global Honor Scholars, due to a special arrangement between the two institutions.

This memorandum of understanding (MOU) facilitates the transfer of honors students between Piedmont Virginia Community College (PVCC) and Mary Baldwin University (MBU).

Eligibility

To be eligible for admission to MBU as Global Honor Scholars (GHS), PVCC students must:

- Complete an Associate of Arts (AA) or a transfer-oriented Associate of Science (AS) degree at PVCC.
- Earn the PVCC Honors Diploma based on 15 credits of honors courses completed with a GPA of 3.50 or better.
- Be admitted to MBU
- Present a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.50 (4.0 scale) upon application to MBU and upon graduation from PVCC.
 - If a student has attended multiple institutions, they must have earned a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.50 on a 4.0 scale at PVCC and all previous institutions.
 - All work attempted at PVCC and any other institution(s) attended will be included in the GPA considered by MBU.
 - Eligible transfer students must provide transcripts from all institutions attended.
- Complete an interview with the GHS program director or a designated faculty member.

Implementation

- MBU GHS will recognize six honors credits completed in PVCC Honors and apply them as six credits of electives in honors courses towards the nine required at MBU. Additional PVCC honors courses may count for general education and/or major requirements as determined by consultation with the GHS Program Director.
- The program description and requirements may be found at <https://marybaldwin.edu/academics/honors/>
- MBU GHS may complete an honors degree in any of the university's undergraduate majors.

- To earn the MBU honors degree, PVCC transfer candidates to GHS must complete the lab science and intermediate-level foreign language requirements if they have not already done so.
- PVCC honors transfer students must also successfully defend the honors thesis in their senior year to earn the honors degree.
- If any of the requirements of the MBU GHS Program are modified subsequent to the signing of this MOU, PVCC transfer students will be held to the revised requirements. Any PVCC transfer student accepted into the MBU GHS Program under this agreement shall be bound by the requirements in effect at the time of acceptance.
- This MOU shall commence on July 1, 2019, with the intent to admit the first students in August 2019 or as soon thereafter as administratively possible.
- Students who did not have not earned at least 15 credits of honor's courses at PVCC may still be admitted to the MBU GHS Program on a case-by-case basis.

Benefits

PVCC transfer students who are admitted to MBU's GHS Program will be eligible for the following:

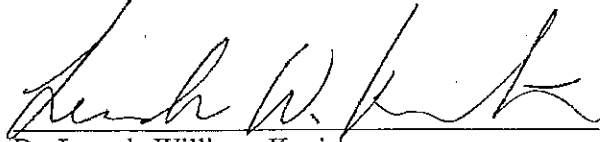
- graduation with the Honors Degree upon successful completion of all requirements as listed above. The notation will appear on the student's transcript and diploma.
- participation in all GHS activities, events, organizations, and benefits
- priority registration,
- priority reservation of library study carrels

Notice of Change or Termination

Either institution may withdraw from this MOU by notifying the other no less than one academic year before the intended date of termination. No further admissions shall be made under this MOU after such notice is given, but students already admitted to MBU will be allowed to transfer into the MBU GHS Program.

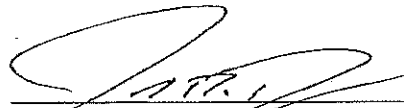
ATTEST:

Piedmont Virginia Community College



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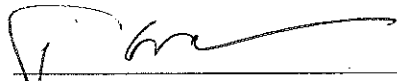
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Vice President of Instruction and Student Services

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Date

Mary Baldwin University



Ty F. Buckman, PhD
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Nadine Gergel-Hackett, PhD
Director, Global Honor Scholars Program

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Date