

**North Hennepin Community College
and Metropolitan State University
First College
Articulation Agreement Regarding:
Paralegal, A.S. Degree**

This agreement has been entered into by North Hennepin Community College and Metropolitan State University (First College) for the benefit of students and prospective students at the two institutions.

The purpose of the agreement is to provide a pathway for students to pursue an Individualized Bachelor of Arts degree from Metropolitan State University (First College), and to insure programs of high academic quality, to encourage student achievement, to facilitate the transfer of course credits, and to provide a smooth transition from one related degree program to the other.

Program Articulation

1. For graduation, students will need to complete a total of 124 semester credits including at least 40 upper division credits. A minimum of 30 semester credits must be completed while at Metropolitan State University.
2. The courses required for the Paralegal A.S. Program at North Hennepin Community College and their relationship to Metropolitan State requirements are listed in Attachment A.
3. Community college courses will be accepted toward meeting Metropolitan State University general education requirements consistent with Minnesota Transfer curriculum and goal areas.
4. All Metropolitan State students must complete eight upper-division credits of liberal studies course work.

Duration of Agreement

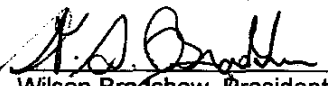
This agreement becomes effective upon the date it is signed and remains in effect until terminated by either party. It may be terminated or amended for succeeding academic years by either institution on or before June 30 of each year.

Persons Responsible/Evaluation

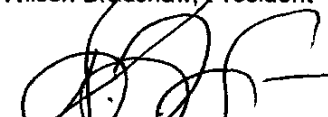
The Dean of First College at Metropolitan State University and the Director of the Paralegal Program at North Hennepin Community College will be responsible for implementing this articulation agreement. Each institution will conduct an outcomes assessment, and the persons responsible will meet regularly to review the agreements.

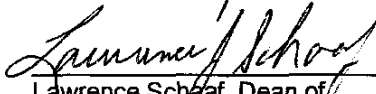
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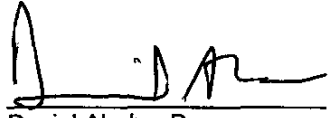
**North Hennepin Community
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Wilson Bradshaw, President 8/10/06
Date


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Business and Technology
Career Programs 8/2/06
Date


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First College 8/9/06
Date


Martha Sartoris, Director
Paralegal Program 8-2-06
Date


John Burton, Department
Chair 8/8/06
Date

**Paralegal, A.S. Degree
North Hennepin Community College**

Program Core Requirements:

Pleg 1111 Basic Law I – 4 cr.
Pleg 1112 Basic Law II – 3 cr.
Pleg 1310 Litigation – 4 cr.
Pleg 1320 Evidence and Investigation – 3 cr.
Pleg 1330 Domestic Relations – 2 cr.
Pleg 2211 Legal Research and Writing I – 3 cr.
Pleg 2212 Legal Research and Writing II – 3 cr.
Pleg 2410 Business Organizations – 2 cr.
Pleg 2620 Property – 3 cr.
Pleg 2710 Wills/Estate Administration – 3 cr.
Pleg 2910 Legal Practicum – 2 cr. or Pleg 2920 Internship – 2 cr.

Program Electives:

Pleg 1990 Special Topics – 1 cr.
Pleg 1210 Computer Applications in the Law Office – 2 cr.
Pleg 2810 Employment Search – 1 cr.

Total Requirements and Electives: 32 Credits

General Education Courses:

Goal 1: Engl 1111 Freshman English I – 3 cr.
Engl 1112 Freshman English II – 3 cr.
Engl 1910 Advanced Composition – 3 cr.
Spch 1010 Fund. of Public Speaking – 3 cr.
Goal 4: Phil 1050 Intro to Logic – 3 cr.
Goal 5: Psyc 1150 General Psychology – 3 cr.
Goal 5 and 9: PolS 1100 American Government: Citizen Politics – 3 cr.

MnTC Electives:

Humanities and Fine Arts – 3 cr.
Natural Science or Mathematical/Logical Reasoning – 3 cr.
Additional General Education – 5 cr.

Total General Education: 32 Credits

Transfer of credits to Metropolitan State University will be accepted as follows:

- **32 credits from the program core requirements and electives to be included in the First College individualized degree plan focus area.**
- **32 General Education credits.**
- **Total accepted in transfer for the Associate in Science Degree is 64 credits.**

Students admitted to First College must complete PRSP 301 Perspectives: Educational Philosophy and Planning and PRSP 499 First College Capstone as a part of their degree program.