# ARTICULATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN RICHARD BLAND COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY

#### AND

#### **GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY**

#### **SECTION I: PURPOSE**

George Mason University (Mason) will offer admission to Richard Bland College of William and Mary (RBC) students according to the terms of this Agreement. The purpose of this Agreement is to facilitate and communicate a clear pathway for admission to RBC students who intend to graduate with RBC Associate of Art or Associate of Science degrees and transfer directly to Mason to earn the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in Criminology, or Global Affairs or the Bachelor of Science degree in Business, or Computational and Data Sciences, or Psychology. RBC students will follow the approved academic pathways, Appendices A – E. Only those RBC students who meet all the terms of this Agreement will be guaranteed admission. Students who present strong academic records but do not meet the terms of this Agreement may be considered for regular transfer admission.

## **SECTION II: ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Mason accepts transfer applications for the fall and spring semesters. Applicants should:

- Apply by June 1 for fall admission. Fall applicants are expected to graduate in May. Summer graduates are not considered for fall admission.
- Apply by October 1 for spring admission. Spring applicants are expected to graduate in December.
- Present a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5 upon application to Mason and graduation from RBC.
- ENGL 101 and ENGL 102 and one of the following MATH courses (110, 200, 217, or 251) must be completed with grades of C or better before applying to Mason.
- Complete a minimum of 40 college-level credits toward the associate degree at RBC.
- If all coursework for the associate degree is not completed at RBC, a 2.5 GPA is required on all prior college coursework for admission.
- Provide the Mason Office of Admissions with a final RBC transcript reflecting the degree conferral date.

## SECTION III: MASON VIRGINIA PROMISE GRANT

Richard Bland College students admitted under this agreement are eligible for the Mason Virginia Promise Grant. The grant combined with other sources of gift aid, will meet the cost of standard tuition and fees. Eligible students must:

- Be residents of Virginia enrolled fulltime
- File a FAFSA or VASA by the deadline
- Be eligible for Virginia State grants and/or Federal Aid
- Have a family income of \$60,000 or less, or be eligible for a Pell Grant, and an EFC less than \$25,000

#### SECTION IV: EXCLUSIONS TO THE ADMISSION AGREEMENT

- a. The Admissions Committee reserves the right to deny admission or the benefits of this Agreement to students who have been suspended, dismissed, or expelled for academic or nonacademic reasons from any college or university. Under this Agreement, admission is only offered to students who graduate from RBC and transfer directly to Mason. Students who attend other institutions after RBC may be considered for regular transfer admission.
- b. High school students who have earned an associate degree concurrent with high school graduation are not eligible for admission under the terms of this Agreement. Such students are considered first-year applicants with transfer credit.

#### **SECTION IV: TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT**

- This Agreement will go into effect for those RBC students entering Mason for the fall 2024 semester. The initial term of the Agreement shall be for a period of three academic (3) years, commencing for those RBC students entering Mason for the fall 2024 semester and ending with the conclusion of the spring 2027 semester. The Agreement shall automatically renew for successive one (1) year periods unless terminated by either party as set forth below.
- Either party may terminate this agreement by providing written notice to the other party of an intention to terminate. Such notice will be effective only if given 120 days prior to the intended date of termination. If this Agreement is terminated, the terms of the Agreement contained herein will remain in effect for the maximum of 2 years.
- This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding of the Parties with respect to the subject matter herein and supersedes all prior oral or written Agreements with respect to the subject matter herein. This Agreement may be amended, as needed, for specific program articulation without affecting the currency of the master Agreement.
- All transfer students are subject to the enrollment and academic policies outlined in the George Mason University Catalog.
- Mason and the RBC agree to review this Agreement every three years. Each institution will
  designate an individual to serve as liaison for the purpose of monitoring this Agreement.
- The Institutional Research Offices at RBC and Mason agree to share transfer student data in support of this Agreement.

# **APPROVED**

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Richard Bland College of William and Mary

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Date: July 1, 2024

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Vice Provost of Academic Affairs

George Mason University

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