# ARTICULATION AGREEMENT EARLY CHILDHOOD ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

#### LAKE MICHIGAN COLLEGE

AND

### WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

### STATEMENT OF COOPERATION

Lake Michigan College (LMC) and the Board of Trustees of Western Michigan University (WMU) wish to cooperatively facilitate the transfer of LMC students to the Western Michigan University College of Education and Human Development Bachelor of Science degree program in Early Childhood Elementary Education. This WMU program can be completed at either the WMU Southwest regional location in Benton Harbor or the main WMU campus in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Lake Michigan College and Western Michigan University are accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, a subcommittee of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. WMU's education program is accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation. This Agreement is effective Tune 28, 2016.

Lake Michigan College and Western Michigan University hereby agree as follows:

- 1. **Maintaining Integrity of Programs.** Lake Michigan College and Western Michigan University will maintain the integrity of their separate programs.
- 2. Acceptance of Designated LMC Courses. WMU agrees to accept designated LMC courses toward completion of the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Elementary Education degree program. The approved course requirements for this articulated program are specified on the last page of this document.
- 3. Advising of LMC Students Advising of LMC students regarding admission and program requirements of Western Michigan University will be the joint responsibility of the advising staff at LMC and the Admissions and Advising staff in the College of Education and Human Development at WMU. The College of Education and Human Development Admissions and Advising Office is designated as the WMU point of contact (ph. 269-387-3474). Each institution will monitor the academic performance of students enrolling under this agreement, and toward the goal of identifying problems or issues that may interfere with the successful transfer of LMC students to WMU.
- 4. **Communication** Lake Michigan College and Western Michigan University agree to cooperate in communicating with each other and with their common and respective publics concerning the established relationship between the two institutions.
  - Any marketing of the articulation in print will be subject to the prior approval of both parties and must comply with Higher Learning Commission requirements. Each institution will assume responsibility for appropriate marketing to reach their respective student and faculty populations.
  - Faculty and staff at both institutions will communicate information about this agreement to students and prospective students.

- LMC may provide at its website a link to the Western Michigan University College of Education and Human Development website.
- 5. Length of Agreement This agreement will become effective upon the execution of signatures by the responsible authority for each institution, and shall remain in effect until such time as either party wishes to terminate. The agreement shall be honored for two academic years immediately following the notification to terminate so students currently under the agreement may finish their plan of study.
- 6. **Review and Modification of the Agreement** Each institution will notify the other of any contemplated curricular changes that would affect the future of this agreement. Changes include those needing to be made pending any changes in the State of Michigan requirements for teacher certification.
- 7. Exchange of Information Western Michigan University and Lake Michigan College agree to exchange transfer student information for the purpose of monitoring and enhancing student academic success. The information may also be used to enhance curricular offerings. At no time will Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) regulations or requirements be violated.

### SIGNATURE OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES AT THE COOPERATING INSTITUTIONS

For The Board of Trustees of

Western Michigan University

John M. Dunn

President

Western Michigan University

Date: <u>6/9/</u>

Timothy J. Greene

Provost and VP for Academic Affairs

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### Lake Michigan College – WMU Early Childhood Education Elementary Education (K-5; ZS Endorsement)

**Articulation Agreement and Transfer Guide** 

### **Program Description**

Lake Michigan College's Early Childhood Elementary Education program prepares students to transfer to Western Michigan University to pursue their Bachelor of Science with a major in Early Childhood Elementary Education. The Early Childhood Elementary Education major is designed for students intending to work with children, birth through grade 5.

LMC's curriculum includes general education and subject area courses, professional preparation, and field experience. This program prepares students to work with diverse learners, including young children with special needs in the preschool and elementary school setting. Students also gain the knowledge and experience to apply technology in the 21<sup>st</sup> century classroom.

With successful completion of the early childhood elementary education curriculum at WMU, students meet state requirements for a Michigan Provisional Elementary Teacher's Certificate (K-5 grades) and the Early Childhood Endorsement (ZS). With a ZS endorsement, a teacher is qualified to teach in general education early childhood classrooms, inclusive early childhood classrooms, in early childhood special education classrooms, and at work sites that serve young children and families.

It is recommended that potential applicants meet with an advisor every semester to review degree requirements, course schedule, and to address any questions prior to completing the application.

### **General Admissions**

To be admitted to the Early Childhood Elementary Education program at WMU, students must meet the following criteria:

- Completion of 35 credits
- Completion of all WMU intellectual skills development requirements (e.g. MATH 1090, LS 1040, ENGL 1000) if required (\*These are equivalent to the LMC courses that are basic, such as MATH 095)
- Completion of an approved college-level writing course with a grade of "C" or better
- Completion of ED 2500: Human Development (LMC Equivalent: PSYC 203 OR 204), or an approved course, with a grade of "CB" or better
- Achievement of a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better
- Achievement of passing scores on the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification—<u>Professional Readiness Exam</u>
   #96 formerly Basic Skills Test or considered to have passed via <u>alternative pass measures</u>
- Completion of background check through Castlebranch at <a href="https://portal.castlebranch.com/wc48">https://portal.castlebranch.com/wc48</a>
  - o Submission of Judgment of Sentence or Register of Action for any convictions, if necessary
- Completion and submission of a formal application to the Office of Admissions and Advising, 2421 Sangren Hall,
   Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5275

### Location

This program can be completed at either the Western Michigan University Southwest Campus in Benton Harbor, MI or the main campus of Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, MI.





## Lake Michigan College – WMU Early Childhood Elementary Education (K-5; ZS Endorsement)

Associate in Applied Science to Bachelor of Science Articulation Agreement and Transfer Guide

Lake Michigan College				
Course	WMU	LMC Course Titles	Cred./Cont.	
	Equiv.		Hours	
ENGL 101	ENGL CR	English Composition	3 (3-0)	
ENGL 102	ENGL 1050	English Composition	3 (3-0)	
POSC 101	PSCI 2000	National Government	3 (3-0)	
GEOG 100	GEOG 1020	World Region. Geography	4 (4-0)	
PHED 212	PEGN 1720	Health & Fitness	3 (3-1)	
OR	OR	OR	Or	
PHED 214	HPHE 1110	Personal Health	3 (3-0)	
HIST 201	HIST 2100	American History to 1865	3 (3-0)	
PSYC 201	PSY 1000	Introduction to Psychology	3 (3-0)	
PSYC 203 OR	PSY 1600	Human Development OR	3 (3-0)	
PSYC 204	PSY 1600	Child Development		
BUSA 200	ECON 1000	Intro. to Economics	3 (3-0)	
PHED 208	HPHE 3400	Intro. to Elem. Phys. Ed.	2 (2-0)	
HUMN 201	TGE D1	Intro to the Arts	3 (3-0)	
ELCH 212	FCS 5750	Administration of Early	3 (3-0)	
		Childhood Programs		
BIOL 170	BIOS 1700	Life Science for Elementary	3 (2-3)	
		Teachers		
PHSC 180	PHYS 1800	Physical Science for	3 (2-3)	
		Elementary Teachers		
PHSC 190	GEOG 1900	Earth Science for	3 (2-3)	
		Elementary Teachers		
PHSC 280	CHEM 2800	Physical Science for	3 (2-3)	
		Elementary Teachers II		
MATH 200	MATH	Math for Elementary	4 (4-0)	
	1500	Teachers		
MATH 210	MATH	Geometry for Elementary	4 (4-0)	
	1510	Teachers		
MATH 265	MATH	Probability & Statistics for	4 (4-0)	
	2650	Elementary Teachers		
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS			60	

W	estern Michigan University	
Course	WMU Course Titles	Cr.
		Hrs.
ED 2900	K-8 Teaching as a Profession	3
ED 3090	Ed Psych of Early Childhood	3
ED 3690	ECH Classroom Org/Mgmt.	3
LS 3770	Literacy I	3
LS 3780	Literacy II	3
HIST 3020 or	World History to 1500 OR	3
HIST 3290	Michigan History	
ENGL 3830	Literature, Intermediate	4
	Reader	
MATH 3520	Teaching Elementary School	3
	Math	
EDT 3470	Technology for Elementary	2
	Education	
ENGL 3690	Writing: Elementary School	4
ED 3500	Young Child/Family/Society	3
SPED 4270	Learners with Disabilities	3
ES 3950	School & Society	3
HPHE 3520	Teaching Health in the	2
	Elementary School	
ED 4010	Teaching Elementary Science	3
ED 4070	Soc. Stud. /Multicultural Ed.	3
ED 4300	Creativity	3
ED 4090 and	Seminar in Early Childhood Ed.	1
ED 4700	Intern Teaching: Early	5
	Childhood	
ED 3710 and	Elem. Classroom Org/Mgmt.	3
ED 4500	Pre-Internship in Elementary	3
	Education	
ED 4100	Seminar in Education	2
ED 4710	Internship	10
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		