# Baccalaureate College Articulation Agreements

## Clarkson University

Mercyhurst University has established an agreement with Clarkson University in Potsdam, New York whereby qualified graduates of Mercyhurst have the opportunity to obtain the MBA degree at Clarkson with only one additional year of study. Any Mercyhurst University graduate meeting the following minimum admission standards will be accepted for admission to the One Year MBA program in the year immediately following the completion of her/his degree requirements. At the time of admission, the applicant: (1) must have a GMAT or GRE score above the 50th percentile and (2) a grade point average of "B" in upper division business courses. All applicants must complete foundation course requirements prior to their One Year MBA program at Clarkson University. Students at Mercyhurst University should endeavor to complete these foundation courses as part of their undergraduate program. The 4+1 plan offers the Mercyhurst graduate an opportunity to plan her/his academic program carefully and to take advantage of the total educational experience afforded by full-time study for the MBA degree with a minimum of additional expense and time. Following five years of study, the graduate will have obtained both an undergraduate degree from Mercyhurst University and an MBA from Clarkson University. Interested students should contact the Walker School of Business faculty liaison with Clarkson University for more detailed information and application forms.

## Corry Higher Education Council

A student who completes all coursework in the Corry Regional Leadership Program is eligible to be awarded three undergraduate credits for MGMT 300, Leadership in Organizations. Evidence of completion of coursework from the Corry Leadership program must be supplied to the university in the form of a transcript or some other official document.

## Duquesne University

Duquesne University Law School in Pittsburgh and Mercyhurst University have a "3-3 program", in which after three years of academic study at Mercyhurst University, and subject to specific conditions which are a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 for three years at Mercyhurst (96 credit hours), completion of all undergraduate curriculum in major field and liberal studies requirements, a minimum LSAT score in the 60th percentile (155+), be recommended by the Vice-President of Academic Affairs and participate in an interview with the Dean of Admissions of Duquesne University School of Law for completion of the J.D. degree. Each student in this early admission program will be awarded a Bachelor's Degree by Mercyhurst University after successful completion of the first year at the Duquesne University School of Law.

## D'Youville College

Students who graduate with a bachelor's degree from Mercyhurst University's Sportsmedicine department in the pre-physical therapy concentration and meet the requirements listed below may utilize one of the 10 contractually guaranteed slots in the D'Youville College Doctorate of Physical Therapy program. Guaranteed admission is offered provided the student has:

- A minimum Mercyhurst overall cumulative grade point average of 3.40.
- A 3.40 in all pre-requisite courses with no grade in any prerequisite course below a "C".
- Completed 100 hours of documented physical therapy observation hours prior to acceptance at D'Youville College.
- Meet all other admissions requirements and technical standards as defined in the D'Youville College graduate academic catalog.

## Fashion Institute of Technology

The Fashion Institute of Technology (F.I.T.) is a fully accredited educational institution offering programs in a variety of areas including Fashion Merchandising. F.I.T. sponsors a visiting student program which allows students from other schools throughout the United States to study for a full year, an opportunity which provides excellent social, cultural, and professional advantages. Students studying for a full year at F.I.T. will graduate with an associate degree from F.I.T. in addition to their baccalaureate degree from Mercyhurst. Prior to applying to participate in the F.I.T. visiting student

program, Mercyhurst students must consult with the director of the Fashion Merchandising program. Students apply in December the year before attendance, which can be either junior or senior year. F.I.T. sets minimum standards for acceptance, which is a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0 or higher. This G.P.A. does not guarantee acceptance however F.I.T retains the right to access transcripts from all universities attended and selects the most qualified students. Erin Magorien is the Mercyhurst/F.I.T. liaison.

## Gannon University

Students who graduate with a bachelor's degree from Mercyhurst University's Sportsmedicine department in the pre-physical therapy concentration and meet the requirements listed below may utilize one of the two contractually guaranteed slots in the Gannon University Doctorate of Physical Therapy program. Guaranteed admission is offered provided the student has:

- A minimum Mercyhurst overall cumulative grade point average of 3.20.
- A 3.00 in all pre-requisite courses with no grade in any prerequisite course below a "C".
- Meet all other admissions requirements and technical standards as defined in the Gannon University graduate academic catalog.

The pre-physical therapy student also has the availability to apply in their freshman year for the 3/3 expedited Bachelor of Science in Sportsmedicine and doctorate in physical therapy from Gannon University. One student will be selected by the Pre-Physical Therapy Coordinator and department chairperson for this opportunity.

## Jamestown Community College

Mercyhurst University and Jamestown Community College have entered into an articulation agreement that will allow students to matriculate into the Baccalaureate programs of Accounting, Business Management, Criminal Justice, or Biology at Mercyhurst University upon completion of an Associate degree at Jamestown Community College. This articulation is contingent upon the student/students meeting academic standards identified by Mercyhurst as follows:

- Successful transfer students must have a minimum cumulative 2.0 gpa in all attempted courses at the post-secondary level
- Transfer students must achieve a minimum grade point average of 2.75 in their transferred courses for the major.

## Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM)

### Dental

Mercyhurst University and the Lake Erie University of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) School of Dentistry have formed an affiliation agreement that pledges our commitment to the training of future dentists by giving students the opportunity for acceptance in a program coming out of high school to complete their dental education in two phases. Phase I consists of four years of undergraduate education at Mercyhurst University, and Phase II consists of four years of dental education at LECOM School of Dentistry. In consultation with an advisor, a program of study that follows the guidelines stipulated in the plan of agreement will be created.

### Medicine

Mercyhurst University and the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) School of Medicine have an affiliation agreement that pledges our commitment to the training of future medical practitioners by giving students the opportunity to complete their medical education in two phases. Phase I consists of three years of undergraduate and pre-med education at Mercyhurst University, and Phase II consists of four years of medical education at LECOM School of Medicine. In consultation with an advisor, a program of study that follows the guidelines stipulated in the plan of agreement will be created.

### Pharmacy

Mercyhurst University and the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) School of Pharmacy have an affiliation agreement that pledges our commitment to the training of future pharmacy practitioners by giving students the opportunity to complete their pharmacy education in two phases. Phase I consists of two or three years of undergraduate and pre-pharmacy education at Mercyhurst University, and Phase II consists of three years of

pharmacy education at LECOM School of Pharmacy. In consultation with an advisor, a program of study that follows the guidelines stipulated in the plan of agreement will be created.

## New York Chiropractic University

Mercyhurst University and New York Chiropractic University have entered into an affiliation agreement that will allow students to matriculate into the Doctor of Chiropractic Medicine program at New York Chiropractic University following their third year of study at Mercyhurst University. This matriculation is contingent upon successful completion of transition requirements which are available on the biology department website and can be obtained from the Pre-Health Advisor at Mercyhurst University. Upon successful completion of the student's first year at New York Chiropractic University, a bachelor of arts degree in biology will be awarded to the student from Mercyhurst University.

## Ohio University

Mercyhurst University and the Ohio University of Podiatric Medicine have entered into an affiliation agreement that will allow students to matriculate into the Doctor of Podiatric Medicine program at the Ohio University of Podiatric Medicine following their third year of study at Mercyhurst University. This matriculation is contingent upon successful completion of transition requirements, which are available on the biology department website and can be obtained from the Pre-Health Advisor at Mercyhurst University. Upon successful completion of the student's first year at the Ohio University of Podiatric Medicine, a bachelor of arts degree in biology will be awarded to the student from Mercyhurst University. Following successful completion of three years of study at the Ohio University of Podiatric Medicine, the student will be awarded their doctoral degree in Podiatric Medicine.

## Philadelphia College of Medicine (PCOM)

Mercyhurst University has an affiliation agreement with the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. Phase I consists of three years of undergraduate and pre-medical education at Mercyhurst University, and Phase II consists of four years of medical education at PCOM. After successful completion of the baccalaureate of arts or baccalaureate of science phase I portion at Mercyhurst and the first year of the PCOM component the applicable baccalaureate degree in biology is awarded. After successful completion of the remaining phase II component at PCOM, a medical doctorate is awarded.

## Rochester Institute of Technology

Mercyhurst University has established an agreement with Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) whereby qualified students who have earned a Bachelor degree can accelerate their MBA program. A maximum of six MBA foundation courses may be waived. A grade of "B" or better in the undergraduate courses may qualify for waiver of graduate level coursework. The courses must also be no older than five years upon matriculation into the MBA degree program. Students must apply to RIT for admission into the program and meet the required minimum GMAT and GPA requirements.

## Saint Vincent Health System

Mercyhurst University maintains an affiliation with Saint Vincent Medical Center that gives students the opportunities for accelerated completion of degree requirements to enter the workforce as a Medical Technologist. The student will complete three years at Mercyhurst University and one year and Saint Vincent Medical Technology program, after which time the student will earn a bachelors degree from Mercyhurst. Inquiries into this special program should be directed to the Pre-Health Advisor at smauro@mercyhurst.edu.

## Syracuse University

Mercyhurst University has established a Memorandum of Understanding with Syracuse University in Syracuse, New York whereby qualified graduates of Mercyhurst have the opportunity to pursue the MBA degree with credentials other than work experience and with the referral of a faculty member from their undergraduate major. The Whitman School of Management at Syracuse University, through its Whitman MBA Advantage Program, provides exceptionally talented prospective students the opportunity to take advantage of the total educational experience afforded by full-time study for the MBA degree ahead of their peers. A small cohort of seats will be reserved for students who apply to

the Whitman School through the Whitman Advantage MBA Program. Prior academic performance and demonstrated leadership potential will receive considerable weight in the admissions process. Minimum admissions standards for the Whitman MBA Advantage applicants are:

- GMAT exam: 650 or above/Cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above
- Strength in qualitative measures of the application (i.e., letters of recommendation, essays, resume)
- Meaningful business-related experiences with demonstrated level of responsibility
- Strong leadership, team, and interpersonal skills

Students who are admitted and enroll in the MBA program through the Whitman Advantage Program will be reimbursed for their application fee and GMAT exam costs. Additionally, students meeting the above requirements will be considered for a merit scholarship. Interested students should contact the Walker School of Business faculty liaison with Syracuse University for more detailed information and application forms.

## University of Pittsburgh

Qualified Mercyhurst undergraduates from the School of Social Sciences may apply, and may receive conditional admission to GSPIA, up to a year earlier than the general public - after completing only three years of undergraduate education (or the equivalent). These students will learn their admission status prior to entering their fourth (senior) years as undergraduates. Those who are admitted will also be guaranteed a minimum scholarship award of $5,000/year, to be increased at GSPIA's discretion. Both the admission and scholarship offers will be contingent upon completion of a Mercyhurst University bachelor's degree, with an acceptable academic and personal record, within one year of the date of admission. Accepted students will not be obligated to enroll at GSPIA, but will receive the "early assurance" that their seats in the class are being held for them.