

**Exigency Transfer Agreement Between
Hampshire College and Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts**

EFFECTIVE DATE----- 2022

Hampshire College and Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, both institutions of higher education accredited by the New England Commission on Higher Education ("NECHE"), enter into this Exigency Transfer Agreement to enable eligible currently enrolled Hampshire College students to complete a baccalaureate degree at Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein. Both Hampshire College and Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts enter into this Agreement with an understanding that the terms enumerated herein should serve as guidelines to foster student success.

Hampshire College and Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts agree to the following:

1. The Agreement becomes effective in the event that: Hampshire College notifies Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts that Hampshire College is no longer able to continue its instructional program; such notice is provided by Hampshire College to Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts at least one full semester before Hampshire College ceases providing any instructional programs in which students are enrolled; and NECHE and the DHE have approved all terms and conditions of this Agreement.

2. The obligations described in this Agreement shall terminate on the date when either of the following conditions have occurred ("Termination Date"):

- a. Each Hampshire student accepted by and matriculated into Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts pursuant to this Agreement has either: graduated from Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts; transferred from Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts to another institution; or otherwise has failed to be continuously enrolled at Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts for more than one semester (excepting students on medical or personal leaves approved by Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts); or
- b. Six years from the date when this Agreement goes into effect.

3. Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts will waive admission application fees for Hampshire College students applying for transfer admission after this Agreement goes into effect.

a. Hampshire College students will be required to submit an online application and provide official transcripts of all undergraduate coursework. Official documents received directly from Hampshire College will be acceptable.

b. International students must also provide official TOEFL or IELTS scores, transcript evaluations (if applicable), and affidavit of financial support, copy of passport and visa, I-94, and SEVIS Transfer Eligibility Verification Form in order to be able to transfer under this Agreement.

c. The application deadline and the date of matriculation will be set by Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts based on the date when this Agreement goes into effect

Any Hampshire College student who fails to apply, be accepted, and matriculate at Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts by these dates shall be excluded from this Agreement.

4. Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts will accept only matriculated Hampshire College students who are in good academic and disciplinary standing at Hampshire College as of the date of application; remain in good academic and disciplinary standing through the date of matriculation to Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, and who meet the minimum eligibility requirements of the applicable academic program(s) at Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts.

5. The academic leadership of Hampshire College and Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts shall work together in good faith to identify appropriate transfer admissions criteria for Hampshire College student transferees.

6. Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts will make a good faith effort to accommodate as many transfer credits as possible for each Hampshire College student transferee, including internships, practica and other evaluated learning activities, while maintaining Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts's academic standards. The academic leadership of Hampshire College and Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts shall work together to identify the coursework of each Hampshire College student transferee that would satisfy the applicable curricular requirements of Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts. Furthermore, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts will waive its residency requirement for Hampshire College students transferring during this agreement.

7. Until the Termination Date, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts will assess tuition, fees, room, board, and other charges for Hampshire College students on the same basis as all other transfer students and will apply the same standards, practices, and policies of eligibility for financial aid as all other transfer students. Hampshire students transferring to MCLA will be billed to the equivalent of the New England Board of Higher Education proximity rate. Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts will make every effort to match the institutional financial aid awards for any Hampshire College student transferring in to Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, if any, granted to the student by Hampshire College during the year this Agreement goes into effect such that their bill will not be greater than that year's Hampshire College bill.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement by their duly authorized representatives, effective as of the date above written:

HAMPSHIRE COLLEGE

MASSACHUSETTS COLLEGE OF
LIBERAL ARTS

Name: Ed Wingenbach, President

Name: James F. Birge, President



Date: 5/5/22

Date: 5/10/22