



## **Internal Articulation Agreement**

### **Articulation Agreement between BA Psychology and MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track**

#### **I. Statement of Purpose**

- a. This Internal Articulation Agreement (the “agreement”) has been entered into by the BA Psychology and MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track programs at The Chicago School of Professional Psychology (the “institution”). The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate credit articulation and provide a smooth transition from a degree program to a related, higher level degree. The agreement allows advanced BA Psychology students to substitute courses from BA Psychology with courses from MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track as specified in Appendix A, thus reducing the time and cost of degree completion for MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track. It is further recognized that the attached appendix shall describe the approved courses, and the admissions eligibility is specified in Paragraphs V and VI. This agreement identifies all required and equivalent courses.

#### **II. Terms and Conditions of Credit Transfer and/or Degree**

- a. The evaluation and transfer of earned college credits and/or degree credits shall be in full compliance with institutional policies and all other state and Federal education policies pertaining to credit transfer. Program specific requirements and/or required courses/degree are listed and defined in Appendix A of this agreement. Students will be subject to the required admissions requirements of MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track program. Students taking advantage of any benefits provided under this agreement remain subject to all other institutional policies and requirements not otherwise specifically addressed in this agreement.
- b. It is recommended that BA Psychology students indicate their interest in taking the selected courses in MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track a full year in advance to ensure availability of classes.

### **III. Length of the Agreement**

- a. This agreement shall be valid until December 31, 2024. Thereafter, the agreement will be reevaluated for renewal.
- b. Either degree program may terminate this agreement at any time, following institutional procedures.

### **IV. Details of Publication of Agreement**

- a. The details of this agreement will reside in the institution's Academic Catalog, and will include the process for articulation to another degree program, the specific courses, and the admission eligibility requirements.
- b. Program modifications affecting either program involved in this agreement may require re-evaluation and/or amendment of Appendix A subsequent to implementation.

### **V. Early Admission into MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track**

- a. Students must have completed at least 90 credit hours in BA Psychology to qualify for early admission to MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track under this agreement.
- b. In addition to the above requirement, student must also:
  - i. Have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
  - ii. Complete a successful admission interview with MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track department chair to include the student clearly demonstrating their motivation for earning the MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track.
  - iii. Meet professional comportment guidelines set forth in the Student Handbook and have no pending referrals to the Student Affairs Committee.



## **VI. Automatic Admission into MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track**

- a. Students completing the master's level courses listed below in Appendix A with a B- or higher on the first attempt will be auto-admitted to the MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track program as long as all other admission requirements have been met (to include Criminal Background Check if applicable).
- b. Master's degree courses taken by a student enrolled in a bachelor's degree program may count toward the graduation requirements of both programs (BA and MA) provided the grade received for the master's level course is a B- or higher (as required by The Chicago School Academic Grade Policy for graduate degrees). Students who earn a grade below a B- on a master's degree course that meets The Chicago School requirements of The Chicago School Academic Grade Policy for a passing grade in an undergraduate course will have the course counted toward the bachelor's degree. For courses with a grade lower than B-, the student will be required to retake the course for master's degree level credit once enrolled the master's degree program. Master's degree courses are graded according to The Chicago School graduate level grading policy.
- c. BA Psychology students qualifying to enroll in MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track courses under this agreement may enroll in some or all of the courses listed in the Appendix A Program Articulation Table.

## **VII. Enrollment in Master's Level Courses**

- a. Student must be accepted into MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track under the terms of this agreement before enrolling in MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track courses.
- b. Conferral of BA Psychology will require a total of 120 credit hours. Up to 18 credit hours may be applied from MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track per Appendix A. Student must apply for degree conferral once the graduation requirements are met. The standard degree conferral fee will apply.
- c. MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track courses taken while a student in BA Psychology will count toward the graduation



requirements of both programs, given grade requirements are met for graduate level courses.

## **VIII. Tuition**

- a. Students enrolled in MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track courses under this agreement will pay the BA Psychology tuition rate for MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track courses while enrolled in BA Psychology.

**IX. Appendix A**

- a. The following Program Articulation Table contains all academic details of courses and/or degree that are qualified for credit transfer under this agreement.

**Appendix A  
Program Articulation Table**

Up to 18 credit hours may be applied from MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track to the completion of BA Psychology.

<b>Course No.</b>	<b>MA Forensic Psychology Non-Licensure Track</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>	<b>Course No.</b>	<b>BA Psychology</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
FO611	Ethics and Professional Issues	3	BA4XX	BA Elective Course	3
FO612	Psychology of the Lifespan	3	BA4XX	BA Elective Course	3
FO613	Psychopathology	3	BA4XX	BA Elective Course	3
FO617	Clinical and Diagnostic Interviewing	3	BA4XX	BA Elective Course	3
FO703	Social and Cultural Foundations in Counseling	3	BA4XX	BA Elective Course	3
FO625	Assessment and Treatment of Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders	3	BA4XX	BA Elective Course	3



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