



## **Internal Articulation Agreement**

### **Articulation Agreement between BA Psychology and MA Forensic Psychology, 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, Licensure Track programs at The Chicago School (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, Licensure Track as specified in Appendix A, thus reducing the time and cost of degree completion for MA Forensic Psychology, 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, Licensure Track. 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, Licensure Track a full year in advance to ensure availability of classes.

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

- a. This agreement shall be valid until August 31, 2026. 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 Acceptance into MA Forensic Psychology, Licensure Track**

- a. Student must have completed at least 90 credit hours in BA Psychology to qualify for early acceptance to MA Forensic Psychology, 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. Meet professional comportment guidelines set forth in the Student Handbook and have no pending referrals to the Student Affairs Committee.
  - iii. Student must also complete an admission interview with the program chair or their designee where the student demonstrates a clear motivation for earning the MA Forensic Psychology: Professional Counselor Licensure Track degree and the ability to meet the professional comportment expectations of this licensure-based graduate school program.

#### **VI. Automatic Acceptance into MA Forensic Psychology, 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-accepted to the MA Forensic Psychology, Licensure Track master's 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, 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, Licensure Track under the terms of this agreement before enrolling in MA Forensic Psychology, Licensure Track courses.
- b. Conferral of BA Psychology will require a total of 120 credit hours. Up to 12 credit hours may be applied from MA Forensic Psychology, Licensure Track per Appendix A. Students must apply for degree conferral once the graduation requirements are met. The standard degree conferral fee will apply.
- c. MA Forensic Psychology, 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, Licensure Track courses under this agreement will pay the BA Psychology tuition rate for MA Forensic Psychology, 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 12 credit hours may be applied from MA Forensic Psychology, Licensure Track to the completion of BA Psychology.

Course No.	MA Forensic Psychology, Licensure Track	Credit Hours	Course No.	BA Psychology	Credit Hours
FO611	Ethics and Professional Issues	3	BA4XXX	BA Major Upper Division Elective	3
FO612	Human Growth and Development	3	BA4XXX	BA Major Upper Division Elective	3
FO613	Psychopathology	3	BA4XXX	BA Major Upper Division Elective	3
FO614	Research Methods	3	BA4XXX	BA Major Upper Division Elective	3
FO637	Theories of Counseling and Psychotherapy	3	BA4XXX	BA Major Upper Division Elective	3
FO703	Social and Cultural Foundations in Counseling	3	BA4XXX	BA Major Upper Division Elective	3