## 2+2 Articulation Agreement for Anne Arundel Community College and Towson University

Associate's Degree: A.A. in Gender and Sexuality Studies, Arts & Sciences Concentration

**Bachelor's Degree:** B.S. in Women's and Gender Studies

**Effective Term:** Fall 2020

## **Section 1: Course Completion Plan for AACC**

This section outlines the courses to take for the AACC general education (GER) and program requirements in order to complete both AACC and TU degrees within a total of 4 years and 120 credits. The following tables do not include any nontransferable or prerequisite coursework outside of the curriculum.

Table 1: General Education Courses Applied to TU Core Curriculum

AACC Requirement	AACC Course to Take	Credits	Towson University Equivalent Course
English Composition	ENG 101 Academic Writing and Research 1	3	ENGL 102 Writing for a Liberal Education
English Composition	ENG 102 Academic Writing and Research 2	3	ENGL TLL English Elective
Mathematics	Any 3-credit Mathematics GER course	3	Equivalency varies by course.
Arts & Humanities	Any COM course in Arts & Humanities	3	Equivalency varies by course.
Arts & Humanities	Any Sophomore Literature course	3	Equivalency varies by course.
Social & Behavioral Sciences	Any approved History course	3	Equivalency varies by course.
Social & Behavioral Sciences	Any non-HIS course in Social & Behavioral Sciences	3	Equivalency varies by course.
Biological & Physical Sciences	Any Biological & Physical Sciences course with a lab	4	Equivalency varies by course.
Biological & Physical Sciences	Any Biological & Physical Sciences course without a lab	3	Equivalency varies by course.
Technology Requirement	Any 3-credit Technology GER course	3	Equivalency varies by course.
Wellness Requirement	GSS 113 Women's Health	3	HLTH 219 Women's Health

## Total general education applied to the TU Core Curriculum: 34 credits

Completing the courses above will satisfy the general education program at AACC. TU will transfer these courses without a course-by-course match to the Core Curriculum requirements. See section 2 for details.

Table 2: Program Requirements and Electives Applied to TU Degree

AACC Requirement	AACC Course to Take	Credits	Towson University Equivalent Course
Program Requirement	GSS 101 Introduction to Women's Studies	3	WMST 231 Women in Perspective
Program Requirement	GSS 212 Introduction to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies	3	LGBT 101 Introduction to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies
Program Requirement	<ul> <li>Choose one course:</li> <li>GSS 169 Music, Power, and Gender</li> <li>GSS 210 Images of Women</li> <li>GSS 211 Gender and Mass Media in the U.S.</li> <li>GSS 228 Literature in English by Women</li> </ul>	3	<ul> <li>Equivalencies vary by course:</li> <li>MUSC 205 Women in Western Music</li> <li>WMST 240 Themes and Issues in Women's Studies</li> <li>EMF 205 Gender in Film and Media</li> <li>WMST TLL Women's Studies Elective</li> </ul>
Program Requirement	Choose one course:  GSS 213 Marriage and the Family GSS 216 Human Sexuality GSS 222 Psychology of Women GSS 223 Philosophy and Gender	3	Equivalencies vary by course:  ■ SOCI T01 The Family  ■ HLTH 220 Sexuality in a Diverse Society  ■ PSYC TLL Psychology Elective  ■ PHIL T32 Feminist Philosophy
Program Requirement	Any approved Gender & Sexuality Studies (GSS) elective courses	6	Equivalencies will vary by course.
Program Elective	Any transferable elective courses	8	Equivalencies will vary by course.

# Total program requirements applied to the TU degree: 26 credits Total transferred to TU: 60 credits

Students may transfer a maximum of 64 credits. If students do not adhere to the courses outlined above in Tables 1 and 2, they are not guaranteed completion of the bachelor's degree in 2 years. Refer to section 2 for specific course details and transfer planning information.

## Section 2: AACC Course Selection & Transfer Details

This section explains any specific course selections made in section 1 and provides transfer planning guidance specific to this degree plan. Students must follow the course selections outlined in this document. If students do not complete any or all of the courses outlined in this agreement, they will be required to complete outstanding requirements at TU.

#### **GENERAL EDUCATION**

The following information explains the transfer of students' general education coursework:

- When a specific course to take is not identified in Table 1, students may choose any course approved for that requirement by the AACC catalog. GER course selections are only specified if they are required by the AACC catalog and/or will apply to the major at TU.
- TU will recognize the courses in Table 1 (see section 1) as a completed general education program. Students will receive a core package that satisfies most of the TU Core Curriculum without the need for course-by-course placement in specific Core Curriculum requirements.
- Students will only need to complete two Core Curriculum requirements at TU: Advanced Writing Seminar (Core 9) and Ethical Perspectives (Core 14). These requirements may be satisfied in the major at TU depending on students' choice of Focus Area.

### PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Students must take **GSS 101 Introduction to Women's Studies** to satisfy the major requirement of WMST 231 Women in Perspective.

#### **PROGRAM ELECTIVES**

TU will apply 9 credits of GSS electives from AACC toward the Distribution Requirement. No more than two AACC courses will be applied to each Focus Area.

## **GENERAL ELECTIVES**

Students should confirm that the courses they take for elective credit are transferable to TU. They should consult with their academic advisor at AACC for assistance in selecting elective courses if needed. Per the AACC catalog, no more than 3 credits of physical activity courses may count as electives.

## LOWER-LEVEL EQUIVALENTS OF UPPER-LEVEL COURSES

A course number beginning with T indicates that it is a lower-level equivalent of an upper-level TU course. SOCI T01 and PHIL T32 will apply to the major as SOCI 301 and PHIL 332 if required, but they will not count toward the TU degree requirement for 32 upper-level units.

## Section 3: Degree Requirements to Be Completed at TU

This section outlines the remaining degree requirements to be completed at TU for students transferring into the Women's and Gender Studies major. This program is designed to allow flexibility in course choices based on students' academic and professional goals. The total number of units required between the Focus and Distribution areas may fluctuate due to variability in courses taken at AACC and students' choice of focus area. However, the overall number of units required to graduate will remain consistent. Refer to section 4 for university-wide degree requirements.

## **CORE CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS: 6 UNITS**

Core 9 Advanced Writing Seminar Core 14 Ethical Perspectives

## **REQUIRED COURSE: 3 UNITS**

WMST 337 Feminist Theory (3 units)

### **REQUIRED CULMINATING EXPERIENCE: 3 UNITS**

WMST 485 Seminar in Women's Studies (3 units)

#### **FOCUS AREA: 12 UNITS**

Select one of the following focus areas and complete four courses, 6 units of which must be WMST courses:

- Women, Gender, Culture, and Creativity
- Women, Gender, Diversity, and Global Contexts
- Women, Gender, Health, and Sexuality
- Women, Gender, Leadership, and Community

## **DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENT: 9 UNITS**

Select one course in each of the remaining three focus areas other than the one selected.

## **GENERAL ELECTIVES: 27 UNITS**

The total number of elective units required will be determined by the total units completed within the major. Electives can be additional major electives or courses for personal interests. Students may also consider adding a minor in another field of interest. Minors require between 18-30 units depending on the program.

# Section 4: Additional Requirements for TU Degree Completion

## **BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL STUDENTS**

- A C (2.0) or higher is required in all major courses and prerequisites.
- A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 is required.
- 32 units of the bachelor's degree must be completed at the upper level (courses numbered 300 or above).

# **Degree Completion Summary**

Total Units Required for B.S. Degree	120 UNITS
AACC Gender and Sexuality Studies A.A. Degree	60
Completion of Core Curriculum at TU	6
Women's and Gender Studies Coursework at TU	27
General Electives Taken at TU	27