



## **Transfer Credit Articulation Agreement**

**Between**  
**Seneca College of Applied Arts and Technology**  
**And**  
**York University**

**Given** that York University and Seneca College have a long history of collaboration for combined education and transfer pathway opportunities for students;

**Given** that York University and Seneca College wish to enhance student mobility between the two institutions while maintaining the integrity, autonomy and high quality of their academic programs;

**Given** the desire of York University and Seneca College to improve access for graduates of Bachelor of Public Administration and Bachelor of Arts Programs to further their education and career prospects through transferring in to Social Service Worker Diploma Programs at Seneca College;

**Given** that the common goal of both postsecondary education institutions is to meet the growing demands of the creative industries of Ontario by preparing graduates as to be a flexible and critically minded workforce, supporting numerous industries across Ontario's economy;

**Given** the existing affinities (curricular and pedagogical) between both institution's in community and public service programs, and the strong academic overlaps

**And in view of** the mutual commitments stated in this document, the parties agree to the following:

### **Transfer from Bachelor of Public Administration (BPA) and Bachelor of Arts (BA) programs of York University to Social Service Worker Diploma Programs of Seneca College**

#### **a) Eligibility – Social Service Worker Diplomas**

1. Students who have graduated from the Public Administration (BPA), the Multicultural and Indigenous Studies (BA) or the Human Right and Equities Studies (BA) programs of the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies at York University may be considered for admission to Seneca College to be enrolled in the Social Service Worker, the Social Service Worker –Immigrants and Refugees or the Social Service Worker –Gerontology Diploma programs at Seneca College
2. Students must have achieved a GPA of C+ (5.0)
3. Eligible candidates who register in the previously identified programs will be awarded up to 9 courses towards the Social Service Worker or Social Service Worker – Gerontology Diploma Programs and up to 11 courses towards the Social Service Worker – Immigrants and Refugees Diploma Program at Seneca College. See appendix A for details on transfer credit and course waivers.
4. Seneca College does not limit the number of eligible graduates from the BPA and BA Programs at York University.

#### **b) Admission**

Candidates from the BPA and BA Programs at York University wishing to take advantage of this agreement must follow this procedure:

- 1) Candidates must apply to the Ontario College Application Service (OCAS) by following the steps identified on the admissions website (<http://www.ontariocolleges.ca>).
  - 2) The application must be received preferably before February 1<sup>st</sup> in order to qualify for admission the following Summer semester. The Application must be accompanied by a transcript confirming graduation from the BPA or BA Programs at York University.
  - 3) If only a partial transcript is sent, the admission offer will be conditional to the presentation of a full transcript confirming graduation from the BPA or BA Programs at York University
  - 4) Administrative fees pertaining to the application must be paid.
- c) **Requirements for Transfer Students to receive**  
Incoming Students receive up to 9 courses towards the Social Service Worker or Social Service Worker – Gerontology Diploma Programs and up to 11 courses towards the Social Service Worker – Immigrants and Refugees Diploma Program and are required to complete 15 to 17 courses over 3 to 4 semesters depending on program to receive their College Diploma. Transfer students must meet all program requirements to be able to graduate from Seneca College.
- d) **Right to Refuse**  
Seneca College reserves the right to refuse to apply this Transfer Articulation Agreement in the case of a candidate who graduated from BPA and BA Programs at York University prior to 2015.

#### **Promotion and Advertising**

Seneca College and York University will mention the Transfer Articulation Agreement in promotional materials and advertisements pertaining to their respective programs, during related special events and in their websites.

#### **Leads**

Seneca College and York University agree to mandate persons who will serve as contacts between the two institutions for the implementation of the Transfer Articulation Agreement. These persons will be responsible for compliance with the Transfer Articulation Agreement and for the Transfer Articulation Agreement framework.

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#### **Exchange of Information**

- a) York University will send Seneca College the relevant information relating to course descriptions for each of the Programs identified in this agreement and will inform Seneca College, every spring of any changes in the curriculum of these programs or in their course descriptions.
- b) Each Spring Seneca College will inform York University of any changes in its admission requirements.
- c) In accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, each institution will provide the other, each spring, with all relevant pertaining to the admission and academic history of candidates having benefitted from this agreement.
- d) Transfer credit and waivers identified in this agreement are based on curriculum in effect during the 2014-2015 academic year. Any changes in the curriculum or in the description or mnemonic of courses of the programs mentioned above must be reported to the other partnering institution in order to guarantee that transfer credits will be granted as stated above.

#### **Update**

During the implementation period of this Transfer Articulation Agreement, the details can be updated by the designated leads, without a new version of this Transfer Articulation Agreement having to be signed.

**Date of coming into effect**

The Transfer Articulation Agreement comes into effect at the date of signature and will be valid for a period of five years. At the end of this period there will be a joint review of the partnership activities. At any time, one of the parties may cancel this Transfer Articulation Agreement with a six month notice in writing to the other party.

**AGREEMENT SIGNATORIES**

The parties signed in Toronto, in duplicate, on \_\_\_\_\_

**SENECA COLLEGE**

**YORK UNIVERSITY**

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**Joy McKinnon**  
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**Dr. Rhonda Lenton**  
Vice-President and Provost

**Alice Pitt**  
Vice-Provost Academic  
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**APPENDIX A: Transfer credit granted by Seneca College to graduates of BPA and BA degree programs at York University**

**Transfer pathway description**

York University graduates of the Public Administration (Honours (120cr) and Specialized Honours (120cr)), Multicultural and Indigenous Studies (Honours (120cr) and General degree (90cr)) and Human Rights and Equity Studies (Honours (120cr) and General degree (90cr)) will be eligible for admission consideration and granted transfer credit for up to 9 courses when entering Seneca College's diploma program in SSW or in SSW – Gerontology and up to 11 courses when entering SSW-Immigrants and Refugees.

**Transfer credit and course waivers**

In recognition of the 21 credits General Education courses mandatory in all LA&PS programs, Seneca College will grant transfer credit for EAC150-College English as well as two General Education options. York University graduates having successfully completed an English course may receive additional transfer credit from Seneca College for the General Education option requirement in Literature.

Total transfer credit will be granted as follows:

Degree program at YorkU	Transfer credits counted directly towards SSW programs		
	SSW program	SSW-IR program	SSW-G program
Public Administration	Up to 8 courses	Up to 9 courses	Up to 9 courses
Multicultural and Indigenous Studies	Up to 8 courses	Up to 11 courses	Up to 7 courses
Human Rights and Equity Studies	Up to 9 courses	Up to 11 courses	Up to 7 courses

*Public Administration degree graduates* will be specifically exempted from the following courses:

Program at Seneca College	Transfer credit granted at Seneca	York University courses required for transfer credit to be granted
Social Service Worker	SLL307 – Sociology: A practical Approach	AP/PPAS1110 (3cr) Introduction to Public Administration: Bureaucracy and Western Liberal Capitalist Democracy
	SWL136 – Introduction to Social Problems	AP/PPAS2110 (3cr) Canadian Government
SSW - Immigrants and Refugees	WIR100 – Introduction to the Immigrant and Refugee Sector	AP/PPAS1110 (3cr) Introduction to Public Administration: Bureaucracy and Western Liberal Capitalist Democracy
SSW – Gerontology	SLL307 – Sociology: A practical Approach	AP/PPAS1110 (3cr) Introduction to Public Administration: Bureaucracy and Western Liberal Capitalist Democracy

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Additional exemptions may be granted for the following courses at York University:

<b>Program at Seneca College</b>	<b>Transfer credit granted at Seneca</b>	<b>York University courses required for transfer credit to be granted</b>
Social Service Worker	SWL247 – Field Work Seminar II and SWL 257 – Field Work (2 days per week)	AP/PPAS4995 (6cr) Practicum in Public Administration
SSW - Immigrants and Refugees	WIR247 – Integrative Field Work Seminar and WIR257 – Field Placement	AP/PPAS4995 (6cr) Practicum in Public Administration
	SSW402 – Community Practice	AP/PPAS4190 (3cr) Ethics and the Public Service: Integrity and Democracy
SSW - Immigrants and Refugees	WIR407 – Selected Issues II: Violence, Mental Health, Addictions	Any 3cr course in Psychology or relating to Mental Health
<b>Program at Seneca College</b>	<b>Transfer credit granted at Seneca</b>	<b>York University courses required for transfer credit to be granted</b>
SSW – Gerontology	GWL247 – Integrative Field Work Seminar and GWL257 – Gerontology Field Work	AP/PPAS4995 (6cr) Practicum in Public Administration
	GWL377 – Volunteer Program Management	HRM2600 (3cr) Human Resources Management
	SSW402 – Community Practice	AP/PPAS4190 (3cr) Ethics and the Public Service: Integrity and Democracy

Multicultural and Indigenous Studies degree graduates will be specifically exempted from the following courses:

<b>Program at Seneca College</b>	<b>Transfer credit granted at Seneca</b>	<b>York University courses required for transfer credit to be granted</b>
Social Service Worker	SSW102 – Diversity: Awareness and Practice	AP/MIST1100 (6cr) Multicultural and Indigenous Studies
	SWL247 – Field Work Seminar II and SWL 257 – Field Work (2 days per week)	Based on knowledge acquired in York University program
SSW - Immigrants and Refugees	SSW102 – Diversity: Awareness and Practice	AP/MIST1100 (6cr) Multicultural and Indigenous Studies
	WIR247 – Integrative Field Work Seminar and WIR257 – Field Placement	Based on knowledge acquired in York University program
	SSW402 – Community Practice	Based on knowledge acquired in York University program
SSW – Gerontology	SSW102 – Diversity: Awareness and Practice	AP/MIST1100 (6cr) Multicultural and Indigenous Studies
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Social Service Worker	Students will be granted transfer credit for one of the following courses: SSW371 – Selected Issues: Intimate Partner Abuse and Violence, Or SSW372 – Selected Issues: Addictions, Or SSW373 – Selected Issues: Mental Health Or SSW374 – Child Welfare	Any 3cr course in Psychology or relating to Mental Health
SSW – Immigrants and Refugees	WIR100 – Introduction to the Immigrant and Refugee Sector	AP/MIST2000 (6cr) Introduction to Refugee and Migration Studies
	WIR208 – Social Policy, Legislation, and Governmental Systems	AP/MIST3624 (6cr) Canadian Immigration Policies & Settlement
	WIR407 – Selected Issues II: Violence, Mental Health, Addictions	Any 3cr course in Psychology or relating to Mental Health

Human Rights and Equities Studies will be specifically exempted from the following courses:

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Social Service Worker	SWL136 – Introduction to Social Problems	AP/PPAS3136 (3cr) Public Law II: The Charter of Rights and Freedoms and the Limits of Public Administration
	SSW102 – Diversity: Awareness and Practice	HREQ2010 (6cr) Introduction to Human Rights and Equity Studies
	SWL247 – Field Work Seminar II and SWL 257 – Field Work (2 days per week)	Based on knowledge acquired in York University program
SSW – Immigrants and Refugees	SSW102 – Diversity: Awareness and Practice and WIR100 – Introduction to the Immigrant and Refugee Sector	HREQ2010 (6cr) Introduction to Human Rights and Equity Studies
	WIR247 – Integrative Field Work Seminar and WIR257 – Field Placement	Based on knowledge acquired in York University program
	SSW402 – Community Practice	Based on knowledge acquired in York University program
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SSW - Immigrants and Refugees	WIR208 – Social Policy, Legislation, and Governmental Systems	AP/MIST3624 (6cr) Canadian Immigration Policies & Settlement
	WIR407 – Selected Issues II: Violence, Mental Health, Addictions	For any 3cr course in Psychology or relating to Mental Health