



**AN AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH A TRANSFER ARTICULATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
GEORGIA HIGHLANDS COLLEGE AND LURLEEN B. WALLACE COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**ACADEMIC YEARS 2024 – 2029**

**Purpose**

This is a joint institutional agreement on the part of Georgia Highlands College (GHC) and Lurleen B. Wallace Community College (LBW) to formally establish an educational partnership between the two institutions. This agreement is made between LBW and the Associate of Applied Science in Building Construction and the Bachelor of Science in Building Information Modeling & Management at GHC. In this agreement, GHC and LBW are collectively referred to as the Parties.

The objectives of the agreement are to provide a partnership between GHC and LBW that will allow students to enroll at LBW, complete an AAS in Building Construction (AAS-BC), and be eligible to enroll in the BS in Building Information Modeling & Management (BS-BIMM) at GHC.

The parties will:

- work to identify, recruit, and select students who clearly demonstrate academic and personal competencies required to function as successful students and future BIM professionals.
- Facilitate the transfer of coursework completed in the AAS-BC degree program into the BS-BIMM degree program.
- Create a seamless pipeline for AAS-BC prepared students to enter the BS-BIMM program.

**Acceptance of Transfer Credits at Georgia Highlands College**

The following guidelines are used to award transfer credit:

- The transfer of credits is consistent with and subject to the conditions prescribed in each institution's published catalog and the time of the student's transfer request.
- Courses transferred from LBW must be comparable college-level courses and equivalent in content and rigor to those at Georgia Highlands College.
- Candidates must successfully meet all requirements to gain admission to GHC.



The following Crosswalks include the specific courses to be transferred from LBW to GHC. The agreement provides a total of at least 50 credit hours to be transferred/awarded. Table 1 includes 23 credit hours of courses in the AAS-BC program at LBW transferrable to GHC. Table 2 includes 37 credit hours of courses remaining in the core curriculum and BS-BIMM supporting disciplines. These courses can be taken at LBW or GHC. If the courses are taken at LBW, they will be transferred from LBW to GHC. Table 3 includes 27 hours of prior learning credits/technical credits, which are awarded for the completion of the Associate of Applied Science in Building Construction at LBW. Students then complete the final 33 hours of the BS-BIMM curriculum at GHC for a total of 120 credit hours, shown in Table 4.

### **Renewal, Termination, and Amendment**

This agreement will be reviewed annually by both parties to ensure continued transfer compatibility of courses.

This agreement shall remain in force for a period of five (5) years from the date of the last signature. This agreement may be extended by the written consent of the parties.

LBW and GHC will revisit this agreement every five (5) years to ensure the agreement supports each institution's mission and goals, and for modifications, extension, and/or termination.

This agreement may be terminated by either party giving written notice to the other party at least 90 days in advance of the stated termination date. Termination of this agreement shall not affect activities in progress pursuant to specific activity agreements, which shall continue until concluded by the parties in accordance with their terms or as otherwise agreed to by the parties in writing.

This agreement is subject to change, in order to comply with college requirements, and may be amended only by the written consent of the parties.

### **Curriculum**

Transfer students must complete all coursework in their respective degree plan of study before receiving their bachelor's degree from Georgia Highlands College.

**Table 1**

AAS BUILDING CONSTRUCTION CURRICULUM Lurleen B. Wallace Community College 24 Credit Hours					
Lurleen B. Wallace Courses		SEM HRS	Georgia Highlands College Courses		SEM HRS
Course #	Course Title		Course #	Course Title	
<b>Institutional Priority</b>					
SPH 106	Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3	COMM 1100	Human Communication	3
CIS 146	Computer Applications	3 <sup>1</sup>	GHSC 2901	Special Topics in Science	2
<b>Mathematics and Quantitative Skills</b>					
MTH 112 (or higher)	Precalculus Algebra	3	MATH 1111	College Algebra	3
<b>Arts, Humanities, and Ethics</b>					
Various Courses	Hums/Fine Arts Elective	3	Various Courses	Hums/Fine Arts Elective	3
<b>Communicating in Writing</b>					
ENG 101	English Composition I	3	ENGL 1101	English Composition I	3
<b>Social Sciences</b>					
Various Courses	Social Sciences Elective	3	Various Courses	Social Sciences Elective	3
<b>Field of Study</b>					
BUC 110	Basic Construction Tools and Materials	3	BIMM 1501	Construction Materials and Methods	3
MTH 246	Mathematics of Finance	3	MATH ELEC	MATH Transfer Credit <sup>2</sup>	3

**Table 2**

Credit Hours Remaining in Core Curriculum Can be taken at LBW or GHC 37 Credit Hours					
Lurleen B. Wallace College Courses		SEM HRS	Georgia Highlands College Courses		SEM HRS
Course #	Course Title		Course #	Course Title	
<b>Political Science and U.S. History<sup>3</sup></b>					
POL 211	American National Government	3	POLS 1101	American Government	3

<sup>1</sup> Additional credit hour may be carried over to the Field of Study or Program Hours, if necessary.

<sup>2</sup> Course substitution in Field of Study.

<sup>3</sup> Students who have been awarded credit for HIST 2111, HIST 2112, or POLS 1101 based on examination scores or by transfer of credit from outside the USG or TCSG must still meet the Georgia Legislative requirements. The legislative requirements may be satisfied by completion of POLS 1101 and HIST 2112 or the appropriate exemption exam(s) through the School of Social Sciences and Education.

HST 201 or 202	U.S. History I/II	3	HIST 2111 or 2112	American History I/II	3
<b>Arts, Humanities, and Ethics</b>					
ENGL 2XX	Literature Course	3	ENGL 2XXX	Literature Course	3
<b>Communicating in Writing</b>					
ENG 102	English Composition II	3	ENGL 1102	English Composition II	3
<b>Technology, Mathematics, and Sciences<sup>4</sup></b>					
Various Courses	Science w/ Lab	4	Various Courses	Science w/ Lab	4
Various Courses	Science	3	Various Courses	Science	3
Various Courses	Mathematics/Statistics	3	Various Courses	Mathematics/Statistics	3
<b>Social Sciences</b>					
HST 101 or 102	Western Civilization I/II	3	HIST 1121 or 1122	Western Civilization I/II	3
<b>Field of Study</b>					
BUS 241	Principles of Accounting I	3	ACCT 2101	Principles of Accounting I	3
ECO 231	Principles of Macroeconomics	3	ECON 2105	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
<b>Supporting Disciplines</b>					
BUS 242	Principles of Accounting II	3	ACCT 2102	Principles of Accounting II	3
ECO 232	Principles of Microeconomics	3	ECON 2106	Principles of Microeconomics	3

**Table 3**

<b>BS-BIMM Prior Learning Credit 27 Credit Hours</b>	
<p>Upon completion of the Associate of Applied Science in Building Construction from LBW, students will receive credit for the following courses:</p> <p>BIMM 3000 Building Codes            BIMM 3100 Construction Blueprint Reading            BIMM 3730 Construction Planning</p> <p>Students will also receive 9 hours of credit for guided electives and 9 hours of credit for free electives in the BS-BIMM degree program.</p> <p>Credit will be given as K credit. Georgia Highlands College does not guarantee the transferability of K credit.</p>	

<sup>4</sup> Courses in this area will be evaluated by the Office of the Provost and the School of STEM to ensure they are comparable college-level courses and equivalent in content and rigor to those at Georgia Highlands College.

**Table 4**

<b>BS BIMM Courses Completed at GHC 33 Credit Hours</b>		
<b>Course #</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>SEM HRS</b>
BIMM 1000	Introduction to Virtual Design and Construction	2
BIMM 2105	Fundamentals of CAD & BIM	4
BIMM 3130	Construction Finance and Administration	3
BIMM 3305	Steel Structures and Design	4
BIMM 3505	Concrete Structures and Design	4
BIMM 3905	MEP Systems	4
BIMM 4225	Sustainable Structures and Design	3
BIMM 4310	VDC Project Management	3
BIMM 4610	Principles of Facilities Management	3
BIMM 4899 or BIMM 4999	BIM/VDC Senior Project or BIM/VDC Internship	3

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