

# A Smart Path

to a **FOUR-YEAR**

# Degree

For many students, the best start toward a bachelor's degree isn't a four-year college — it's Berkshire Community College.

We maintain formal relationships with more than 30 leading colleges and universities that let you transfer your entire BCC associate degree toward your bachelor's degree. With our first-class education, you'll be well prepared for transfer to a four-year/baccalaureate college of your choice.

That means you can get your bachelor's degree from the public or private college you want, while saving thousands on tuition and fees for your freshman and sophomore years.\*

*\*Acceptance for enrollment is based on your academic performance and other factors determined by the college or university to which you are applying.*

## Berkshire Community College

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## BCC North County

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***“To travel hopefully is a better thing than to arrive.”***

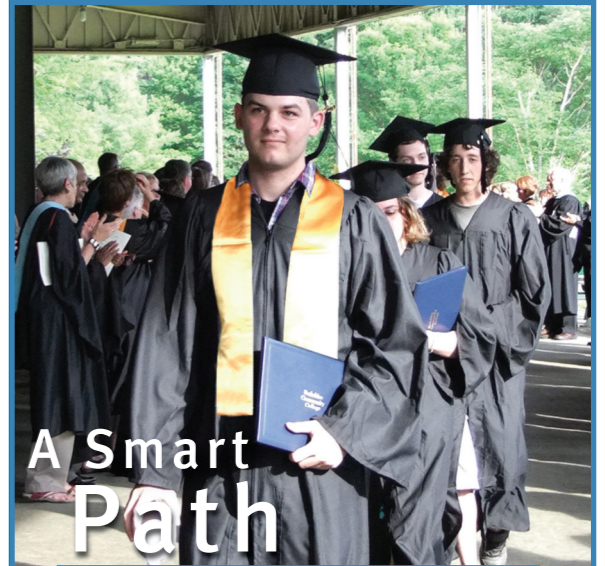
— Robert Louis Stevenson

## Some BCC Transfer Colleges

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| Alaska Pacific University                   | New York University                                      |
| Alfred University                           | Northeastern University                                  |
| American International College              | Oxford College or Emory University                       |
| Amherst College                             | Parker College of Chiropractic                           |
| Anna Maria College                          | Plymouth State College                                   |
| Arizona State University                    | Regents College  |
| Barry University                            | Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute                         |
| Bay Path College                            | Rice University  |
| Baystate Medical School of Nursing          | Roger Williams College                                   |
| Bellhaven College                           | Sage Junior College of Allied Health                     |
| Boston University                           | Salem State College                                      |
| Bridgewater State College                   | Seton Hall University                                    |
| Campbell University                         | Siena College  |
| Central Connecticut State University        | Skidmore College   |
| Champlain College                           | Smith College  |
| Clarkson University                         | Southern Vermont College                                 |
| Clemson University                          | Springfield College                                      |
| Colorado Institute of Art                   | Stockbridge School of Agriculture                        |
| Colorado State University                   | Stonehill College  |
| Culinary Institute of America               | Suffolk University                                       |
| DeKalb College                              | SUNY College of Agriculture and Technology at Cobleskill |
| Duquesne University                         | SUNY Institute of Technology at Utica                    |
| Eastern Mennonite University                | Syracuse University                                      |
| Elms College                                | Trinity College  |
| Elon College                                | UMass/Amherst  |
| Emerson College                             | UMass/Dartmouth  |
| Fitchburg State College                     | UMass/Lowell   |
| Florida Atlantic University                 | Union College  |
| Fordham University                          | University of Indianapolis                               |
| Framingham State College                    | University of Nevada                                     |
| Gordon College                              | University of New Hampshire                              |
| Howard University                           | University of New Haven                                  |
| International Christian University          | University of Rhode Island                               |
| James Madison University                    | University of South Florida                              |
| Johnson & Wales University                  | University of Vermont                                    |
| Logan College of Chiropractic               | Vanderbilt University                                    |
| Maria College                               | Western Connecticut State                                |
| Marlboro College                            | Western New England College                              |
| Mass. College of Pharmacy and Allied Health | Westfield State College                                  |
| Mass. College of Liberal Arts               | Williams College   |
| Mass. College of Visual Arts                | Worcester Polytechnic                                    |
| Middlebury College                          | Worcester State College                                  |
| Montserrat College of Art                   |  |
| Mount Holyoke College                       |  |

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## TRANSFER OPPORTUNITIES



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## Ways In Which the Transfer Office Can Help You!

- **Assistance with college applications**- including tips on essay writing and obtaining recommendations.
- **Identifying colleges/universities** that fit your needs and interests.
- **On-campus recruitment.** Representatives from local and regional four-year colleges/universities visit BCC throughout the academic year.
- **Scholarship and Award Information.** We can help you find out what's available.
- **Transferring Credits.** We can show you which courses are most likely to transfer.
- **Transfer Information Board.** Information about regional and national colleges/universities, scholarships, and awards can be found in the Student Development Center.



### \*Transfer Tips

- Choose several colleges that offer your major.
- If you are unsure of your plans, make an appointment to speak with the Transfer or Career Coordinator.
- When applying to out-of-state colleges, email the college for applications and be sure to ask for any special information pertinent to transfer students.

- If SAT or ACT scores are required for transfer students, contact The College Board at (800) 728-7267 to either take the test or request scores from the counseling office.
- Be sure to consult early with faculty/advisors for recommendations.
- Fill out your applications carefully. If you have questions or problems, go to the transfer office for help.
- Check carefully the transfer admission deadlines of the schools you have selected and submit your applications accordingly.
- Complete a transcript request form and ask the Registrar's office to send a copy of your college transcripts to all the schools to which you are applying. If a college requires high school transcripts, you must request them directly through your high school.
- Students who spend two years at a public community college followed by two years at a four-year school save an average of \$6,800-\$35,000 in tuition and fees, according to figures reported by *The Chronicle of Higher Education*.
- Many four-year colleges and universities encourage transfers and have developed articulation agreements with two-year colleges to make it easier for students to transfer.
- Some scholarships are reserved exclusively for students who transfer from two-year to four-year schools. More than 600 colleges and universities offer transfer scholarships to members of Phi Theta Kappa, the national honor society for students at two-year colleges.
- A number of studies have shown that students who transfer to four-year colleges from two-year schools do at least as well (if not better) academically as those who started there as freshmen.

*\*From the College Transfer Guide and Private Colleges and Universities*



## MassTransfer

In June 2008, *MassTransfer* was approved by the Board of Higher Education as a new statewide transfer policy, a "single-streamlined policy to simplify the transfer process." *MassTransfer* seeks to provide a broad population of students with straightforward and understandable options toward the completion of associate and baccalaureate degrees, clearing the way for student access and student success in the Massachusetts's public higher education system. *MassTransfer* has two components:

### Associate Degrees Under MassTransfer

**Provides community college students who complete associate degrees** and enroll in linked *MassTransfer* programs with the full transfer of credit, guaranteed admission, and a partial tuition waiver (each based on final GPA) transferring after completing an *Associate Degree Under MassTransfer* offers many additional benefits:

Benefits	2.0+	2.5+	3.0+
No application fee	x	x	x
No application essay	x	x	x
Automatic satisfaction of most or all general education requirements	x	x	x
Guaranteed transfer of credits	x	x	x
Guaranteed admission		x	x
33% tuition waiver			x

## MassTransfer Block

Provides *any student in the public higher education system* who completes the *MassTransfer* Block with the benefit of satisfying the general education/distribution core requirements at any other public higher education institution (with the receiving institution able to add no more than six additional credits or two courses).

The *MassTransfer* Block refers to a set of general education, core or distribution requirements, consisting of 34 college-level credits:

Credits/Courses	Subject Areas
9/3	Behavioral and social sciences
9/3	Humanities and fine arts
7/2	Natural or physical science
6/2	English composition/writing
3/1	Mathematics/quantitative reasoning

