

Quincy College



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Quincy College and Northeastern University create a Pathway for Bachelor's Degree Completion *Offering a Streamlined Route to STEM Degrees*

Quincy, MA (4/13/16) - Quincy College and Northeastern University College of Professional Studies announce today that Quincy College graduates will be able to make a seamless transition into Northeastern University College of Professional Studies after earning their associate's degree to complete their bachelor's degree. Through this new partnership, via the newly negotiated articulation agreement, courses covered by the agreement taken at Quincy College count towards the bachelor's degree just as if they had been taken at the four-year university.

This general articulation agreement supports all Quincy College majors providing a streamlined pathway to bachelor's degree completion in science, technology, engineering, math (STEM) and health related fields. Under this agreement, Quincy College students must graduate with a strong academic record to attend the Northeastern University College of Professional Studies. Program specific articulation will be developed this spring.

Quincy College and Northeastern University as separate institutions have developed curricula and programs working to fill the growing need for skilled workers in the STEM fields, particularly in Massachusetts. In addition, Quincy College has made capital investments of new laboratory space to support STEM skill development. Together, Quincy College and Northeastern University's Lowell Institute School will provide a simplified, streamlined, and innovative pathway from an associate degree at Quincy College to a bachelor's degree from Northeastern University.

The partnership developed after both institutions recognized a local need for a pathway for bachelor's degree completion that is affordable, flexible, and approachable. This partnership can benefit a wide student population from older students returning to the classroom to take advantage of tuition remission offered by their employer to rising high school seniors looking to pursue a bachelor's degree. Quincy College graduates can capitalize on the full resources of Northeastern University, benefiting from a world-class education.

"Given the shifts in the regional and national economy toward the innovation fields, completing a bachelor's degree is more important than ever", said John LaBrie, Dean, Northeastern University College of Professional Studies. "Partnering with Quincy College with its track record for educating students for work and life offers a new opportunity for the educational and career advancement of our students"

Quincy College's Dean of Online Learning & Inter-Institutional Affairs, Dr. Michael Marrapodi added: "Northeastern University Lowell Institute School, as part of the College of Professional

Studies, closely aligns with Quincy College's mission. As an open access institution that encourages academic achievement and excellence, diversity, economic opportunity, community involvement, and lifelong learning, Quincy College is pleased to facilitate valuable learning relationships and partnerships with local colleges and universities to help our students realize their educational and professional futures."

For more information about the Lowell Institute School and their program, visit: <http://www.cps.neu.edu/discover/schools-institutes/lowell-institute-school/>. For more information about Quincy College's programs, please visit: www.quincycollege.edu. For more information about Quincy College's articulation agreements with local area colleges and universities, please visit: www.quincycollege.edu/transfers.

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About Quincy College

Founded in 1958, Quincy College is a two-year, municipally affiliated community college serving approximately 4,500 students at campuses located in Quincy and Plymouth, Massachusetts. Quincy College is an open access institution that encourages academic achievement and excellence, diversity, economic opportunity, community involvement, and lifelong learning. The College facilitates valuable learning relationships that inspire students to realize their educational and professional futures. The college offers 35 associate degree programs and 21 certificate programs in a variety of disciplines, including those within Professional Programs, Liberal Arts, Natural & Health Sciences and Nursing. The college is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, and is licensed by the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education to grant the degrees of Associate in Arts and Associate in Science. The college draws a diversity of students from the greater Boston area as well as 121 countries around the world. For additional information, visit www.quincycollege.edu



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Northeastern University

College of Professional Studies

About the College of Professional Studies and Lowell Institute School

Northeastern University College of Professional Studies is one of nine colleges that form the university. Northeastern is renowned for experiential education, and the College of Professional Studies incorporates this strength in career-focused professional education at the undergraduate and graduate levels. The Lowell Institute School, focused on science, technology and engineering degrees, is part of the College of Professional Studies. Degrees reflect business needs, the reality of the present economy, and areas of professional growth and demand.