Instructions for the Form to Register for a Course under the Intercampus Course Exchange

The UMass document, Operational Guidelines for Intercampus Course Exchange, provides a streamlined way for students to incorporate courses offered at a different UMass campus within their program of studies. It is used by (a) degree-seeking students in joint UMass degree programs or other programs where a course exchange has specifically been approved; and (b) degree-seeking graduate students in graduate programs not formally approved for a course exchange, on a space-available basis and not including continuing education courses.

Registering for a course under this policy:

Use this form to register for a course or courses on a campus other than your home campus. Use a separate form for each course. The form is designed to accomplish the following:

• It records the academic approvals for you to use the course towards your requirements.

• It enables you to pay for the course at your home campus along with your other courses and thus honors any scholarship, assistantship, financial aid, or other benefits that you receive. Academic charges will be those of your home-campus. You will pay nothing to the host campus.

• It notifies the host campus of the registration so they can give you an appropriate registration status. You will not need to contact officials at the host campus.

• It notifies the home campus to create a record for this course on your home campus transcript. If a course has not already been created for this purpose, one will be created for you.

• At the end of the term, the host campus will notify the home campus of your completion status and grade earned so these can be posted to your home campus transcript. Quality point value assigned will be that of the home campus for the purposes of computing grade point averages and for any considerations of academic status. These courses are not considered transfer courses.

• It makes your home campus be responsible for all procedural communications and transactions with the host campus. If you have any questions, you should contact the administrator identified as your home campus’s Intercampus Course Exchange coordinator.

• Some students—those in programs where a specific course exchange has been approved—may use this policy in the case of requests to take a Continuing Education course at a host campus or through UMass On-Line. The form gives the specific permissions needed from the home campus that verify that the course is fulfilling a requirement for the degree and is available only as a Continuing Education course (refer to full policy for details). Students in all other programs may not access continuing education courses through this policy but must register and pay for them separately at the host campus or through UMass On-Line.

Dropping a course for which you registered under this policy:

• This form verifies that you have understood and will follow the add-drop, withdrawal-from-courses, and other campus-specific academic policies of your host campus. A decision to drop the course requires you to submit a Drop Form to the Exchange program representative on your home campus and to notify the host-campus officials of my drop action in writing, following the procedures and within the deadlines of that campus. Failure to accomplish this step may result in a failing grade of record.

The full Operational Guidelines for Intercampus Course Exchange document will be posted on the UMass web site.