



CUTLINE: Dr. Nicole Roades (left), SSCC Vice President of Academic Affairs, and Dr. Marian Glancy, Provost and CEO of Antioch University Midwest, sign a partnership agreement to establish 3+1 pathways for college students.

SSCC & AUM announce new 3+1 degree pathway

Southern State Community College (SSCC) and Antioch University Midwest (AUM) have joined in partnership to increase access and affordability to a four-year college education by establishing 3+1 pathway options for students. This agreement will allow students to take a total of three years of college courses at Southern State and one year at Antioch University Midwest to obtain both an associate and bachelor degree.

An informational open house will be held 1-7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 7, at Antioch University Midwest, 900 Dayton St., Yellow Springs.

“AUM welcomes the opportunity to work with SSCC students to individualize their program of study to best meet their educational and employment goals in an adult-learner centered environment,” said Sonya Fultz, chair of undergraduate studies at AUM. “The 3+1

transfer guides create clear pathways for student success and intentional planning to maximize opportunities to gain workforce ready credentials while earning a bachelor's degree.”

The 3+1 pathway guides between the two institutions are available starting this spring. Students will complete 90 credit hours at Southern State and 30 credit hours at Antioch University Midwest. Southern State and Antioch University Midwest faculty and advisors will work jointly with students to advise appropriate courses to meet the pathway course requirements.

Pathways are available from Southern State’s Agriculture Production, Biotechnology & Laboratory Science, Business Management, Information Technology, Computer Support Specialist, Criminal Justice, Cyber Security & Forensics, Early Childhood Education, Human & Social Services, Logistics Management, and Paraprofessional Education programs.

“Students will benefit in a variety of ways, including easier access to a four-year degree and affordability. The agreement saves students almost \$12,000,” said Fultz. “The agreement allows the students to earn both an associate and bachelor's degree in four years at full-time enrollment and without the worry of what credits will transfer,” she said.

Southern State students will apply to Antioch University Midwest after completing their associate degree. Students may take the final 60 credits of their degree simultaneously, with AUM functioning as their home institution and Southern State offering courses through the partnership.

“Antioch University Midwest is committed to meeting the needs of adult learners and fulfilling its mission of social justice by creating educational opportunities that are affordable, accessible, flexible and career focused,” said Dr. Marian Glancy, Provost and CEO at Antioch University Midwest.

For more information, call 937-763-1818, email admission.aum@antioch.edu or visit antiochmidwest.edu/southern-state-pathway.