

~~The GPA calculated for the purposes of Superintendent's honors and graduation with honors excludes physical education activity courses, more than eight units in Cooperative Education, all remedial level courses, and "P/NP" grades in any courses.~~

Graduation Requirements

For the Associate of Arts (AA) and Associate of Science (AS) Degree:

1. Student must demonstrate competence in reading, in written expression, and in mathematics.
2. The student must satisfactorily complete at least 60 semester units or 90 quarter units of college work.
(A definition of "college work" that provides that courses acceptable toward the associate degree include those that have been properly approved pursuant to Title 5, Section 55002(a), or, if completed at other than a California community college, would reasonably be expected to meet the standards of that section).
3. The work must include the college's general education/breadth requirements and at least 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major listed in the Community Colleges "Taxonomy of Programs."
4. Effective for all students admitted to a community college in Fall 2009 and thereafter, all courses that count towards the associate degree area of emphasis must be "satisfactorily completed" with grades A, B, C, or P (pass). All degree requirements, including general education, must be completed with a degree-applicable grade point average of 2.0 or better.
5. The work must include at least 12 semester units or 18 quarter units of study in residence; exceptions to the residence requirement can be made by the Board when an injustice or undue hardship would result.
6. Students may petition to have noncredit courses counted toward the satisfaction of requirements for an associate degree.
7. Ethnic studies must be offered.
8. District policies and procedures regarding general education and degree requirements are published in the college catalog and are on file with the State Chancellor's Office.

For the Associate of Arts for Transfer (AA-T) and Associate of Science for Transfer (AS-T) Degree:

1. The student must satisfactorily complete 60 semester units or 90 quarter units are eligible for transfer to the California State University.
2. The work must include the appropriate Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education Breadth Requirements (CSU-GE).
3. A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.
4. All courses that count towards the major or area of emphasis must be "satisfactorily completed" with grades A, B, C, or P.
5. All degree requirements, including general education, must be completed with a degree-applicable grade point average of 2.0 or better.
6. Students are not required to complete any additional local graduation requirements (e.g., PE and Computer and Information Literacy courses).
7. The work must include at least 12 semester units of study in residence; exceptions to the residence requirement can be made by the Board when an injustice or undue hardship would result.

For a Certificate of Achievement:

1. A student must successfully complete a course of study that consists of 16 or more semester units or quarter units of degree-applicable credit coursework.
2. The Certificate of Achievement shall be designed to demonstrate that the student has completed coursework and developed capabilities related to career and general education.
3. All courses that count towards the major or area of emphasis must be "satisfactorily completed" with grades A, B, C, or P.
4. Grade point average of 2.0 or better.
5. The work must include at least 12 semester units of study in residence;

exceptions to the residence requirement can be made by the Board when an injustice or undue hardship would result.

6. Certificates of Achievement are subject to the approval by the Chancellor's Office.

For a Certificate of Proficiency:

1. A student must successfully complete a course of study as established by the District. These certificates are not Chancellor's office approved, awarded at the District level, and may not be listed on the students' transcript.
2. The Certificate of Proficiency shall be designed to demonstrate that the student has completed coursework and developed capabilities related to make a successful transition to an entry-level position in the work force.
3. All courses that count towards the major or area of emphasis must be "satisfactorily completed" with grades A, B, C, or P.
4. The Certificate of Proficiency must be completed with a degree-applicable grade point average of 2.0 or better.
5. The Certificate of Proficiency does not require 12 semester units of study in residence.

Competency Requirements

Students must achieve competency in the areas of reading, writing, and mathematics, through the following:

Reading Competency

Students must receive a grade of "C" or better in ENGL-01A or the equivalent.

Writing Competency

Students must receive a grade of "C" or better in ENGL-01A, or the equivalent.

Math Competency

Students must receive a grade of "C" or better in MATH-C, MATH-61, MATH-62, or a grade of "C" or better in any course which has the prerequisite of Math C, or the equivalent.