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Degrees

The District grants the degrees of Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate in Arts for Transfer, and Associate in Science for Transfer to those students who have completed the following requirements:

1.1 Units

- At least 60 semester units of college work. "College work" is defined as work that has been properly approved as acceptable toward the associate degree 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.
- At least 18 semester units in General Education from each of the five defined GE areas: Natural Science; Social Science; Humanities; Language, Communication, and Rationality; Multicultural Understanding.
 - Area A: Natural Science at least three (3) units
 - Area B: Social Science at least three (3) units
 - Area C: Humanities at least three (3) units
 - Area D1: Writing at least three (3) units ¹
 - Area D2: Oral Communication at least three (3) units
 - Area D3: Analytical Thinking at least three (3) units ¹

Alternatively, students may be able to use either the CSUGE-Breadth or IGETC GE pattern as published in the District catalog.²

- At least 18 semester units in a major that corresponds to an instructional program listed in the California Community College "Taxonomy of Programs."

1.2 Minimum GPA

- A minimum grade point average of 2.0 (both cumulative and for all degree- applicable work) at College of the Redwoods and a grade of C or higher in each course required for the degree except for unrestricted electives.

1.3 Residency

- At least 15 semester units and a minimum of 12 of the required units in the major field of study completed at College of the Redwoods (exceptions to the residence requirement can be made by the Office of Admissions and Records when an injustice or undue hardship would result).

3. Certificate of Achievement

Certificates of Achievement are designed to help students develop career technical competency. The District grants Certificates of Achievement to those students who have completed the following requirements:

2.1 Units

- 18 or more semester units of degree-applicable coursework, or,
- 12 or more semester units for certain low-unit certificates

2.2 Minimum GPA

- A grade of C or higher in each course required for the certificate

2.3 Residency

- At least 6 semester units must be completed at College of the Redwoods (exceptions to the residence requirement can be made by the Office of Admissions and Records when an injustice or undue hardship would result)

3. Certificate of Recognition

The District grants Certificates of Recognition to those students who have completed the required courses with a grade of C or higher. Certificates of Recognition do not need Chancellor's Office approval and are not transcriptable.

These degree and certificate requirements are evaluated and approved by the Curriculum Committee and published in District catalogs and other resources that are accessible to students.

¹Title 5 may specify particular requirements to satisfy Areas D1 and D3 (see Catalog).

²Any of the three GE patterns is sufficient to satisfy requirements for the AA degree; only the CR GE pattern satisfies the requirements of the AS degree. The CSU GE-Breadth or IGETC patterns satisfy the requirements for the AS-T and AA-T degrees.

References: Title 5 Sections 55060 et seq.

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