

The district confers the associate degree upon students who have completed 60 semester units of degree-applicable lower-division courses, including a minimum of 18 semester units of focused study in a major or interdisciplinary area of emphasis and a minimum of 21 semester units of general education, with a minimum cumulative grade-point average of 2.0. Students must complete each course counted toward the major or area of emphasis with a grade of “C” or better, or a “P” if the course is taken on a “pass-no-pass” basis. At least 12 semester units must be completed in residence within the district.

Students may be awarded a certificate of achievement upon successful completion of a minimum of 16 or more semester units of degree-applicable coursework. Listing of the certificate of achievement on a student transcript symbolizes successful completion of patterns of learning experiences designed to develop certain capabilities that may be oriented to career or general education. Certificates of achievement of eight or more semester units may be awarded if the Chancellor’s Office has determined they satisfy the title 5 requirements despite requiring fewer than 16 semester units.

The superintendent/president shall establish procedures to determine degree and certificate requirements that include appropriate involvement of the Courses and Programs Committee.

See Administrative Procedure 4100.