

ASSOCIATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS*

To qualify for an associate degree (other than an Associate Degree for Transfer*), the candidate must meet the following requirements:

Courses: Sixty units in the following categories:

- I. Major Requirements:** Each degree and certificate program specifies courses required for the major. Students must complete these courses with a grade of "C" or better. (Grades of Pass are allowed for Associate Degrees for Transfer.)
See the Instructional Programs section of the catalog.
- II. General Education Requirements:** 24 semester units of general education which include one course or more as indicated in group requirements A, B, C, D, E, and F.
Courses from the major may be used to satisfy areas A – F
- III. Required Proficiencies:** The college requires proficiency in basic learning skills in mathematics and reading. See page 18.
- IV. Oral Communication Requirement:** Completion of 3 units with a grade of "C" or better from the following: Communication Studies 101 or 101H (Interpersonal Communication), Communication Studies 102 or 102H (Public Speaking), Communication Studies 140 (Argumentation and Debate), Communication Studies 145 (Group Dynamics), Communication Studies 152 (Oral Interpretation).

Note: The requirements in parts II, III, and IV may be met by completion of CSU General Education Breadth certification requirements**, by completion of the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum requirements, or by submitting a transcript showing completion of a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution. The requirements in parts II, III, and IV may also be met by submitting a transcript showing completion of an associate of arts or associate of science degree from a regionally accredited California institution within a ten-year period of finishing major requirements (I) at the college. Courses numbered less than 100 and preceded by "N" are NOT applicable to the Associate Degree.

** If Business 130 is used to meet CSU GE Area B4 - Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning, then the associate degree (AA, AS) math proficiency may NOT be met. Students using Business 130 for B4, must meet one of the math proficiency requirements in Section III, unless earning an Associate Degree for Transfer (AA-T, AS-T).

Grade Point Average: A cumulative G.P.A. of at least 2.0 (C).

Residency: At least 12 units completed at SAC (at least six of the units must be in courses required for the major unless students are earning an AA-T or AS-T degree).

Petition for Graduation and Catalog Rights:

Petitions for graduation should be filed in the Office of Admissions and Records one semester before the student expects to graduate. Students who maintain continuous enrollment in at least one regular semester or session of a catalog year (Fall, Intersession, Spring, or Summer) at Santa Ana College or Santiago Canyon College may elect to meet the associate degree or certificate requirements in the SAC catalog in effect at the time of first enrollment, or may choose the catalog requirements from any one year of subsequent continuous enrollment. A student who has an interruption of attendance must use the catalog at the time of readmission or one of subsequent continuous enrollment. Commencement exercises are held once a year at the end of the spring semester for those students who complete the requirements for graduation during the year or the summer session.

Note: Transcripts from all colleges attended must be on file.

*** Please see the SAC Catalog for degree requirements for the Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) and the Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T). Plan A does not meet the general education requirements for Associate Degrees for Transfer**

I. Major Requirements

See the Instructional Programs section of the SAC catalog.

II. General Education Requirements for the Associate Degree

Plan A: 2020–2021

Note: Plan A does not meet the general education requirements for Associate Degrees for Transfer. A single course may be used to meet only one category requirement (A-F) in section II. However, a course may be used to meet both a required proficiency or oral communication requirement, as well as one of the categories of General Education Courses on Plan A. Courses which meet the requirements for Part II of Plan A at Santiago Canyon College will automatically meet the identical requirements for Part II of Plan A at Santa Ana College.

A. NATURAL SCIENCES (minimum 3 units)

Anthropology 101, 101L

Astronomy 109, 110 or 110H, 140

Biology 109 or 109H, 109L, 111, 115, 149, 177, 190, 190L, 200, 211, 239, 259

Chemistry 109, 119, 209, 210, 219 or 219H

Earth Science 110 or 110H, 115, 150 or 150H

Environmental Studies 140, 200, 259

Geography 101, 101L, 130

Geology 101, 101L, 140, 150 or 150H, 201

Physical Science 117, 118

Physics 109, 210, 217, 279

Psychology 200

B. SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (MINIMUM 6 UNITS)

- 1. American Institutions** (minimum 3 units)
History 118, 120 or 120H, 121 or 121H, 122
Political Science 101 or 101H
- 2. Social Science Elective** (minimum 3 units)
Anthropology 100 or 100H
Child Development 107, 110
Criminal Justice 101 or 101H
Economics 120, 121
Geography 100 or 100H, 102 or 102H, 140, 155
History 101 or 101H, 102 or 102H
Law 100
Political Science 101 or 101H
Psychology 100 or 100H
Sociology 100 or 100H

C. HUMANITIES (minimum 3 units)

- American Sign Language 110, 111, 116, 210, 211
Anthropology 104 or 104H
Art 100 or 100H, 101, 102, 105, 107, 110
Communications and Media Studies 103, 105 or 105H, 111
Dance 100 or 100H, 105
Digital Media 101, 103, 104
English 104 or 104H
Foreign Language:
Chinese 101, 102
French 101, 102, 201 or 201H, 202 or 202H
Italian 120, 121
Japanese 101, 102
Spanish 101 or 101H, 102 or 102H, 195A, 195B, 201 or 201H, 202 or 202H
Vietnamese 101, 102
Interdisciplinary Studies 121, 200
Kinesiology, Professional 170
Literature:
Communications and Media Studies 110
English 102 or 102H, 231, 232, 233ABC, 241, 242, 243, 270, 271, 272
Music 101 or 101H, 102 or 102H, 104, 105, 110, 111
Philosophy 106 or 106H, 108, 112, 118
Theatre Arts 100, 105, 120, 123

D. CULTURAL BREADTH (Three units required from D1 or D2)

- 1. Ethnic Studies / Women's Studies**
American Sign Language 116
Anthropology 104 or 104H, 125
Art 103, 104, 106
Asian American Studies 101
Black Studies 101
Chicano Studies 101
Child Development 221
Communication Studies 103 or 103H, 206 or 206H
English 104 or 104H, 245, 246, 278
Ethnic Studies 101 or 101H, 102 or 102H
History 123, 124 or 124H, 125, 127, 146, 150, 151, 153, 163, 181
Kinesiology, Health Education 102
Music 103
Nutrition and Food 118
Political Science 235
Psychology 170
Women's Studies 101, 102
- 2. International Perspective**
Anthropology 100 or 100H
Business 106
Criminal Justice 209
Dance 105
English 271, 272

Geography 100 or 100H, 102
 Interdisciplinary Studies 117H
 Kinesiology, Professional 150
 Music 102 or 102H
 Philosophy 112
 Theatre Arts 105

E. LANGUAGE AND RATIONALITY (minimum 6 units)

1. English Composition (minimum 3 units)

Courses fulfilling the written composition requirement include both expository and argumentative writing. The English composition requirement may be met by completing English 101 or 101H with a grade of "C" or better.

2. Communication and Analytical Thinking (minimum 3 units)

Includes mathematics, logic, statistics, computer languages and programming and related disciplines.

Business 130

Communication Studies 102 or 102H, 140, 145

Computer Science 100, 105

Counseling 144

English 102 or 102H, 103 or 103H

Mathematics 078, 083, 084, 105, 140, 141, 145, 150, 162, 170, 180 or 180H, 185, 204, 219 or 219H, 221, 280, 287

Philosophy 110 or 110H, 111

Psychology 210

Reading 101X, 102, 150

F. LIFELONG UNDERSTANDING & SELF-DEVELOPMENT(minimum 3 units)

Note: Take one course from each group. No more than one (1) unit may be counted from F2.

A single course may be used to meet only one category requirement (A-F) in section II. However, a course may be used to meet both a required proficiency or oral communication requirement, as well as one of the categories of General Education Courses on Plan A. Courses which meet the requirements for Part II of Plan A at Santiago Canyon College will automatically meet the identical requirements for Part II of Plan A at Santa Ana College.

Three units for health education and one unit for Kinesiology may be granted on the basis of military service. Please see a SAC counselor or the SAC catalog for additional information.

1. Completion of one of the following:

Child Development 107

Counseling 100, 116, 120, 124, 125, 128

Entrepreneurship 100

Fashion Design Merchandising 103

Interdisciplinary Studies 111, 155

Kinesiology, Health Education 101, 102, 103, 104, 108

Kinesiology, Professional 125, 160

Library and Information Studies 100

Mathematics 030

Nutrition & Food 115 or 115H

Philosophy 111

Psychology 140, 160, 230

Sociology 112

Study Skills 109

2. Completion of one of the following:

Dance 102, 201A, 201B, 206A, 206B, 219A, 219B

Kinesiology, Activities 107A, 107B, 107C, 123, 140A, 150A, 155A, 160A, 169A, 169B, 170A, 200A, 200B, 200C, 211A, 211B, 220A, 220B, 220C, 226A, 230A, 260A, 260B, 260C, 265A, 265B, 265C, 270A, 290A, 290B

Kinesiology, Adapted Activities 201A, 202A, 202B, 205A, 208A, 208B, 211A, 211B

Kinesiology, Aerobic Fitness 140, 140A, 143A, 144A, 146A, 146B, 150A, 156A, 156B, 157A

Kinesiology, Aquatics 201A, 201B

Kinesiology, Fitness 112A, 112B, 112C, 114A, 114B, 115A, 115B, 115C, 147A, 147B

Kinesiology, Intercollegiate Athletics 125, 128, 133, 171, 201, 202, 204, 206, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 223, 227, 230, 231, 232, 235, 240, 261, 262, 270, 271, 281, 291, 293

Kinesiology, Professional 155, 165, 175, 195, 200, 275

This requirement (F) is met for Fire (as long as Fire Technology 121 and 121L are taken as part of the program), Nursing, and Occupational Therapy Assistant majors by completion of their major.

III. Required Proficiencies

Courses listed can also be used to meet General Education Requirements in groups A through F where appropriate. Courses taken to meet these proficiencies must be completed with a grade of C or better.

A. READING

The Reading Proficiency will be considered met by earning a C or better in English 101 or 101H.

B. MATHEMATICS

1. Completion of Mathematics 083/084 or any other 3 unit mathematics course numbered above the level of 083/084; or Psychology 210;
– **OR** –
2. Recommended placement into Math 140, Math 150, Math 162, Math 180, or Math 219 and without the recommendation of taking a course that provides additional support based on the Santa Ana College Mathematics Department multiple measures placement criteria;
– **OR** –
3. A score of 3 or better on the following AP exams: Statistics, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Computer Science Principles (Note: Meets Area B4 on CSU-GE Plan)

IV. Oral Communication Requirement

Completion of 3 units with a grade of "C" or better from the following: Communication Studies 101 or 101H (Interpersonal Communication), Communication Studies 102 or 102H (Public Speaking), Communication Studies 140 (Argumentation and Debate), Communication Studies 145 (Group Dynamics), Communication Studies 152 (Oral Interpretation).

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

A certificate is a verification of competency in a particular occupational skill. Certificate programs normally include only those courses which have a direct bearing upon specialized occupational competency since the certificate has the sole objective of immediate employment in a specialized area. For this reason there is no general education requirement in a certificate program. Santa Ana College certificate programs leading to immediate employment are listed in the catalog. To qualify for a certificate of completion, a candidate must meet the following requirements:

1. **Courses:** Courses are designated for the specific certificate.
2. **Grades:** At least a C grade in each course required for the certificate, unless otherwise specified. Credit by Examination may also be used to gain credit for required courses.
3. **Pass/No Pass:** A pass/no pass course is acceptable toward the certificate if it is required for the certificate and (a) offered on a pass/no pass basis only or (b) if the pass/no pass is earned on the basis of credit by examination.
4. **Residency:** Twelve units completed at SAC/SCC. (At least six of the units must be in courses required for the certificate, unless otherwise noted in the catalog.)
5. **Petition:** Petition for certificate filed by the student with the Office of Admissions and Records.