Course Substitutions and Reciprocity, Policy and Procedures

Students who have completed courses at another California community college, a regionally accredited institution and/or completed an external exam such as AP, CLEP, or IB may apply the coursework or exam results toward AA-T/AS-T major requirements as follows:

- A course with a C-ID designation which is completed at another California community college will be substituted for a SAC course that meets an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) major requirement designated with the same C-ID number. SAC departmental approval is not required.
- 2. A course without a C-ID designation which is completed at a regionally accredited institution, other than a California community college, will be reviewed by SAC discipline faculty. Course-to-course substitution will be granted based on discipline faculty determination of comparability to a SAC course with the approved C-ID designation for the given ADT. Course-to-course substitution will be granted in accordance with the state-wide C-ID descriptor when the SAC course does not have an approved C-ID designation, but a statewide C-ID descriptor exists. When no such descriptor exists, course substitution will be based on discipline faculty determination of comparability to a SAC course included on the ADT.
- 3. Students who have completed an external examination such as AP, CLEP, and IB are granted course credit toward ADT major requirements as listed in the SAC catalog. (Students should be aware that AP credit may be awarded/counted differently by the transfer institution.)
- 4. A course completed at another California community college that is approved as part of an associate degree for transfer will be applied to the corresponding Santa Ana College Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) in the corresponding SAC ADT area. Courses completed at other California community colleges must be part of the ADT at the time the student completed the course. Courses completed at other CCCs prior to ADT approval will be "grandfathered".
- 5. A course with a C-ID designation which is completed at another California Community College, but does not meet an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) major requirement at the college where completed or match a SAC C-ID number, can be applied to the ADT if the C-ID number is included in the statewide Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC) template. The course will be applied to the degree based on the location of the C-ID number on the TMC. SAC departmental approval is not required.