

Educational Series (4000)

Procedure #4030

Graduation Requirements

Chemeketa Community College degree and certificate requirements align with state guidelines and adhere to the college curriculum approval process.¹

Students who have taken more than a two (2) year break in enrollment or their studies have extended beyond five (5) years, will be moved to the most recent catalog requirements. The students catalog year is based on the student's attendance in a particular academic year and/or most recent admission/readmission term.

A maximum of 16 credits of "P" (Pass) grades may be applied to a degree. Specific degrees may deviate from this maximum or not allow P/NP grades for degree completion. A maximum of eight (8) credits of "P" (Pass) grades may be applied to a certificate of completion.

A. Associate of Arts (Oregon Transfer) Degree (AAOT)

To qualify for an Associate of Arts (Oregon Transfer) Degree, a student must meet these requirements:

1. Complete a minimum of 90 credits.
2. All courses must be passed with a grade of "C-" or better. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00 at the time the AAOT is awarded.
3. All Foundational Requirements and Discipline Studies courses must be a minimum of three credits, except for Health/Wellness/Fitness courses, which may be any number of credits.
4. Each level of a PE course (Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced) will only count once towards degree completion.
5. Complete a minimum of 24 credits at Chemeketa.
6. Complete the following Foundational Requirements:
 - a. Writing: Students taking writing classes of three credits each must take WR 121, 122, and either WR 123 or 227. Students taking writing classes for four credits each must take WR 121 and either WR 122 or 227. A student must have eight credits of writing. Information Literacy is included in the Writing requirement.
 - b. Oral Communication: One course in the fundamentals of speech or communication designated by the college as meeting statewide criteria for speech communication.
 - c. Mathematics: One course in college-level mathematics number 100 or higher which meets statewide criteria for mathematics.
 - d. Health/Wellness/Fitness: One or more courses totaling at least three credits.
7. Complete the following Discipline Studies requirements, with at least one course meeting statewide criteria for Cultural Literacy (DPR):
 - a. Arts and Letters: Three courses chosen from at least two or more disciplines.

¹ Oregon Community Colleges Handbook & Planning Guide (CCWD)

- The second year of a foreign language may be included, but not the first year. ASL is considered a foreign language.
- b. Social Sciences: Four courses chosen from at least two or more disciplines.
 - c. Science/Math/Computer Science: Four courses chosen from at least two disciplines, including at least three laboratory courses in biological or physical science.
 - d. Courses used to meet the Foundational requirements in Mathematics or Oral Communication may not be used to meet the Discipline Studies requirements listed above.
8. Complete Elective courses to bring the total number of credits to 90. Any college-level course designated by the college as acceptable, including a maximum of twelve credits of Career Technical Education courses may be applied towards the degree.

B. Associate of General Studies (AGS)

To qualify for an Associate of General Studies Degree, a student must meet these requirements:

1. Complete a minimum of 90 credits.
2. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00 or above at time the AGS is awarded.
3. All General Education and Distribution requirement courses must be a minimum of three credits, except for Health/Wellness/Fitness courses, which may be any number of credits.
4. Each level of a PE course (Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced) will only count once towards degree completion.
5. Complete a minimum of 24 credits at Chemeketa.
6. Complete the following General Education requirements:
 - a. Writing: Six credits, including WR 121 and one additional Writing course. Each must be passed with a grade of "C-" or better.
 - b. Communication: Three credits of COMM 100 or higher.
 - c. Mathematics: Three credits of MTH 053 or higher with a grade of "C-" or better.
 - d. Health/Wellness/Fitness: One or more courses totaling at least three credits.
7. Complete the following Distribution requirements:
 - a. Arts and Letters: Nine credits
 - b. Social Sciences: Twelve credits chosen from at least two disciplines.
 - c. Science: Eight credits of biological or physical science courses. Each course must include a laboratory.
8. Complete Elective courses to bring the total number of credits to 90.
 - a. A maximum of 36 credits of career technical education or developmental education courses numbered 050-099 may be applied toward the 90 credit hours required for the degree.
 - b. Developmental courses numbered less than 50 do not meet the requirements of the AGS degree.
 - c. A maximum of 12 credits of Health and Human Performance/Physical Education activity courses may be applied toward the degree.
 - d. A maximum of 12 credits of Cooperative Work Experience may be applied toward the degree.

C. Associate of Science (AS)

To qualify for an Associate of Science Degree, a student must meet these requirements:

1. Complete a minimum of 90 credits.
2. All courses must be passed with a "C-" or better. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of
3. 2.00 or above at the time the AS is awarded.
4. All General Education requirement courses must be a minimum of three credits, except for Health/Wellness/Fitness courses, which may be any number of credits.
5. Each level of a PE course (Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced) will only count once towards degree completion.
6. Complete a minimum of 24 credits at Chemeketa.
7. Complete the following General Education Requirements:
 - a. Writing: Six credits, including WR 121 and one additional Writing course for which WR 121 is a prerequisite.
 - b. Oral Communication: Three credits of COMM 100 or higher.
 - c. Mathematics: Four credits of MTH 111 or higher.
 - d. Health/Wellness/Fitness: One or more courses totaling at least three credits.
 - e. Arts and Letters: Nine credits chosen from at least two disciplines.
 - f. Social Science: Nine credits chosen from at least two disciplines.
 - g. Science: Twelve credits of biological or physical science courses. Each course must include a laboratory.
8. Complete Elective courses to bring the total number of credits to 90.
 - a. All courses must be 100 level or above and be lower division collegiate courses.

D. Associate of Arts Transfer (AAT)

To qualify for an Associate of Arts Transfer degree, a student must meet these requirements:

1. Complete a minimum of 90 credits.
 - a. The requirements of the specific award may not exceed 108 quarter credits.
2. All courses must be passed with a grade of "C-" or better. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00 at the time the AAT is awarded.
3. The Associate of Arts Transfer degree(s) include at least eight (8) courses/minimum 30 credits of embedded coursework called the Core Transfer Map (CTM).
 - a. Unless noted otherwise in the specific major requirement for an individual AAT award, courses used to satisfy CTM requirements may also be used to satisfy major requirements.
 - b. All CTM courses must be a minimum of three (3) credits.
 - c. The CTM portion includes six (6) specific course categories. At least eight (8) courses across those six (6) categories must be completed.
 - d. The CTM must total a minimum of 30 credits.
 - i. If the completion of the eight (8) required courses does not total 30 credits, any additional course designated as meeting the statewide criteria for Arts and Letters, Social Sciences, or Math/Science, Computer Science may be used to bring the total to 30 credits.
 - e. Individual AAT majors may designate that specific courses must be taken to fulfill the CTM requirements for that major, as outlined in the major specific

- requirements in the MTM MOU.
- f. CTM Course Categories and Criteria:
 - i. Writing: College/English Composition 1 (Writing 121).
 - ii. Mathematics: One course in college-level mathematics designated by the MTM workgroup as meeting the statewide criteria for mathematics.
 - iii. Arts and Letters: Two courses designated as meeting the statewide criteria for Arts and Letters.
 - iv. Social Sciences: Two courses designated as meeting the statewide criteria for Social Sciences.
 - v. Natural Sciences: Two laboratory courses in biological and/or physical sciences designated as meeting the statewide criteria for Math/Science/Computer Science.
 - vi. Cultural Literacy: One of the required courses selected for Arts and Letters, Social Sciences, or Natural Sciences must also be designated as meeting the statewide criteria for cultural literacy.
 4. Students must complete the specific requirements designated for the individual AAT major as outlined in the major specific requirements.
 5. Any college-level course designated by the college as acceptable can be used for elective credits. A maximum of 12 credits of collegiate-level Career and Technical education courses may be applied towards the degree.
 6. Individual AAT majors may recommend specific elective courses and/or indicate where specific elective courses may be required by an individual public university in Oregon.

E. Associate of Science Transfer (AST)

To qualify for an Associate of Science Transfer degree, a student must meet these requirements:

1. Complete a minimum of 90 credits.
 - a. The requirements of the specific award may not exceed 108 quarter credits.
2. All courses must be passed with a grade of "C-" or better. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00 at the time the AST is awarded.
3. The Associate of Science Transfer degree(s) include at least eight (8) courses/minimum 30 credits of embedded coursework called the Core Transfer Map (CTM).
 - a. Unless noted otherwise in the specific major requirement for an individual AST award, courses used to satisfy CTM requirements may also be used to satisfy major requirements.
 - b. All CTM courses must be a minimum of three (3) credits.
 - c. The CTM portion includes six (6) specific course categories. At least eight (8) courses across those six (6) categories must be completed.
 - d. The CTM must total a minimum of 30 credits.
 - i. If the completion of the eight (8) required courses does not total 30 credits, any additional course designated as meeting the statewide criteria for Arts and Letters, Social Sciences, or Math/Science/Computer Science may be used to bring the total to 30 credits.
- e. Individual AST majors may designate that specific courses must be taken to fulfill

- the CTM requirements for that major, as outlined in the major specific requirements in the MTM MOU.
- f. CTM Course Categories and Criteria:
 - i. Writing: College/English Composition 1 (Writing 121).
 - ii. Mathematics: One course in college-level mathematics designated by the MTM workgroup as meeting the statewide criteria for mathematics.
 - iii. Arts and Letters: Two courses designated as meeting the statewide criteria for Arts and Letters.
 - iv. Social Sciences: Two courses designated as meeting the statewide criteria for Social Sciences.
 - v. Natural Sciences: Two laboratory courses in biological and/or physical sciences designated as meeting the statewide criteria for Math/Science/Computer Science.
 - vi. Cultural Literacy: One of the required courses selected for Arts and Letters, Social Sciences, or Natural Sciences must also be designated as meeting the statewide criteria for cultural literacy.
 4. Students must complete the specific requirements designated for the individual AST major as outlined in the major specific requirements.
 5. Any college-level course designated by the college as acceptable can be used for elective credits. A maximum of 12 credits of collegiate-level Career and Technical education courses may be applied towards the degree.
 - a. Individual AST majors recommend specific elective courses and/or indicate where specific elective courses may be required by an individual university in Oregon.

F. Associate of Applied Science Degree (AAS)

To qualify for an Associate of Applied Science Degree, a student must meet these requirements:

1. Complete a minimum of 90 credits.
2. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00 or above at the time the AAS is awarded.
3. Complete the required courses and credits listed in the college catalog for a Career and Technical Education program.
4. Complete a minimum of 24 credits at Chemeketa.
5. Complete the following Related Instruction (nine credits minimum)
 - a. Writing (a minimum of three (3) credits).
 - b. Human Relations/Psychology/Sociology.
 - c. Computation/Mathematics.
 - d. Complete the following General Education Electives and additional credit requirements:
 - i. A total of three credits taken from at least one of the following three areas:
 - ii. Arts and Letters
 - iii. Science/Applied Science
 - iv. Social Science
 - e. Complete three additional credits from any of these areas: Health and Human Performance/Physical Education, Arts and Letters, Mathematics, Science/Applied Science, Social Science, Writing*, English as a Non-Native

Language*, Reading*, and Study Skills*

* Must be 100 level or higher

G. Certificate of Completion

To qualify for a Certificate of Completion, a student must meet these requirements:

1. Complete the required courses and credits listed in the college catalog for a Certificate of Completion.
2. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 or above at the time the certificate is awarded.
3. Complete a minimum of 12 credits at Chemeketa.
4. For Certificates of Completion of one year or greater in length:
 - a. Complete the following Related Instruction requirements:
 - i. Writing
 - ii. Human Relations/Sociology/Psychology
 - iii. Computation

H. GED Certificate

GED (General Education Development) Certificates are awarded by the Oregon State Department of Education. Chemeketa provides GED test preparation classes and test administration.

I. Bachelor of Applied Science

To qualify for a Bachelor of Applied Science degree, a student must meet these requirements:

1. Complete a minimum of 180 credits– this includes an associates degree or its equivalent in addition to required program courses.
2. Earn a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00 or above at the time the bachelor of applied science is awarded.
3. Complete a minimum of 45 credits at Chemeketa.

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