

# Associate Degree Comprehensive Requirements

Students earning an associate's degree from Oregon Coast Community College (OCCC) must successfully complete the Associate Degree Comprehensive Requirements listed below, along with additional requirements for specific associate's degrees. In addition, each degree requires basic competencies in Writing and Math. Competency requirements vary by associate's degree. Please check the competency requirements for specific degrees.

## Comprehensive Requirements:

All candidates must earn a minimum of 90 credits which count toward an associate's degree. Credit courses numbered below 100 cannot be used to fulfill the 90-credit minimum requirement for any degree.

## Residency Requirement:

All candidates for a degree at OCCC must accumulate at least 30 quarter hours of satisfactory work at OCCC to establish residency. Non-traditional credit, credit transferred from another institution, or challenge credit cannot be used to establish the 30- quarter-hour residency requirement. Twenty-four of the credits earned at OCCC must apply to the specific associates degree the student is pursuing.

All candidates seeking a degree must have a 2.0 grade point average (C average) or higher.

## Associate Degree Comprehensive Requirement limits:

- OCCC courses approved to be repeated for credit, other than Cooperative Education, may only be applied once in meeting an OCCC degree or certificate requirement. Students may take a course additional times for credit, if the course is so designated, but those additional credits may not be used toward fulfilling OCCC degree or certificate requirements. Certain CTE programs have exceptions to this requirement. Contact programs for information.
- A maximum of 12 credits of Cooperative Education courses may be applied to the degree. Specific AAS degrees that deviate from this maximum will state the degree maximum up to 24 credits (12 credits per year) in the degree requirements for the specific AAS Degree.
- A maximum of 9 credits of 199 or 299 experimental courses may be applied to the degree. A maximum of 24 credits for English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) may be applied to the degree.
- A maximum of 24 credits of "P" (Pass) grades will apply to any degree. Specific AAS degrees that deviate from this maximum will state the degree maximum in the degree requirements for the specific AAS degree.