

Academic Policies and Standards



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Associate Degree Requirements – Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer Degree (AAOT)

The Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer degree is an opportunity for students to complete lower division degree requirements at PCC.

Any student having the Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer (AAOT) degree recognized on an official college transcript will have met the lower division general education requirements of baccalaureate degree programs of any institution in the Oregon University System.

Students transferring under this agreement will have junior status for registration purposes. Course, class standing or GPA requirements for specific majors, departments or schools are not necessarily satisfied by an AAOT degree.

All courses should be aligned with the student's intended program of study and the degree requirements of the baccalaureate institution to which the student plans to transfer. A student is encouraged to work with an advisor in the selection of courses.

The Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer degree is awarded to students who meet the following requirements:

1. Associate Degree Comprehensive Requirements (refer to Academic Standards and Practices A106, Associate Degree Requirements-Comprehensive).
2. Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer Degree Requirements:

All courses must be passed with a grade of "C-" or better. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 at the time the AAOT is awarded.

- A. Foundational Requirements: Courses must be a minimum of 3 credits (except for Health/Wellness/Fitness courses, which may be any number of credits)

- **Writing ***: Writing: WR 121 and either 122 or 227. A student must have at least 8 credits of Writing; WR 123 may be used to complete the 8 credits.
- **Oral Communication**: Speech 111 or 112 or 113
- **Math***: MTH 105 or higher for which Intermediate Algebra is a prerequisite.
- **Health/Wellness/Fitness**: One or more courses totaling at least three credits from HE 242, 250, 254, HPE 295, or PE (not including PE10, 199 or 299)

*Basic Competency Requirements for Writing and Math will be met by successfully completing these courses. The Information Literacy requirement is satisfied by successful completion of the Writing courses.

B. Discipline Studies:

Students must complete at least 11 Discipline Studies courses from the General Education /Discipline Studies List. All courses in Discipline studies must be a minimum of 3 credits. A course may count towards foundational requirements or discipline studies but not both.

- **Arts and Letters**: Complete at least 3 courses chosen from at least two disciplines in the this area
- **Social Sciences**: Complete at least 4 courses chosen from at least two disciplines in the this area
- **Science/Math/Computer Science**: Complete at least 4 courses from at least two disciplines in this area, including at least three laboratory courses in biological and/or physical science
- **Cultural Literacy**: Students must select one course from any of the discipline studies that is designated as meeting the statewide criteria for cultural literacy (as indicated on the General Education /Discipline Studies List). This course can be one of the 11 required Discipline Studies courses.

C. Elective Credit Requirements:

All candidates must complete elective credits to meet the overall requirement of 90 credits for this degree. Elective courses may be any number of credits. Elective credits may include any lower division collegiate course. A maximum of 12 credits of Career and Technical Education courses may be applied to this degree. 1-credit MSD workshops may not be applied to this degree. A maximum of 3 credits of physical education (PE) courses may be applied to this degree.

The [Guidelines for the Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer Degree](#) were approved by the Joint Boards Articulation Committee on November 9, 2009.