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Students who have been awarded a bachelor's degree from a regionally-accredited institution in the United State will be exempt from the general education requirements should they pursue an Associate of Arts or Science degree at one of the District's colleges.

III. GRADE POINT AVERAGE REQUIREMENT

A student must have a minimum grade point average of not less than 2.0 ("C" average) in coursework taken at Riverside Community College District. If coursework taken at one or more accredited colleges is used to satisfy degree requirements, the overall cumulative grade point average must not be less than 2.0 and will include the combination of all grades from all transcripts used.

If coursework is applied towards degree requirements from an institution using a "+/-" grading scale, the original grade points assigned by that institution as indicated on the transcript will be used to calculate the cumulative grade point average. Honors for graduation will be calculated in the same manner.

IV. UNIT REQUIREMENT

The associate degree requires a minimum of 60 units of college work, of which 18 semester units are in one of the eight areas of emphasis listed below. Students must also complete one of the three General Education Plans (see section VI.) Plan A requires a minimum of 27 units in the following categories: Natural Sciences (three units), Social and Behavioral Sciences (six units), Humanities (three units), Language and Rationality (10 units), and Health Education and Self Development (five units). Plan B requires a minimum of 39 units as specified in the California State University General Education (CSUGE) pattern. Plan C requires a minimum of 34 - 37 units as specified in the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) pattern (IGETC for CSU or IGETC for UC). Students who wish to transfer are encouraged to complete an associate degree and to see a counselor before selecting a plan which will best match their goals.

V. BASIC SKILLS COMPETENCY REQUIREMENT (0-8 UNITS)

- A. Students must demonstrate minimum proficiency in mathematics by the successful completion of a Riverside Community College District mathematics course with a "C" or higher selected from Math 1-36 (excluding MAT-32) or MAT-53 or the equivalent [CLEP, AP/IB Exams, Credit by Exam, other pathways such as courses from other colleges/universities, or Early Assessment Test (EAP for CSU, MCAP)].
- B. Students must demonstrate reading competency by obtaining:
 1. completion of Reading 3, 83 or 90 with a "C" or higher;
 - OR*
 2. a minimum grade of "C" in each general education course;
 - OR*
 3. satisfactory reading score on a standardized reading test approved by the English department. Students who do not meet Riverside Community College

District's reading competency requirement should enroll in a reading class within their first 18 units undertaken at the college.

4. students who have completed an associate's or higher degree at an accredited institution are exempt from the reading competency requirement. Waivers may also be granted on a case-by-case basis.

- C. Students must demonstrate basic competency in writing by successfully completing the general education requirements of English 1A or 1AH with a "C" grade or better.

VI. GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

General education is designed to introduce students to a breadth of study through which people comprehend the modern world. It reflects the conviction of Riverside Community College District that those who receive their degrees must possess in common certain basic principles, concepts and methodologies both unique to and shared by the various disciplines. Special workshop classes (numbered in the 100 series) cannot be used to fulfill general education requirements. The following basic skills courses are non-degree applicable: English 80, 90B, 91; English as a Second Language 51, 52, 53, 71, 72, 90A-M, 90P, 91, 92, 95, Mathematics 37, 45, 52, 63, 64, 65, 81, 82, 90 A-F, 98, 105, 112, 125, 136; and Reading 81, 82, 83, 86, 90, 887.

The following courses are also non-degree applicable: Communication Studies 51, 85A, 85B; English 85; English as a Second Language 65; Interdisciplinary Studies 3; Nursing-Continuing Education: 81; Nursing-Registered: 11B, 11C, 12B, 12C, 18, 21B, 21C, 22B, 22C; Nursing-Vocational: 52A, 52B, 52C, 62A, 62B, 62C.

General education requirements can be met in one of three ways: Plan A, B, or C. Students should see a counselor for advice in selecting the plan that will best match their educational and career goals.

PLAN A: the RCCD general education pattern which requires completion of a minimum of 27 units.

PLAN B: the California State University General Education (CSUGE) pattern which requires completion of a minimum of 39 units.

PLAN C: the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) pattern which requires completion of a minimum of 34 (UC) or 37 (CSU) units.

PLAN A

RCCD General Education

A. NATURAL SCIENCES (3 units)

Any course for which the student is eligible in anatomy and physiology, Anthropology 1 or 1H, astronomy, biology (except BIO-35), chemistry, Geography 1 or 1H or 5/ Physical Science 5, geology, microbiology, oceanography, physical science, physics and Psychology 2. Waiver for this requirement will be granted for Cosmetology 60C, and Electronics 21.

B. SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (6 units)

1. American Institutions (3 units)

History 6 or 6H, 7 or 7H, 15, 26, 28, 29, 31, 34

or

Political Science 1 or 1H, 5

AND

Kinesiology/varsity courses (KIN): V01, V02, V04, V05, V06, V07, V08, V09, V10, V11, V12, V14, V18, V19, V20, V21, V22, V23, V24, V25, V26, V27, V33, V34, V50, V51, V52, V53, V60, V61, V70, V78, V82, V92, V94, V95

A course may only be counted once except for varsity courses.

SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL STUDIES

NAA499 /NAA499B/NAA499C

Social and Behavioral Studies is a collection of academic disciplines dedicated to the scholarly study of the human experience. As a comprehensive and multidisciplinary area of study, Social and Behavioral Studies will afford the student an opportunity to explore and examine the nature and multitude of interactive relationships amongst and between individuals and between the individual and their social environment; ranging from the development of the individual, to the nuances of interpersonal interaction, to the dynamic structures of national and global communities. Ultimately, the student of Social and Behavioral Studies will gain a heightened awareness of the nature of their individuality, attain a greater understanding and appreciation of the complexities and diversity of the world in which they live and, become better equipped to succeed in an increasingly diverse and complex society.

Career paths typically chosen by undergraduate students emphasizing Social and Behavioral Studies include: Law Enforcement, Law, Human Relations, Human Resources, Social Work, Professional Childcare and Public Service Agencies, Teaching across the educational and academic spectrum, Consultation in the public and private sectors, Governmental Advisors, Speechwriting, and both domestic and international business professions.

Program Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of this area of emphasis, the successful student should be able to:

1. Demonstrate a knowledge and understanding that the development, maintenance, and adaptation of the individual self and the personality is a product of the interaction between the individual and their social environment.
2. Demonstrate a breadth of knowledge of the social and cultural environments at the local, regional and global levels.
3. Demonstrate a working knowledge of the many facets and intricacies of social interaction from the intrapersonal, to the interpersonal to the societal levels.
4. Demonstrate an ability to apply the theories and principles of human development, human interaction, cultural diversity, and global awareness to their everyday lives.

The student must successfully complete 18 units of study across a minimum of three disciplines listed below with a grade of “C” or better or a “P” if the course is taken on a “pass-no pass” basis.

INCLUDED DISCIPLINES AND COURSES:

Administration of Justice/Justice Studies (ADJ): 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 13, 14, 15, 30

Administration of Justice/Law Enforcement (ADJ): 6, 16, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25

Anthropology (ANT): 1, 1H, 2, 2H, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10

Communication Studies (COM): 1, 1H, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 9H, 12, 13

Early Childhood Education (EAR): 19, 20, 25, 28, 33, 40, 42, 43, 47

Economics (ECO): 4, 5, 6, 7, 7H, 8, 8H, 9, 9H, 10

Geography (GEG): 2, 3, 4, 6

Guidance (GUI): 47, 48

History (HIS): 1, 2, 2H, 4, 5, 6, 6H, 7, 7H, 21, 22, 35

Human Services (HMS): 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19

Library Science (LIB): 1

Political Science (POL): 1, 1H, 2, 2H, 3, 4, 4H, 5, 6, 7ABCD, 8, 10A, 10B, 10C, 10D, 11, 12, 13, 14

Psychology (PSY): 1, 1H, 2, 8, 9, 33, 35, 48, 50

Sociology (SOC): 1, 1H, 2, 3, 10, 12, 15, 20, 22, 25, 48

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The Associate of Science Degree in Career and Technical Education Programs will be awarded upon completion of the requirements for the certificate or program of 18 units or more with a grade of “C” or better or a “P” if the course is taken on a “pass/nopass” basis plus completion of the graduation requirements as described in the catalog, as well as electives, totaling 60 units of college work as required for the associate degree. Specific requirements for each program are listed in this catalog.

MATH AND SCIENCE

NAS493 /NAS493B/NAS493C

These courses emphasize the natural sciences, which examine the physical universe, its life forms, and its natural phenomena. Courses in Math emphasize mathematical, analytical, and reasoning skills beyond the level of intermediate algebra. Courses in science emphasize an understanding of the process of science and the scientific method. All courses emphasize the use of mathematics and science as investigative tools, the role of mathematics and science as part of human civilization and society, and the inherent value of both inductive and deductive reasoning as part of the human experience.

This area of emphasis is designed for general education students, as well as students interested in mathematics or sciences as a possible career path, with career opportunities included in mathematics, chemistry, physics, biology, ecological/earth sciences, geology, engineering, computer science, electronics, oceanography, microbiology, kinesiology/ exercise science and the medical sciences.

Program Learning Outcomes:

Students possessing an Associate Degree in Math and Science can be expected to demonstrate achievement of the following learning outcomes:

1. Apply the basic operations of mathematics on the set of real and complex numbers, expressions, and equations
2. Apply the principles of the scientific method, including the use of inductive and deductive reasoning to pose, test, and accept or reject hypotheses.
3. Recognize and determine the role of mathematics and the sciences as investigative and reasoning tools of human societies.

The student must successfully complete 18 units of study with a grade of “C” or better or a “P” if the course is taken on a “pass-no pass” basis.

INCLUDED DISCIPLINES AND COURSES:

Required Courses (Take one course in each of the three categories, including one course with a lab):

Mathematics (MAT): 1A, 5, 10, 11, 12, 12H, 25