Applied Science Degree

Associate Degree Requirements (AAS)

The associate in applied science degree is designed to prepare students for immediate vocational, technical or semi-professional employment.

Students elect this degree to gain entry-level knowledge and skills for employment in a specific field or occupation.

Programs are offered in the areas of health, business, applied and engineering technologies, and human/public services. As in other associate degrees, the equivalent of two-year’s, full-time study is usually required. Extended associate degrees may require one or more semesters of study beyond the normal requirements. Programs are designated “Extended” (AASX) when they require 73 or more credit hours.

High school graduates who completed state-approved career and technical education (CTE) programs may be eligible to receive college credit for work completed while in high school. These programs begin in high school and allow smooth transition for the student into associate degree programs at the college. Detailed information can be obtained by contacting an OCC Counseling Office or by visiting oaklandcc.edu/articulation.

The associate in applied science degree does not meet the requirements of the Michigan Transfer Agreement for general education equivalent transfer.

Courses that satisfy associate in applied science degree requirements.

In addition to the requirements for an associate degree, candidates for the associate in applied science degree must fulfill major and supportive course requirements of the specific program and satisfy the General Education Distribution requirements.

The student will complete a minimum of 3 credit hours in each of the following areas from specific General Education courses. Courses that satisfy these categories are in the lists of General Education Distribution Requirements.

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1. Course work used to meet the Communication/English Distribution requirement cannot be used to fulfill the Written Communication Distribution requirement.
2. Course work used to meet the Written Communication Distribution requirement cannot be used to fulfill the Communication/English Distribution requirement.
3. The Written Communication requirement should be completed prior to the completion of 30 credit hours.

A minimum cumulative 2.00 grade point average (GPA) overall is required for graduation.