Description
The Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degree requires at least 60 credits in its program of study. The exact number of credits for a specific degree is identified as part of the presentation of its requirements on the web or in the college catalog.

Purpose of the Degree
The Maricopa County Community College District Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degree is recommended for students who wish to gain a depth of technical expertise in a particular workforce-related area of study. The AAS degree options vary at the different MCCCD colleges. Students can find other listings of AAS degree options sorted either alphabetically or by area of interest. Requirements for each degree can be found on the linked webpages and in the corresponding college(s)’s catalog.

Academic Policies that Govern the AAS degree:

* Requires 60 or more credits numbered 100 or above and includes credits or the equivalent in the General Education Core areas and credits in the Distribution areas. AAS degree requirements follow with the use of a diagonal character (/) between course numbers to signify options. An asterisk (*) following the course number defines requirements with an effective begin term of spring;

* Requires grades as listed for specific areas such as the General Education Core where a minimum grade of “C” is required. See specific AAS occupational degree for specific program grade requirements;

* Follows the graduation policies within the general catalog;

* Includes both courses and their modular equivalents, either the course or the modular equivalents will satisfy the Associate in Applied Science requirements.

* Requires at least 12 semester credit hours earned at the college awarding the AAS degree. The 12 hours in the AAS degree curricula may be in the Required Courses area and/or Restricted Electives courses. Courses from the General Education Core and Distribution area are excluded.

Shared Programs are programs offered at multiple colleges but not available at all colleges. The requirements are identical at all the colleges offering the program.

A shared program requires a minimum of six credit hours from the total program requirements to be completed with a grade of “C” or better at the college awarding the certificate or degree (The exception is the Nursing program. Students must apply for graduation from the college where they have successfully completed Block 4 of the Associate in Applied Science in Nursing). The minimum of six credit hours in the degree curricula may be in the Required Courses area and/or the Restricted Electives. Courses from the General Education Core and Distribution areas are excluded;

* Requires completion of General Education courses as indicated in the General Education Requirements for the Associate in Applied Science degree from the Maricopa County Community College District, or completion of a curriculum as stated in the catalog;

* Accepts one of the courses that is cross-referenced with other courses.
Maricopa Community Colleges (MCCCD)
2018-2019 Associate in Applied Science (AAS) General Education Requirements

GENERAL EDUCATION CORE
(12-15 credits - grade of “C” or better)
Demonstrate college-level skills in the following areas:

First-Year Composition (6 credits)
ENG English [101/107] & [102/108/111]

Oral Communication (3 credits)
COM Communication 100/100AA & 100AB & 100AC/110/110AA & 110AB & 110AC/225/230

Critical Reading (3 credits)
CRE Critical Reading 101/111/Equivalent as indicated by assessment

Mathematics (3 credits)

GENERAL EDUCATION DISTRIBUTION AREAS
(9-10 credits)

Humanities, Arts and Design (2-3 credits)
AHU Arabic Humanities 245
AIS American Indian Studies 213
AJS Administration of Justice Studies 123
ARH Art Humanities Any ARH Course(s)
ART Art 131
ASB Anthropology 211/214/220/222/223/253
CCS Chicana and Chicano Studies 101
CNS Construction 101
COM Communication 241
DAH Dance Humanities 100/201/250/255
EDU Education 291/292/294
ENG English 200/213/218
ENH English Humanities Any ENH Course(s) (except 250)
FRF French 265
HCR Health Care Related 210
HIS History 101/102/103/108/110/111/113/114/203/212/251/252/275
HON Honors 190
HUM Humanities Any HUM course(s) (except 120, 225)
INT Interior Design 115/120/225
LAT Latin 201/202
MHL Music: History/Literature 140/143/145/146/153/155/194/204/241/242/295
PHI Philosophy Any PHI Course(s)
REL Religious Studies Any REL Course(s)
SLC Studies in Language & Culture 201
SPA Spanish 241/242/265/266
SPH Spanish Humanities 241, 245
SSH Sustainability/Social Sciences and Humanities 111
STO Storytelling 292/294

Humanities, Arts and Design Continued
TCM Telecommunications 107
THE Theatre 111/220
THF Theatre and Film 205/206/210
THP Theatre Performance/Production 241
WST Women’s Studies 209/284/285/290

Social-Behavioral Sciences (3 credits)
AFR African American Studies 202
AIS American Indian Studies 101/140/141/160
AJS Administration of Justice Studies 101/200/225/258/259/270
ASB Anthropology 100/102/202/211/222/223/226/230/235/252
ASM Anthropology 104/275
CCS Chicana and Chicano Studies 202
CFS Child/Family Studies 112/157/159/176/205/235/259
COM Communications 100/100AA&100AB&100AC/110/110AA&110AB & 110AC/163/230/250/263
ECH Early Childhood Education 176
ECN Economics Any ECN course(s)
EDU Education 221/222
EED Early Education 200/205/222
EMT Emergency Medical Technology 258
ENG English 213
FOR Forensic Science 275
FSC Fire Science 258
FUS Future Studies 101
GCU Cultural Geography 102/113/121/122/141/221
HES Health Science 100
HIS History Any HIS course(s) (except 111, 170, 251, 252, 253, 254)
HON Honors 201
IBS International Business 109
IFS Information Studies 201, 210
MCO Mass Communications 120
MGT Management 229/230
PAD Public Administration 200
POS Political Science Any POS course(s)
REC Recreation 120
SBU Society and Business 200
SLC Studies in Language & Culture 201
SOC Sociology Any SOC course(s) (except 143, 245, 253, 265)
SSH Sustainability/Social Sciences and Humanities 111
SUS Sustainability/Natural Sciences 110
SWU Social Work 102/171/250/258/295
WED Wellness Education 110
WST Women’s Studies 100/161
YAQ Yaqui Indian History and Culture 100
Natural Sciences (4 credits)
The lecture course(s) selected for Natural Sciences must include or
be accompanied by the corresponding laboratory course. The
lecture and corresponding laboratory course(s) may carry separate
credit. Students should consult with an advisor for appropriate
course selection.
AGS  Agricultural Science 164, 260
ASB  Anthropology (Soc/Bhv. Science) 231
ASM  Anthropology (Science/Math) 104/265/275
AST  Astronomy 101&102/106&107/111/112/113/114
BIO  Biology 100/101/102/105/107/108/109/111/145/
     149AN/156/156XT/160/181/181XT/182/201/201XT/202/
     205/241/245
CHM  Chemistry 107&107LL/130&130LL/130AA/
     150AA/150&151LL/151AA/151&151LL/152AA/
     152&152LL/154&154LL/230&230LL
CNS  Construction 106
ENV  Environmental Sciences 101
FON  Food and Nutrition 241&241LL
FOR  Forensic Science 105/106/275
GLG  Geology Any GLG course(s)
GPH  Physical Geography 111/112&113/211/212&214/
     213&215
PHS  Physical Science 110/120
PHY  Physics 101/101AA/111/111AA/112/115/116/
     121/131
PSY  Psychology 275/290AB/290AC