

**Maricopa Community Colleges (MCCCD)**  
**2019-2020 Associate in Applied Science (AAS) Degree and General Education Requirements**

**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 and can be searched [alphabetically](#) or by [field 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;
- \* All courses must be completed with a grade of C or higher; any additional requirements such as grades of B or higher or minimum grade point average requirements are listed on individual degrees and certificates;
- \* 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.

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**GENERAL EDUCATION CORE**

(12-15 credits)

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)**

MAT Mathematics 103AA&103AB/112/120/121/122/126  
140/141/142/145/146/150/  
MAT150&182/151/MAT151&182/  
152/152&182/155/155&182/  
156/156&182/172/187/206/212/213/220/221/230/231/  
240/241/256/257/261/262/276/277/equivalent course/  
Satisfactory completion of a higher level mathematics course

**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  
 COM Communication 241  
 CON Construction 101 (formerly CNS 101)  
 DAH Dance Humanities 100/101/201/250/255  
 EDU Education 291/292/294  
 ENG English 200/213/218  
 ENH English Humanities Any ENH Course(s) (except 250)  
 FRE French 265  
 GST Game Studies 202  
 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  
 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 201/202  
 SPA Spanish 241/242/265/266  
 SPH Spanish Humanities 241, 245  
 SSH Sustainability/Social Sciences and Humanities 111  
 STO Storytelling 292/294

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**Humanities, Arts and Design Continued**

SWU Social Work 183  
 TCM Telecommunications 107  
 TEC Textiles and Clothing 105  
 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 202/203/204  
 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  
 BHS Behavioral Health Services Technology 150  
 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)  
 PSY Psychology 101/123/132/156/157/215/218/  
225/235/240/241/243/250/260/266/277/280/292  
 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 102/171/182/250/258/295  
 TEC Textiles and Clothing 105  
 WED Wellness Education 110  
 WST Women's Studies 100/161  
 YAQ Yaqui Indian History and Culture 100

\*\*CRE111 course deleted end of 2019 Summer  
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**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/Behv. Science) 231
ASM	Anthropology (Science/Math) 104/265/275
AST	Astronomy 101/106/111/112/113/114
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
CON	Construction 106 (formerly CNS106)
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