# **Chapter 4 – Academic Affairs**

# AP 4100 Graduation Requirements for Degrees and Certificates

#### **References:**

Title 5 Sections 55060 et seq.

## **Credit Degrees and Certificates**

The Mt. San Antonio College Catalog contains the most recent information on the requirements for the Associate in Science Degrees, Associate in Arts Degrees, Associate Degrees for Transfer, multiple degrees, skills certificates, certificates of achievement, and credit for prior learning. The College Catalog is updated annually in collaboration with the Academic Senate for currency and correctness.

For the Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree, a student must demonstrate competence in reading, in written expression, and in mathematics and must satisfactorily complete at least 60 semester units of college work.

A definition of "college work" that provides that courses acceptable toward the associate degree include those that have been properly approved pursuant to Title 5 Section 55002(a), or, if completed at other than a California community college, would reasonably be expected to meet the standards of that section.

The work must include at least 18 semester units in general education, at least 18 semester units in a major listed in the Community Colleges "Taxonomy of Programs," and at least 12 semester units of study in residence; exceptions to the residence requirement can be made by the Board when an injustice or undue hardship would result.

The general education requirements must include a minimum of work in the natural sciences, the social and behavioral sciences, the humanities, ethnic studies, and language and rationality.

## Noncredit Certificates

The Mt. San Antonio College Catalog and Schedules of Classes contain the most recent information on the requirements for the Career Development and College Preparation (CDCP) Certificates, including Certificates of Completion and Certificates of Competency. Certificates are offered in a variety of noncredit programs through the School of Continuing Education. For the Secondary Education Certificate, students must complete 160 high school credits with a minimum of 20 residency credits to be taken at Mt. San Antonio College. High school credits may be granted for previous equivalent courses taken at accredited institutions per AP 4051 Course Equivalencies and Substitutions. The College Catalog is updated annually in consultation with the Academic Senate for currency and correctness.

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