

San Luis Obispo County  
Community College District  
Cuesta College

## **BP 4100 Graduation Requirements for Degrees and Certificates**

### **References:**

Education Code Section 70902(b)(3);  
Title 5 Sections 55060 et seq.

### **Credit Programs**

The District grants the degrees of Associate in Arts and Associate in Science to those students who have completed the requirements for graduation and who have maintained a 2.0 average in all degree applicable courses attempted at all regionally accredited institutions of higher education. Students must also complete the general education, competency, and residency requirements set forth in Title 5 regulations.

The District awards Certificates of Achievement to those students who have completed a minimum of 18 semester (27 quarter) units of specified course work, designed to develop capabilities that are oriented to career/vocational areas, or general education. A minimum of a 2.0 grade point average is required for course work pertaining to the Certificate of Achievement, including a "C" or better in each course.

The District awards Certificates of Specialization to those students who have completed a specific pattern of course work, totaling less than 18 semester units, which have been designed to develop capabilities that are oriented to career or vocational areas. A minimum of a 2.0 grade point average is required for course work pertaining to the Certificate of Specialization, including a "C" or better in each course.

### **Noncredit Programs**

The District awards Certificate of Competency to those students in a recognized career field articulated with degree applicable coursework, completion of an associate degree, or transfer to a baccalaureate institution.

The District awards Certificate of Completion to those students in leading to improved employability or job opportunities.

The Superintendent/President shall establish procedures for determining degree and certificate requirements, including appropriate involvement of the local curriculum committee. These procedures shall assure that graduation requirements are published in the District's catalog(s) and that they are included in other curriculum resources that are convenient for students.

See Administrative Procedures 4100

See Board Policy 4020 for Program, Curriculum & Course Development

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