The governing board of the Riverside Community College District shall confer the degree of associate in one of the eight areas of emphasis upon the student who has demonstrated competence and who has completed the following requirements:

**Residence Requirement:**
In order to receive an A.A./A.S. degree from Riverside Community College District, a student must complete 15 units in residence at one of the colleges within the Riverside Community District.

**Academic Coursework Taken at other Colleges and Universities:**
Official transcripts from all schools and colleges attended must be dated within the preceding 90 days/3 months, be in their original sealed envelope, and be submitted to the Admissions and Records office at the student's home college. Course credit is accepted from all regionally accredited institutions as listed at www.collegesource.org. Credits from institutions, which are in candidacy status, will be accepted after full accreditation is granted. The two years preceding full accreditation will also be applicable towards the AA/AS Degree. Honors for graduation will be calculated in the same manner.

**Grade Point Average Requirement:**
A student must have a minimum grade point average of not less than 2.0 ("C" average) in work taken at Riverside Community College District. In addition, over-all grade point average, including units from both RCCD and work attempted at all accredited colleges attended, must be not less than 2.0.

**Basic Skills Competency Requirements:**
   
   A. **Mathematics Competency:** Students must demonstrate minimum proficiency in math by:
      (1) obtaining a satisfactory first-time score on an appropriate examination **OR**
      (2) completion of a Math course with a 'C' grade or higher selected from MAT 1-36 or equivalent.

   B. **Reading Competency:** Students must demonstrate proficiency in reading by:
      (1) a satisfactory score on RCCD's placement test equivalent to placement in college level reading **OR**
      (2) completion of Reading 83 with a "C" or higher **OR**
      (3) a minimum grade of "C" in each general education course **OR**
      (4) satisfactory reading score on a standardized reading test approved by the English department. Students who do not meet Riverside Community College’s reading competency requirement should enroll in a reading class within their first 18 units undertaken at the college.
      (5) Students who have completed an Associate’s or higher degree at an accredited institution are exempt from the reading competency requirement. Waivers may also be granted on a case-by-case basis.

   C. **English Competency:** Students must demonstrate basic competency in writing by successfully completing the general education requirements of English 1A or 1AH with a "C" grade or better.

**Petition for Graduation:**
Students may apply for degrees and certificates during the following application periods:
- Summer—First day of summer term through July 15 to apply for summer, fall, winter, spring
- Fall—First day of fall term through Oct. 15 to apply for fall, winter, spring
- Winter—First day of winter term through Feb. 1 to apply for winter, spring
- Spring—First day of spring term through April 1 to apply for spring

Students who apply during these periods may participate in the Commencement ceremony as long as they are missing no more than 9 units to graduate.

**Catalog Rights:**
Graduation requirements apply to students who are enrolled for any term (summer, fall, winter, spring) indicated by current catalog. Students who enrolled prior to this current year and who have maintained continuous enrollment have the option of meeting the current requirements or those in effect at the time their continuous enrollment began. Continuous enrollment is defined as attendance of one term during each academic year.
Scholastic Honors At Commencement:
Honors at commencement will be awarded to students with a cumulative GPA of 3.30 or higher. Their names are listed in the commencement program as receiving the Associate Degree with Distinction (3.30 GPA) or with Great Distinction (3.70 GPA). A gold tassel will be worn by students graduating with honors. Coursework taken during the final spring semester will not be used to calculate honors at commencement. Grade point averages are not rounded up. The cumulative GPA includes coursework taken at Riverside Community College District and at all other accredited institutions.

Dean's List:
Each semester, those students who have demonstrated outstanding scholastic achievement by completing at least 12 units of credit-graded work in one semester or 12 units of credit-graded work earned in no more than one academic year (fall, winter and spring, with summer being excluded) with a grade point average of 3.0 or better (completed units will be considered only once for a particular Dean's List) will be recognized by a letter from the Dean of Instruction.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS
General education is designed to introduce students to a breadth of study through which people comprehend the modern world. It reflects the conviction of Riverside Community College District that those who receive their degrees must possess in common certain basic principles, concepts and methodologies both unique to and shared by the various disciplines. Students must complete a minimum of 22 semester units as outlined in the following categories. Special workshop classes (numbered in the 100 series) cannot be used to fulfill general education requirements. The following basic skills courses are non-degree applicable: English 60AB, 60A1, 60A2, 60A3, 60A4, 90B; English as a Second Language 51, 52, 53, 71, 72, 90 A-K, 91, 92, 95; Mathematics 52, 63, 64, 65, 90A-F, 98; and Reading 81, 82, 83, 86, 87, 95.

The following courses are also non-degree applicable: Computer Applications and Office Technology 99ABCDE; English 85; English As A Second Language 65; Nursing (Continuing Education) 81, 83.
GENERAL EDUCATION

A. Natural Sciences (3 units)
   - Anatomy & Physiology 2A,2B,10
   - Anthropology 1
   - Astronomy 1A,1B
   - Biology 1,2A,2B,3,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,14,15,17,30,31A,31B,34,36
   - Chemistry 1A or 1AH,1B or 1BH,2A,2B,3,10,12A,12B,17
   - Geography 1,1/1L,1H,1H/1L,5
   - Geology 1,1/1L,1B,2,3,30A,30B,31,32
   - Microbiology 1
   - Oceanography 1,1/1L
   - Physical Science 1,5,17
   - Physics 2A,2B,4A,4B,4C,4D,10,11
   - Psychology 2
   (Waivers granted for COS 60C and ELE 21 or 22)

B. Social and Behavioral Sciences (6 units)
   1. American Institutions (3 units)
      - History 6 or 6H,7 or 7H,8,9,15,26,28,29,30,31,34,53 or
      - Political Science 1 or 1H,5 and
   2. Social and Behavioral Sciences (3 units)
      - Anthropology 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,10,21
      - Economics 4,5,6,7 or 7H,8
      - Geography 2,3,4,6
      - History 1,2,4,5,11,12,14,19,21,22,23,25,35,40,53
      - Human Services 4,5,6,7,8,13,14,16,18,19
      - Military Science 1,2
      - Political Science 2 or 2H,3,4 or 4H,6,7ABCD,8,10ABCD,
      - 11,12,13,14
      - Psychology 1,8,9,33,35
      - Sociology 1,2,3,10,12,15,17,20,22,23,45,50

C. Humanities (3 units)
   - American Sign Language 1
   - Architecture/Engineering 36
   - Art (any course)
   - Communication Studies 7
   - Dance 3,4,5,6,7,8,9
   - English 1B or 1BH,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,20,
     23,25,26,30,35,38,39,40,41,44,45,47,48,49
   - Film, Television and Video (any course)
   - Foreign Language (any course)
   - History 1,2,4,5
   - Humanities 4 or 4H,5 or 5H,8,9,10 or 10H,11,16,18,
     20ABC, 23, 35
   - Music (any course)
   - Philosophy 10 or 10H,12,13,14,15,16,19,20,21,22,33,35
   - Photography 8
   - Theater Arts (any course)

D. Language and Rationality (10 units)
   1. English Composition (4 units)
      - English 1A or 1AH ("C" grade or better)
   2. Communication & Analytical Thinking (6-8 units)
      Take one course from two of the following:
      - Communication Studies 1 or 1H, 9 or 9H
      - Computer Information Systems 1A-30
      - English 1B or 1BH
      - Mathematics 1-36
      - Philosophy 11, Philosophy/Math 32

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

A. Health Education (3 units)
   - Health Science 1 (or completion of the
     DEH, EMS, PA, VN, or RN program)

B. Self-Development (2 activity courses or 3 unit course)
   1. KIN (2 activities courses):
      - KIN 6,29, 42, 47: Dance 3,5; any KIN activity class:
        MUS 45,46,47,48,49,60,61
        OR
   2. Fitness and Wellness (3 units)
      - KIN 4,30,35,36
   NOTE: Students are exempt from the Self
   Development requirement when they complete the
   Cosmetology, Registered or Vocational Nursing
   programs, Basic Peace Officer Training Academy,
   Firefighting Academy, EMS or Physician Assistant
   program

C. Unit Requirement
   A minimum of 60 units of college work,
   of which 18 semester units are in one of the eight
   areas of emphasis listed below.
Associate of Arts:

1. ADMIN. & INFORMATION SYSTEMS (AA494)
   The student must successfully complete 18 units of study with a Grade of 'C' or better or a 'P' if taken on a 'pass-no pass' basis.

   INCLUDED DISCIPLINES and COURSES:
   Required Courses (9 units, selected from the following):
   Accounting (ACC) 1A; Business (BUS) 10, 18A; Computer Information Systems (CIS) 1A; Economics (ECO) 7,7H, 8H; Political Science (POL) 8

   Elective Courses (9 additional units, selected from:
   Accounting (ACC) 1A1B, 38; Business (BUS) 10, 18A, 18B, 20, 22; Communication Studies (COM) 1H, 6, 9, 9H, 12, 13; Computer Information Systems (CIS) 1A, 1B, 2, 3, 5; Computer Applications and Office Technology (CAT) 3, 31; Economics (ECO) 6, 7, 7H, 8; Library (LIB) 1; Management (MAG) 44; Marketing (MKT) 20; Political Science (POL) 6, 8
   A course may only be counted once. **Credit limitation: UC will accept a maximum of one course for transfer.

2. AMERICAN STUDIES (AA492)
   The student must complete 18 units of study across a maximum of three disciplines including at least one two-semester sequence with a grade of "C" or better or a "P" if the course is taken on a "pass-no pass" basis.

   Take One of These Two-Semester Sequences (6 units):
   ENG 14 and 15
   HIS 6/6H and 7/7H, 11 and 12, 14 and 15, 28 and 29, 30 and 31

   Elective courses: (12 additional units, selected from the following):
   AML 22; ENG 14, 15, 18, 20, 25, 47; FTV 12; HIS 6/6H, 7/7H, 11, 12, 14, 15, 28, 29, 30, 31, 34;
   HUM 9, 11, 16; MIL 1, 2; MUS 25, 26, 89; PHI 19; POL 1/1H, 5, 12, 13; SOC 2, 3, 15, 22

   A course may be counted only once in the major area. Courses may be double counted for GE/IGETC/CSUGE.

3. COMM., MEDIA & LANGUAGES (AA495)
   The student must successfully complete 18 units of study across 3 disciplines; 9 units must be taken in a single discipline with a grade of 'C' or better or a 'P' if taken on a 'pass-no pass' basis.

   INCLUDED DISCIPLINES AND COURSES:
   Anthropology (ANT) 8; Applied Digital Media (ADM) 1; Communication Studies (COM) 1H, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 9H, 11, 12, 13, 19; English (ENG) 1A, 1AH, 1B, 1BH, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 23, 25, 26, 30, 35, 38, 39, 40, 41, 44, 45, 48, 49; Film, Television and Video (FTV) 12, 44, 45, 65; Journalism (JOU) 1, 2, 7, 12, 20, 20A, 20B, 20C, 20D, 52; Library (LIB) 1; Photography (PHO) 12;
   World Languages: Arabic (ARA) 1, 2, 3, 8, 11; American Sign Language (AML) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 20, 21, 22, 23; Chinese (CHI) 1, 2, 11; French (FRE) 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 11; German (GER) 1, 2, 3, 11; Greek (GRK) 1, 2; Italian (ITA) 1, 2, 3, 11; Japanese (JPN) 1, 2, 3, 4, 11; Korean (KOR) 1, 2, 11; Latin (LAT) 1, 2; Portuguese (POR) 1, 2; Russian (RUS) 1, 2, 3, 11; Spanish 1, 1A, 1B, 1H, 2, 2H, 3, 3N, 4, 8, 11, 12, 13, "51, "52,"53
4. **FINE & APPLIED ARTS (AA496)**

The student must successfully complete 18 units of study across a maximum of 3 disciplines with 9 units from a single discipline and with a grade of 'C' or better or a 'P' if taken on a 'pass-no pass' basis.

**INCLUDED DISCIPLINES AND COURSES:**
- Applied Digital Media (ADM): 1,*30,*64,*65,*66,*67,*70,*71,*72,*74,*75,*76,*77A,*77B,80,*88,*89,200; Art (ART): 1,2,5,6,6H,7,8,9,10,12,15,16,17,18,20,21,22,23,24,25,26,27,28,30,34,35,36,38,39,40,41,42,43,44,45,46,47,48,49,200; Communication Studies (COM) 1H,2,3,7,11,19; Dance (DAN): 3,4,5,6,7,8,9,D9,D10,D11,D12,D13,D14,D15,D16, D17,D18,D19,D20,D21,D22,D23,D24,D25,D30,D32,D37,D38,D39,D43,D44,D45,D46,D47,D48,D49,D51,D60-67; English (ENG): 1,2,4,5,6,6H,7,8,9,10,12; Film, Television & Video (FTV): 38,41,42,44,45,46,47,48,49,200; Theatre (THE): 2,4,5,6,25,26,29,30,32,33,34,35,36,37,38,39,41,44,46,48,49,50,51,52,54

5. **HUMANITIES, PHILOSOPHY, & ARTS (AA497)**

The student must successfully complete 18 units of study across 3 disciplines; 9 units must be taken in a single discipline. Up to 3 units may be taken in a studio course.

The 18 units must be completed with a grade of 'C' or better or a 'P' if taken on a 'pass-no pass' basis.

**INCLUDED DISCIPLINES AND COURSES:**
- Anthropology (ANT): 7,8; Architecture (ARE): 36; Art (ART): 1,2,5,6,6H,7,8,9,10,12; Communication Studies (COM): 1,1H,2,3,5,7,9,9H,11,12,13,19; Dance (DAN): 3,6; English (ENG): 1B,1BH,6,7,8,9,10,14,15,16,18,23,25,26,30,35,40,41,44,45,48; Film, Television & Video (FTV): 12,65; History (HIS): 1,2,4,5,6H,7,7H,8,9,14,15,21,22,25,26,28,29,30,31,34,35; Humanities (HUM): 4,4H,5,5H,8,9,10,10H,11,16,18,23,35; Library (LIB): 1; Music (MUS): 19,20,21,22,25,26,89; Philosophy (PHI): 10,10H,12,13,14,15,19,20,21,22,32,33,35; Political Science (POL): 11; Theatre (THE): 3,29; World Language, including: Arabic (ARA): 1,2,3,8; American Sign Language (ASL): 1,2,3,4,5,10,11,12,13,20,21,22; Chinese (CHI): 1,2,11; French (FRE): 1,2,4,8,11; German (GER): 1,2,3,11; Greek (GRK): 1,2,3,11; Japanese (JPN): 1,2,3,4,11; Korean (KOR): 1,2,11; Latin (LAT): 1,2; Portuguese (POR): 1,2; Russian (RUS): 1,2,3,11; Spanish (SPA): 1,1A,1B,1H,2,2H,3,4,8,11,12,13,*51,*52,*53. Applicable studio courses include (Note that some classes are less than three units): Art (ART): 15,16,17,18,20,21,22,23,24,25,26,27,28,30,34,35,36,38,39,40,41,42,43,44,45,46,47,48,49,200; Dance (DAN): 7,8,9,D9,D10-D25,D30,D32,D37,D38,D39,D43,D44,D45,D46,D47,D48,D49,D51,D60-67; English (ENG) 11,12,17,38; Music (MUS): 39,40,41,42; Theatre (THE) 2,4,5,6,25,26,30,32,33,34,35,36,37,38,41,50,51,52,54

6. **KINESIOLOGY (AA498)**

The student must successfully complete 18 units of study with a grade of 'C' or better or a 'P' if taken on a 'pass-no pass' basis.

**INCLUDED DISCIPLINES AND COURSES:**
- Required Courses (take 3 units in each of the two disciplines): Health Science (HES): 1; Kinesiology/academic courses (KIN): 4,6,8,10,12,16,17,18,24,25,26,27,28,29,30,33,34,35,36,38,47

**Elective Courses (12 additional units, selected from the following):**

Kinesiology/varsity courses (PHP): 01,02,V04,V05,V06,V07,V08,V09,V10,V11,V12,V14,V18,V19,V20,V21,V22,V23,V24,V25. A course may only be counted once except for KIN activity or varsity courses.
7. SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL STUDIES (AA499)

The student must successfully complete 18 units of study across a minimum of 3 disciplines listed below with a grade of 'C' or better or a 'P' if taken on a 'pass-no pass' basis.

INCLUDED DISCIPLINES AND COURSES:
Administration of Justice/Justice Studies (ADJ): 1,2,3,4,5,8,9,13,14,15,30; Administration of Justice/Law Enforcement (ADJ): 6,16,18,20,21,22,23,25; Anthropology (ANT): 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,10,21; Communication Studies (COM): 1,1H,2,3,5,6,9,9H,12,13; Early Childhood Studies (EAR): 19,20,28,33,40,42,43,47; Economics (ECO) 4,5,6,7,7H,8; Geography (GEG): 2,3,4,6; Human Services (HMS) 4,5,6,7,8,13,14,16,18,19; Library Science (LIB): 1; Political Science (POL): 1,1H,2,2H,3,4,4H,5,6,7ABCD,8,10ABCD,11,12,13,14; Psychology (PSY): 1,9,33,35; Sociology (SOC): 1,2,3,10,12,15,20,22,45

Associate of Science:

8. CAREER AND TECHNICAL PROGRAMS

The Associate in Science degree in career and technical programs will be awarded upon completion of the requirements for the certificate or program of 18 units or more plus completion of the graduation requirements as described in the catalog, as well as electives, totaling 60 units of college work as required for the associate degree. Specific requirements for each program are listed in pages 63-109 of the catalog.

Students must complete courses with grades of 'C' or better or a 'P' if the course is taken on a "pass-no pass" basis.

9. MATH AND SCIENCE (AS493)

The student must successfully complete 18 units of study with a grade of 'C' or better or a 'P' if taken on a 'pass-no pass' basis.

**Required Courses (take one course in each of the 3 categories, including one course with a lab):**

- Mathematics (MAT): 1A,4,5,10,11,12,12H,25
- Physical Sciences: Astronomy (AST) 1A, Chemistry (CHE) 1A,1AH,2A,10; Geography (GEG) 1,1H,1L; Geology (GEO) 1,1L,3
- Oceanography (OCE) 1, Physical Science (PHS) 1, Physics (PHY) 2A,4A
- Life Sciences: Anatomy & Physiology (AMY) 2A, Biology (BIO) 1,2A,5,7,8,9,11,34,36, Microbiology (MIC) 1

**Elective Courses (The remaining units may be taken from any of the following courses):**

- Anatomy and Physiology (AMY): 2A,2B,10; Anthropology (ANT) 1; Astronomy (AST): 1A,1B
- Biology(BIO)1,2A,2B,3,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,17,30,34,36; Chemistry (CHE): 1A,1AH,1B,1BH,2A,2B,3,10,12A,12B,17;
- Computer Information Systems (CIS): 5,17A,17B,17C,18A,18B,18C; Electronics (ELE): 21,22,23,24,25; Engineering (ENE): 1A,1B,10,21,22,23,26,27,28,30,31,35; Geography (GEG): 1,1L,1H,5; Geology (GEO): 1,1L,1B,3; Geographic Information Systems (GIS): 1; Health Science (HES): 1; Mathematics (MAT): 1A,1B,1C,2,3,4,5,10,11,12,12H,25,32,36; Microbiology (MIC): 1; Oceanography (OCE): 1,1L; Physical Science (PHS): 1,5,17; Physics (PHY): 2A,2B,4A,4B,4C,4D,10,11; Psychology (PSY): 2

A course may only be counted once

NOTE: All courses in regular font are transferable to CSU with the courses in bold being transferable to both CSU and UC. Courses designated with a (*) are not transferable.