ASSOCIATE DEGREE (AA, AS)

Orange Coast College awards the Associate Degree to students who have met all the requirements for graduation. OCC offers the Associate in Arts and the Associate in Science Degrees. Check with your counselor to determine which degree you should complete.

In accordance with the law and with rules and regulations of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges and the Board of Trustees of the Coast Community College District, the requirements for the degree of Associate in Arts or Associate in Science include the following:

1. Unit Requirement

60 Degree-applicable UNITS, with at least a 2.0-grade point average. At least 12 of the units must be earned at OCC, with a minimum of one course taken for a letter grade. At least 3 units in an advanced course from the program must be completed at OCC. A student must be enrolled at the time of application for graduation. Units earned at an accredited college or university on a credit/no credit basis will be counted toward the degree requirements of the college, to a maximum of 15 units.

2. Major Requirement

Complete the AA or AS major requirements as detailed in the Degree and Certificate section of this catalog.

3. Mathematics Requirement

Demonstrate competence in mathematics by either obtaining a satisfactory grade (grade of "C" or better or "pass") in a mathematics course at or above the level of Intermediate Algebra as demonstrated by prior coursework, or by demonstrating competency that is comparable through the completion of a college-level math course: Psychology A160 or Math A100 or higher, with the exception of Math A220.

4. General Education Requirement

Students may choose to complete Option 1 (OCC AA/AS GE), Option 2 (CSU GE), or Option 3 (IGETC) to satisfy the general education requirement. See the General Education Patterns section of this catalog for more information.

 Global and Multicultural Requirement (Required for AA degree only)
Some of the courses listed in this requirement can also be used to meet General Education Requirements. Courses that are repeatable for credit can only be used once in this area.

Select one or more courses from the following totaling 3 units (Courses subject to change. To confirm course eligibility, schedule an appointment with a counselor):

Course	Title	Units
ANTH A100	Cultural Anthropology ¹	3
ANTH A100H	Cultural Anthropology Honors 1	3
ANTH A102	Native American ¹	3
ANTH A190	Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology 1	3
CMST A155	Intercultural Communications ¹	3
CDE A126	Teaching in a Diverse Society	3
COUN A107	Chicana/o & Latina/o Experience and Success in Higher Education ¹	3
COUN A107H	Chicana/o & Latina/o Experience and Success in Higher Education Honors ¹	3
DANC A130	Mid-Eastern Dance 1 ¹	0.5-2

Course	Title	Units
DANC A135	Flamenco Dance 1 ¹	0.5-2
DANC A138	African Dance and Drumming I	0.5-2
ENGL A152	Race, Culture, and Identity in Literature ¹	3
ENGL A173	Women Writers ¹	3
ETHS A100	Contemporary Ethnic America ¹	3
ETHS A110	Introduction to LatinX Studies ¹	3
ETHS A115	Introduction to Asian American and Pacific Islander Studies ¹	3
ETHS A150	Ethnic Groups in the U.S.: Their Histories ¹	3
ETHS A190	The Ethnic Family ¹	3
FN A185	Cultural Foods	2
GEOG A185	Cultural Geography ¹	3
HIST A101	Afro-American History ¹	3
HIST A150	Ethnic Groups of the United States: Their Histories ¹	3
HIST A151	History of the Middle East to 1500 ¹	3
HIST A152	History of the Middle East Since 1500 ¹	3
HIST A161	World History 1 1	3
HIST A161H	World History 1 Honors ¹	3
HIST A162	World History 2 ¹	3
HIST A162H	World History 2 Honors ¹	3
PHIL A120	Ethics ¹	3
RLST A110	World Religion ¹	3
RLST A150	Eastern Thought ¹	3
SOC A100	Introduction to Sociology ¹	3
SJS A101	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity	3
SJS A102	Social Justice and Activism	3
SOC A100H	Introduction to Sociology Honors 1	3
SOC A150	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity ¹	3

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Denotes courses that fulfill CSU GE Breadth and/or IGETC requirements. See the General Education Patterns section of this catalog for more information.