

INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

AP 4100 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

References:

Title 5 Sections 55060 et seq.

The District offers a variety of degrees and certificates. To earn a degree or certificate, students must meet the requirements listed below. The District must also meet the requirements listed below.

The requirements for students include:

- Demonstrated competence in reading, in written expression, and in mathematics for the Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree
- Satisfactory completion at least 60 semester units of college work. "College work" refers to courses acceptable toward the associate degree. Such courses 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 Title 5 section
- Completion of at least 18 semester units in general education and at least 18 semester units in a major listed in the State Chancellor's Office's Taxonomy of Programs
- Completion of at least 12 semester units of study in residence; exceptions to the residence requirement can be made by the Governing Board when an injustice or undue hardship would result
- Completion of a minimum of general education course work in the natural sciences, the social and behavioral sciences, humanities, and language and rationality
- Successful completion of a course of study or curriculum that consists of 18 or more semester units of degree-applicable credit coursework for a certificate of achievement. The certificate of achievement shall be designed to demonstrate that the student has completed coursework and developed capabilities relating to career or general education

The requirements for the District include:

- Availability of multi-cultural studies
- Inclusion of Board Policies and Administrative Procedures regarding general education and degree requirements published in the District catalog and filed with the State Chancellor's Office
- Availability of shorter credit programs that lead to a certificate may be established by the District

- 34 • Assurance that content and assessment standards for certificate programs are
35 consistent with the mission of the Palomar Community College District, meet a
36 demonstrated need, are feasible, and adhere to guidelines on academic achievement.
37 Certificates for which the State Chancellor's Office approval is not sought may be given
38 any name or designation deemed appropriate except for certificate of achievement,
39 certificate of completion, or certificate of competency.

40 Office of Primary Responsibility: Instructional Services