

## SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

#### **Board of Trustees Policy**

#### **Chapter 4 – Instructional Services**

#### BP 5100 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

The San Diego Community College District's Colleges grant the degrees of Associate in Arts and Associate in Science to those students who have completed the requirements for graduation as prescribed by Title 5 regulations and the faculty. Associate in Arts and Associate in Science degrees shall be approved by the colleges' curriculum committees, Curriculum and Instruction Council, the Board of Trustees, and the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office.

Students may be awarded the Certificate of Achievement consisting of 12 or more semester units of degree-applicable coursework approved by the colleges' curriculum committees, the Curriculum and Instruction Council, Board of Trustees, and California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office. Such certificates shall be designed as a pattern of learning experiences considered to develop certain capabilities that may oriented to career or general education.

Students may be awarded the Certificate of Performance, consisting of less than 18 units, without California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office approval after approval by the colleges' curriculum committees, the Curriculum and Instruction Council, and the Board of Trustees. Certificates of Performance are department awards which do not imply that graduation requirements have been met and may not be listed on a student's transcript.

If a certificate is 12–17.5 units the college shall determine whether it is a Certificate of Achievement or a Certificate of Performance.

Students may be awarded the noncredit Certificate of Completion and/or the noncredit Certificate of Competency for the completion of a pattern of noncredit courses approved by the Continuing Education curriculum committee, the Curriculum and Instruction Council, Board of Trustees, and California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office.

The Chancellor shall establish procedures to determine degree and certificate requirements that include appropriate involvement of the local curriculum committees. The procedures shall assure that graduation and program requirements are published in the San Diego Community College District's Colleges and/or Continuing Education catalogs and included in other resources that are convenient for students.

See Administrative Procedures: To Be Determined

References:

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

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