

Degrees and Certificates

The College offers the following degrees, diplomas or certificates for students who successfully complete approved programs at the College.

- The associate of arts and sciences degree (AA&S) is awarded to students majoring in the liberal arts and specialized curricula such as business administration, pre-teacher education, and other professional programs who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university after completing their LFCC program.
- The associate of applied science degree (AAS) is awarded to students majoring in one of the occupational-technical curricula who plan to seek full-time employment upon graduation from the College.
- The certificate is awarded to students who complete one of the approved, non-degree curricula usually less than two years in length.

Associate Degree Requirements

To be eligible for graduation with an associate degree from the College, a student must:

1. fulfill all course and credit-hour requirements of the degree curriculum with at least 25 percent of the credit semester hours acquired at the College
2. be certified by the appropriate College official for graduation
3. earn a GPA of at least 2.0 in all applicable studies attempted toward graduation in his or her curriculum
4. file an application for graduation in the Admissions and Records Office
5. resolve all financial obligations to the College and return all library and College materials
6. take the exiting student core competency test and graduate survey the semester of graduation.

Certificate Requirements

To be eligible for graduation with a certificate from the College, a student must:

1. fulfill all course and credit-hour requirements of the certificate curriculum as specified in the College catalog with a minimum of 25 percent of the credits acquired at the College
2. be certified for graduation by the appropriate College official
3. earn a GPA of at least 2.0 in all applicable courses attempted toward graduation in his or her curriculum
4. file an application for graduation in the Admissions and Records Office
5. resolve all financial obligations to the College and return all library and other College materials.

Special Academic Policies

Auditing a Course

Students desiring to attend a course without taking examinations or receiving credit for the course do so by registering to audit that course during the add/drop period. Students pay the regular tuition. Permission of the faculty member and appropriate dean is required to audit a course.

Audited courses carry no credit and do not count as a part of the student's course load. Students desiring to change status in a course from audit to credit must do so by the last date to be eligible for a refund for the course. Changes from credit to audit must be made by the official last day for students to withdraw from a course without penalty.

Waiver of Requirements

Several programs allow the waiving of a course requirement under specific conditions. The credit requirement must be satisfied with other credits. Any student planning to take advantage of an allowable course waiver must meet the catalog-stated conditions. Students are advised to consult with a faculty advisor or counselor in selecting suitable alternative credits.

Transfer between Curricula

As students proceed in their studies, they may decide to change their program or curriculum. Students are encouraged to make an appointment with a counselor or faculty advisor for assistance.