## Degrees

The College awards associate in arts, associate in science, and associate in applied science degrees. The associate in arts (AA) and associate in science (AS) degree programs are designed for students planning to transfer to a senior institution to pursue a course of study in liberal arts, the sciences, or a specialized professional field. These degree programs require completion of a minimum of 60 semester credit hours, but no more than 64 semester credit hours, in an approved program of study and are awarded to students completing a planned *University-Parallel Program and the General Education Program* outlined in this catalog.

The associate in applied science (AAS) degree is designed for students planning to seek employment based on competencies and skills attained through AAS degree programs of study. Although not designed to meet the needs of students who will transfer to senior institutions, some portions of AAS degree programs may do so. This degree is composed of 60-76 semester credit hours.

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