Programs of Study

Cosumnes River College offers associate degrees, certificates, and transfer opportunities, as well as courses in general education.

Degree Programs

Associate in Arts Degree (AA)

The Associate degree may be obtained by the completion of all required courses for a major (18 units or more) with grades of “C” or better in each course, fulfillment of general education requirements, satisfaction of competencies, and completion of sufficient electives to meet a minimum total of 60 units with a grade point average of 2.0 (“C” average). At least 12 units toward the degree must be completed at Cosumnes River College.

Associate in Science Degree (AS)

The Associate degree may be obtained by the completion of all required courses for a major (18 units or more) with grades of “C” or better in each course, fulfillment of general education requirements, satisfaction of competencies, and completion of sufficient electives to meet a minimum total of 60 units with a grade point average of 2.0 (“C” average). At least 12 units toward the degree must be completed at Cosumnes River College. An Associate in Science Degree includes all science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines and career education (CE) fields.

Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) and Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T)

The following are the Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) student completion requirements (as stated in SB 1440 law):

1. Completion of a minimum of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:
   a. The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University (CSU) General Education Breadth Requirements.
   b. A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.

2. Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0. ADTs also require that students must earn a “C” or better in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis.

At least 12 units toward the degree must be completed at Cosumnes River College.

Visit A Degree With A Guarantee: Associate Degree for Transfer (https://adegreewithaguarantee.com) to learn more.

Certificate Programs

Cosumnes River College offers two types of certificates:

Certificate of Achievement

The Certificate of Achievement certifies that a student has completed all required courses and is prepared to enter the career designated on their certificate. Certificate of Achievement programs are developed to provide vocational training for students who are not necessarily seeking a college degree. Certificates of Achievement require a grade of “C” or better in each course with a minimum of 12 degree-applicable units completed at Cosumnes River College.

Certificate of Proficiency

Certificates of Proficiency are intended to certify that students are prepared to meet specific occupational needs, upgrade skills, or advance in an existing career. Certificates of Proficiency require fewer than 16 units with a grade of “C” or better in each course. At least 12 units toward the degree must be completed at Cosumnes River College. If the certificate requires fewer than 12 units, then students must take the number of units required by the certificate at Cosumnes River College. As long as the units a student takes are degree- or transfer-applicable, they do not necessarily have to be the specific units required for the certificate.

Certificates of Proficiency are not noted on transcripts.