

# ASSOCIATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

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Students planning to graduate from MPC must file a petition for an associate degree and/or an application for certificate by the deadlines listed in the Graduation and Commencement section of the Catalog.

Students attending Monterey Peninsula College are eligible to receive multiple degrees. More specifically, a student may pursue more than one degree simultaneously. The requirements for the majors, along with the general education requirements, must equal a minimum of sixty associate degree-applicable units.

## Associate Degree

The California State Board of Education has authorized the Monterey Peninsula College District Governing Board of Trustees to confer the Associate in Arts and Associate in Science degrees. The Associate in Arts degree is awarded in the liberal arts area; the Associate in Science degree is awarded in the science and career education fields.

The associate degree is awarded upon satisfying the following:

1. Competency requirements
  - a. Reading
  - b. Writing
  - c. Mathematics
  - d. Information competency
2. General Education requirements
3. Major requirements: Each course in the major must be complete with a grade of "C" or better.
4. A minimum of sixty (60) degree-applicable units (courses numbered 1-299 with MPC GE, numbered 1-99 with CSU-GE, or designated as UC transferable with IGETC) with a 2.0 ("C") or higher grade point average. Pre-collegiate courses (300-399) do not apply toward the degree. Grades earned in non-degree credit courses are not included in the calculation of the degree-applicable grade point average.
5. A maximum of 20 units of "P" ("Pass") may be applied towards the associate degree.
6. Completion of a minimum of twelve (12) units at Monterey Peninsula College, with at least six units in the major area.

## Second Associate Degree

The general education and major requirements for the second degree are those listed in the College catalog for the academic year in which the student begins work on the second degree. The student must complete all the units required for the second degree. All general education courses required for the specific degree must be completed.