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**Board Policy**  
Chapter 4 – Academic Affairs

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**BP 4100 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES**

The Santa Monica Community College District shall follow graduation requirements within the guidelines established by Title 5.

The District grants degrees to those students who have completed the subject requirements for graduation and who have maintained a 2.0 average in subjects attempted. Students must also complete the education, enrollment and competency requirements set forth in Title 5.

Students may be awarded a Certificate of Achievement upon successful completion of a minimum of 16 or more semester units or 24 or more quarter units of degree-applicable coursework designed as a pattern of learning experiences designed to develop certain capabilities that may be oriented to career or general education.

The Superintendent/President shall establish administrative regulations to determine degree and certificate requirements that include appropriate involvement of the local curriculum committee. The regulations shall assure that graduation requirements are published in the college catalog and included in other resources that are convenient for students.

**References:**

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

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