



## **Board Policy**

Chapter 4 – Academic Affairs

## 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 general education portion of the Associates in Arts degree provides a diverse course of study that helps prepare students for participating in society as independent, educated adults. It directs them to compose a program of courses to develop a variety of important skills, a knowledge of the diverse elements of their external and internal realities, and some understanding of their own and other cultural heritage.

Students may graduate from Santa Monica College with an Associate in Arts degree when they have completed 60 units of a prescribed program of studies and maintained a minimum grade point average of 2.0. Each course of study must be composed of two areas: (1) state and local general education requirements, and (2) the major field, which may include electives.

## References:

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

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