

2.7.2 The institution offers degree programs that embody a coherent course of study that is compatible with its stated mission and is based upon fields of study appropriate to higher education.
(Program Content)

Compliance Partial Compliance Non-Compliance

Narrative:

Chattahoochee Valley Community College (CVCC) offers programs that embody a coherent course of study relevant and reflective of the institution’s stated [mission](#) to provide “accessible and affordable education of excellent quality preparing students for transfer to senior colleges and universities, employment, or career advancement through associate degrees and certificate programs.” A student enrolled at CVCC in an [Associate in Science](#) degree program in General Studies or an [Associate in Arts](#) degree program in Liberal Arts must complete 41 semester hours of core curriculum course work distributed among four core discipline areas (Areas I-IV). The student will complete Area V requirements by selecting 19 to 23 semester hours, appropriate to his/her future major, from the “[General course listing](#)”. The student must complete 60 to 64 semester hours of appropriate course work to satisfy the requirements for graduation and receive the Associate in Science degree in General Studies or the Associate of Arts degree in Liberal Arts. Students may also use the Statewide Transfer and Articulation Reporting System ([STARS](#)) to select courses for the Area V component of each degree plan. Information about STARS can also be found in the [College Catalog and Student Handbook](#).

The [Associate in Applied Science](#) degree is awarded to students who complete the requirements of a specific career or professional program outlined in the [catalog](#). These programs may contain no fewer than 60 and no more than 76 semester hours. Of the total hours in a program, 35 to 40 percent must be courses chosen to ensure competency in reading, writing, oral communication, computer applications, and fundamental mathematics to satisfy CVCC core requirements. The remaining hours must be taken in the specific area of concentration and may include related courses and electives. This area of concentration must include 15 semester hours of coursework, with appropriate prerequisites, above the level of elementary courses. In addition, coursework in the area of concentration must follow an orderly, identifiable sequence.

The degree requirements for the [A.A./A.S. degree](#) and the [A.A.S degree](#) are consistent with the requirements as outlined by the State Board Policy [712.01](#). The following tables list a summary of the degree requirements. Table 2.7.2-A shows the breakdown by content areas specific for each degree. Table 2.7.2-B lists Associate of Applied Science programs.

Table 2.7.2-A: Credit Hours Required for Degree Program by Content Area

Degree	Area I Written Composition	Area II Humanities and Fine Arts	Area III Natural Science and Mathematics	Area IV History, Social, and Behavior Sciences	Area V* Preprofessional, pre-major, and elective courses <small>*WKO and ORI credit hours are included in this area.</small>
A.A.	6	12	11	12	19-23
A.S.	6	12	11	12	19-23
A.A.S.	3-6	3-6	9-11	3-6	42-47

Table 2.7.2-B: Associate of Applied Science Degrees

Program Name	Area I Written Composition	Area II Humanities and Fine Arts	Area III Natural Science and Mathematics	Area IV History, Social, and Behavior Sciences	Area V* Preprofessional, pre-major, and elective courses (including additional degree requirements) <small>*WKO and ORI credit hours are included in this area.</small>
Applied Technology	3	6	10	3	46 - 55
Business	6	6	9	3	45 - 47
Office Administration	6	6	9	3	45 - 50
Computer Information Systems	6	6	9	3	42 - 45
Criminal Justice	6	6	10	6	41 - 43
Fire Science	6	6	10	6	41 - 43
Homeland Security	6	6	10	6	41 - 43
Medical Assisting	3	6 - 7	10	3	49 - 52
Nursing	6	3	15	6	42
Visual Comm.	3	6	9	3	47 - 49

SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION

[*College Catalog and Student Handbook, Mission Statement – Page 11*](#)

[*College Catalog and Student Handbook, AA-AS – Pages 78-79*](#)

[*College Catalog and Student Handbook, General Course Listing – Pages 80-81*](#)

[*STARS: Statewide Transfer and Articulation Reporting System*](#)

[*College Catalog and Student Handbook, STARS – Page 74*](#)

[*College Catalog and Student Handbook, Associate in Applied Science Degree – Pages 81-83*](#)

[*College Catalog and Student Handbook, AAS Degree options – Pages 84-114*](#)

[*State Board Policy 712.01: Degrees and Awards*](#)