SBCC Programs of Study

Programs of Study Overview

Credit Programs

Santa Barbara City College offers the following credit programs of study:

- **Associate Degree for Transfer - Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) Degree and Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T) Degree**
  - An Associate Degree for Transfer guarantees admission into the CSU system in a similar major but not necessarily to a particular campus. Participating Historically Black Colleges and Universities, fully online and out-of-state universities and independent, non-profit universities in California, guarantee admission into the exact campus to which students apply and to the major students want to pursue. For more information, visit: [https://icangotocollege.com/?sitekey=adegree](https://icangotocollege.com/?sitekey=adegree).

- **Associate Degree - Associate in Arts (AA) Degree and Associate in Science (AS) Degree**
  - An Associate Degree can stand alone, providing students the skills to enter the workforce or to enter a specialized career field. It can also be the first step towards earning a bachelor degree at a four-year university.

- **Certificate of Achievement (C)**
  - A Certificate of Achievement provides students the knowledge and training needed to enter a specialized career or enhance their skills for advancement in their job. In most cases, a Certificate of Achievement (18+ units), combined with the completion of General Education coursework may also be applied to an Associate Degree to further increase employability. Some Certificates of Achievement are designed to develop job skills in a special area of occupational education in a short period of time.

- **Skills Competency Award (SCA)**
  - A Skills Competency Award provides students with very specific skills to prepare them for entry-level jobs or to upgrade or advanced in an existing field of study. A Skills Competency Award is granted by the college and it is not reflected on the student's official transcript.

- **Department Award (D)**
  - The Department Award recognizes achievement by students interested in specialized fields of study. The curriculum is designed with the student's career goals, interests and talents in mind. A Department Award is granted by the SBCC department offering the award and it is not reflected on the student's official transcript.

Noncredit Programs

Santa Barbara City College offers the following noncredit programs of study through the School of Extended Learning ([https://catalog.sbcc.edu/sel/#programstext](https://catalog.sbcc.edu/sel/#programstext)):

- **Certificate of Completion**
- **Certificate of Competency**