

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE OREGON TRANSFER - BUSINESS (ASOT-BUSINESS)

Oregon Administrative Rule 589-006-0050(7) (<https://secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/viewSingleRule.action?ruleVrsnRsn=248692>) defines the Associate of Science (AS) degree as a state approved associate degree that is intended to prepare students to transfer into an upper division baccalaureate degree program in such areas as Business, Science, Mathematics and Engineering. The Associate of Science degree is often designed to meet the requirements of a specific receiving institution.

Any student who holds an Oregon community college Associate of Science Oregon Transfer degree in Business (ASOT-Business) that conforms to the guidelines set forth below, and transfers to any Oregon Public University, will have met the lower division general education requirements of that university.

Grade point average requirements for entry into the university's major are not necessarily satisfied by the ASOT-Business degree. Once admitted to the university and the Business program, however, students transferring under this agreement will have junior standing for both for the Business major and for university registration purposes.

Background and Intent

The ASOT-Business degree was created in 2003 through collaboration between Oregon community college faculty and administration and Oregon public university business department chairs and deans, to begin an exploration of offering statewide Associate of Science degrees. Like the AAOT (Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer degree) the intention is to recognize lower division coursework, but in this case coursework taken by students intending to major in business.

Any student holding the Associate of Science Oregon Transfer-Business degree recognized on an official college transcript will have met the lower division General Education requirements of baccalaureate degree programs of any Oregon public university.

Students transferring under this agreement will have junior status for registration purposes. Course, class standing, or GPA requirements for specific majors, departments, or schools are not necessarily satisfied by an ASOT-Business degree.

All colleges are pre-approved to offer this degree.

General Guidelines

- A student must complete a total of 90 quarter credits to be awarded the ASOT-Business.
- All courses should be aligned with the student's intended program of study and the degree requirements of the baccalaureate institution to which the student plans to transfer. A student is encouraged to work with an advisor in the selection of courses within the ASOT-Business degree for alignment to the institution the student intends to transfer.
- All Foundational Requirements and Discipline Studies courses must be a minimum of 3 credits. All Elective courses may be any number of credits.

- All courses must be passed with a grade of "C-" or better. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 at the time the ASOT–Business is awarded.

General Requirements

- **Writing:** Students taking writing courses of three credits each must take WR121, WR122, and WR227. Students taking writing classes of four credits each must take WR121 and either WR122 or WR227. Information Literacy will be included in the writing requirement.
- **Oral Communication:** One course in the fundamentals of speech or communication designated by the college as meeting the statewide criteria for speech communication.
- **Mathematics:** A minimum of three courses for which Intermediate Algebra is a prerequisite, including one course in statistics.
- **Computer Applications:** Proficiency in word-processing, spreadsheet, database, and presentation software as demonstrated by successful completion of applicable courses.

Distribution Requirements

- **Arts and Letters:** Three courses chosen from two or more disciplines.
- **Social Sciences:** Four courses chosen from two or more disciplines, with a minimum of two courses in "principles of economics" (to include microeconomics and macroeconomics) at the 200 level. The courses in economics must be completed with a grade of "C-" or better.
- **Science:** Four courses from at least two disciplines including at least three laboratory courses in biological and/or physical science.
- **Cultural Literacy:** Students must select one course from any of the discipline studies that is designated as meeting the statewide criteria for cultural literacy.

Special note: The remainder of the degree outline, specifically the business-specific requirements and the electives and/or university specific prerequisites (updated as needed), have not changed from the original curricular outline.

Electives

- Electives will comprise up to 13 credits depending on the student's selection of courses to meet the requirements above.

Notes and Clarifications

1. Courses that are developmental in nature, designed to prepare students for college transfer courses, are not applicable to this degree.
2. Courses used to meet the "Distribution Requirements" should be at least 3 credits each.
3. In Arts and Letters, the second year of a foreign language may be included, but not the first year. American Sign Language is considered a foreign language.
4. Oregon public universities may have requirements/recommendations specific to potential majors. Please see Streamlining Community College to University Transfer (<http://www.oregon.gov/highered/policy-collaboration/Pages/streamlining-transfer.aspx>).

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Adopted by Joint Boards Articulation Commission November 2011; Approved State Board of Education May 2012.

Prior Guidelines (provided for purpose of student completion)

An Associate of Science/Oregon Transfer degree in Business (AS/OT-Bus), offered by any Oregon community college, shall meet the guidelines listed below.

- 90 -108 credits is required for the degree, and of these
- At least 62-65 credits shall conform to the general education and distribution requirements listed below, and

General Requirements

- *Writing*: A minimum of eight credits of college transfer writing courses, with a grade of "C-" or better in each course. Designated courses are WR 121, 122, 123 or 227.
- *Oral Communication/Rhetoric*: A minimum of three credits of a fundamentals of speech or communication course with a grade of "C-" or better.
- *Mathematics*: A minimum of twelve credits of college level mathematics with a grade of "C-" or better. Math 111 or above with a minimum of four credits in statistics.
- *Computer Applications*: Three to six credits. Proficiency in word processing, spreadsheet, database, and presentation software demonstrated by successful completion of applicable courses.

Distribution Requirements

- *Arts and Letters*: A minimum of twelve credits, chosen from at least two disciplines.
- *Social Sciences*: A minimum of twelve credits, and shall include Microeconomics and Macroeconomics (8 credits minimum) at the 200 level. Courses in Economics must be completed with a C or better.
- *Science*: A minimum of twelve credits of laboratory courses in the biological or physical sciences.

Business Specific Requirements

- A minimum of twenty credits in Business.
- Each course in this section must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. Required courses are:
 - BA 101: Introduction to Business
 - BA 211, 213: Financial, Managerial Accounting
 - BA 131: Business Data Processing
 - BA 226/230: Business Law (or other advisor approved Business course elective)

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3. In Arts and Letters, the second year of a foreign language may be included, but not the first year. ASL is considered a foreign language.
4. Oregon University System institutions may have requirements/recommendations specific to potential majors. Please see Streamlining Community College to University Transfer (<http://www.oregon.gov/highered/policy-collaboration/Pages/streamlining-transfer.aspx>).