Award of Associate in Arts Degree #380.104

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RESPONSIBLE UNIVERSITY DIVISION/DEPARTMENT: Academic and Career Success

POLICY STATEMENT

Upon request by the student, the University will award an associate in arts degree to an undergraduate degree seeking student (FTIC or transfer with 40 or fewer credits) who has met all the degree requirements (credit hour and residency, UCC, GPA, SUS).

SCOPE

This policy applies to undergraduate degree-seeking students who have met the following requirements:

**Credit Hour and Residency Requirements:**
Successful completion of at least 60 credit hours with the required grade point average. At least the last 20 credit hours must be completed at the University. Exceptions may be approved by Academic and Career Success. Students who transfer in more than 40 credits from another institution are not eligible to receive the associate in arts degree from FIU.

**University Curriculum Requirements:**
Completion of the University Core Curriculum.

**Grade Point Average Requirements:**
A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or higher for courses taken at the University.

**State University System (SUS) Requirements:**
Completion of the civic literacy requirement (2018 and later).
Completion of the foreign language requirement, FLENT/FLEX (2015 and later).

**Other:**
The associate in arts degree will not be awarded the same semester a student is receiving the bachelor’s degree or after a bachelor’s degree has been earned. There must be no incomplete grades for the AA to be awarded.

REASON FOR POLICY

To state the minimum University requirements for awarding and procedures for receiving an associate in arts degree. Florida Administrative Code, 6A-10.024, 6A-10.02412, 6A-10.02413
DEFINITIONS

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ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

When a student has completed the requirements for an associate in arts degree and wishes to have it recorded on the student’s grade transcript, the student must obtain an application for associate in arts degree from https://aadegree.fiu.edu and submit it to Academic and Career Success. Academic and Career Success will review the application. If all requirements have been met, Academic and Career Success will notify the Registrar’s Office. The Registrar’s Office will then post to the student’s grade transcript that the student has been awarded an associate in arts degree.

No diploma is given for the associate in arts degree and there is no commencement ceremony for the award of the associate in arts degree. If the requirements for the degree have not been met, the application procedure must be repeated after successful completion of all requirements.

RELATED RESOURCES

- [https://aadegree.fiu.edu](https://aadegree.fiu.edu)
- Florida Administrative Code, 6A-10.024, 6A-10.02412, 6A-10.02413

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