

## SPECIAL PROGRAMS

### English for Academic Purposes (EAP) [Formerly known as ESL/ENS]

Courses in English for Academic Purposes are offered at the Ybor City and Dale Mabry campuses.

The six levels of instruction are designed to help non-native English speakers reach a level of proficiency that will prepare them for better employment or academic opportunities.

EAP courses are as follows:

#### College Preparatory Level

EAP 0100	Speech/Listening I	3 cr.
EAP 0120	Reading I	3 cr.
EAP 0140	Writing I	3 cr.
EAP 0160	Grammar I	3 cr.
EAP 0200	Speech/Listening II	3 cr.
EAP 0220	Reading II	3 cr.
EAP 0240	Writing II	3 cr.
EAP 0260	Grammar II	3 cr.
EAP 0300	Speech/Listening III	3 cr.
EAP 0320	Reading III	3 cr.
EAP 0340	Writing III	3 cr.

EAP 0360	Grammar III	3 cr.
EAP 0400	Speech/Listening IV	3 cr.
EAP 0420	Reading IV	3 cr.
EAP 0440	Writing IV	3 cr.
EAP 0460	Grammar IV	3 cr.

#### Associate in Arts Elective Level

EAP 1500	Speech/Listening V	3 cr.
EAP 1500L	Speech/Listening Lab V	1 cr.
EAP 1520	Reading V	3 cr.
EAP 1520L	Reading Lab V	1 cr.
EAP 1540	Writing V	3 cr.
EAP 1540L	Writing Lab V	1 cr.
EAP 1600	Speech/Listening VI	3 cr.
EAP 1600L	Speech/Listening VI Lab	1 cr.
EAP 1620	Reading VI	3 cr.
EAP 1620L	Reading Lab VI	1 cr.
EAP 1640	Writing VI	3 cr.
EAP 1640L	Writing VI Lab	1 cr.

**For more information about the EAP program, call 253-7744.**

## THE ASSOCIATE DEGREE

Hillsborough Community College offers associate in arts (AA), associate in science (AS), and associate in applied science (AAS) degrees.

The AA degree is awarded to students who complete university transfer curricula designed to prepare them to enter as juniors at a four-year college or university.

The AS degree is awarded to students who complete technical programs. The AS degree is designed to prepare students for the workforce. A number of these degrees now designed so that students who earn them may transfer their credits into specialized programs at four-year institutions. In addition, students who earn one AS degree may qualify for another. Students wishing to earn a second AS degree must complete at least 15 hours at HCC beyond the first degree. Moreover, they must meet all requirements for the second degree.

The AAS degree is also awarded to students who complete a technical program. However, the AAS degree is designed to be an entry-level, job-preparation degree. It is not designed for transfer to a four-year institution.

To ensure a well-rounded education, degree curricula include general education courses within communications, humanities, natural sciences, mathematics and social and behavioral sciences. Where options are available, they are noted.

### Time to Degree and Common Prerequisites

Florida statutes require that associate in arts degrees require no more than 60 credit hours. Those statutes also mandate that the general education courses required for the associates in arts degrees be distributed within designated categories. Courses that comprise the 24 hours of electives may be designated for university program entry.

### Graduation Requirements

To earn an AA, an AS, or an AAS degree, students must:

1. complete the approved curriculum of not less than 60 credits including General Education Requirements, program requirements, and electives; and
2. fulfill the degree requirements under the catalog in effect during the semester that begins the period of continuous enrollment that immediately precedes the semester in which the student applies for graduation.

**NOTE:** Continuous enrollment is maintained by registering for at least one term each academic year. If a student's enrollment is interrupted for more than an academic year, the student will be considered a former student returning. A former student returning is required to meet the graduation requirements of the catalog in effect during the semester that begins the period of continuous enrollment that immediately precedes the semester in which the student applies for graduation. However, general education courses previously completed

will be applied to General Education Requirements of the catalog year chosen for graduation.

3. earn at least 25% of the credit hours applicable to the degree in residence at HCC.

**In addition:**

1. No more than four credit hours of physical education activity/skills courses may be applied toward a degree.
2. Students may apply only 12 hours of ENS/EAP college level credits toward a degree.
3. Students must have a 2.0 cumulative GPA, and their GPA in HCC courses must be 2.0.

**NOTE:** Credits from other colleges will be used in computing the GPA when they are part of the credit hours used for graduation.

4. Students must complete the capstone course for the AA degree. Prior to taking the course, students must have completed at least 45 hours of coursework towards the degree, including at least 24 hours of general education coursework with a minimum grade of C.
5. Students must earn appropriate CLAST scores for the AA degree (see CLAST) or satisfy one of the approved CLAST exemption alternatives.
6. Candidates must complete an application for graduation before the deadline (see the College operational calendar). A \$10 application fee is required for each degree.
7. Candidates must fulfill all financial obligations to HCC.

**Programs are subject to change.**

**Students are advised to obtain current information from an HCC Counseling and Advising office prior to registering for classes.**

