

CHAPTER FIVE

DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES OFFERED BY EASTERN

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS (A.A.) AND ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE (A.S.)

The curricula for the A.A. and A.S. degrees are designed to provide the freshman and sophomore coursework for students who plan to transfer to universities and four-year colleges to complete their bachelor's degrees. These are called "University Parallel" programs. A degree is classified as Associate in Arts or Associate in Science depending on content. Eastern follows the guidelines of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and works closely with universities to facilitate a smooth transfer process in many academic majors.

ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE (A.A.S.)

The A. A. S. degree is designed for students who want to enter the workforce immediately upon graduation in occupational and technical fields. Although A.A.S. degrees contain fewer university transferable credit hours than the A.A. or A.S., significant portions of the A.A.S. will transfer for students who decide to pursue baccalaureate degrees.

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

Students who successfully complete an approved academic educational program of less than associate degree length will be awarded an appropriate Certificate of Achievement.

NON-ACADEMIC CERTIFICATES

The College offers non-academic short course training programs in several fields. Non-academic certificates of completion are awarded at the conclusion of many of these programs. Some non-academic programs may award continuing education units (CEU), which should not be confused with semester credit hours awarded for academic programs. Contact the Coordinator of Continuing Education and Business training for information, 918.302.3642.

UNIVERSITY PARALLEL PROGRAMS (A.A. AND A.S.)

A. A. and A.S. degree programs are designed for students who want to complete their freshman and sophomore years at Eastern and then transfer to a university to complete their bachelor's degrees. Eastern works closely with East Central University, Southeastern Oklahoma State University, Oklahoma University, Oklahoma State University, and many other universities to insure that students may transfer smoothly and efficiently in their majors. Academic advisors and the Transfer Enrollment Center provide guidance to help students prepare for transfer. It is usually best to complete the A.A. or A.S. degree prior to transfer because the general education portion of the bachelor's degree can be "locked in."

Eastern offers university parallel degrees, options, and tracks for students planning majors listed below. Curriculum details are listed in the appropriate division section that follows.

NOTE: The list of programs below and the curricula specified on the following pages are subject to change by the Eastern Oklahoma State College Board of Regents with the approval of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education. The College will endeavor to work closely with ongoing students to minimize or eliminate any inconvenience caused by program changes.

<i>MAJOR</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
Agriculture (A.S.) (includes Agricultural Communications, Agriculture Economics, Agriculture Education, Agronomy, Animal Science, Food Service and Pre-Veterinary Medicine)	Agriculture

MAJOR	DIVISION
Business Administration (A.S.) (includes Accounting, Marketing, Management, Finance, Business Education, and other business fields)	Business
Child Development (A.A.)	Language & Education
Computer Information Systems (A.S.) (includes Business (MIS) and Math (Computer Science))	Business
Criminal Justice (A.S.)	Social Science & Music
Elementary Education (A.A.)	Language & Education
English* (A.A.)	Language & Education
Environmental Science/Natural Resources (A.S.)	Science & Math
Forestry (A.S.) (includes Forestry, Environmental Science/Natural Resources, Ecosystem/Range Management and Wildlife Ecology)	Agriculture
General Studies (A.A.)	Language & Education
Health, Physical Education and Recreation (A.S.)	Language & Education
History* (History & Political Science A.S.)	Social Science & Music
Horticulture (A.S.)	Agriculture
Journalism (A.A.)	Language & Education
Life Sciences (A.S.) (includes Biology, Pre-Nursing, Pre- Professional – [Medical, Dental, Veterinary Medicine, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, and other medical related areas])	Science & Math
Mathematics* (A.S.)	Science & Math
Music (A.A.)	Social Science & Music
Physical Science* (A.S.) (includes Chemistry, Physics and General Physical Science)	Science & Math
Psychology/Sociology (A.A.)	Social Science & Music
Speech/Drama (A.A.)	Language & Education

*Teacher certification track available.

**In most cases "Pre" Professional is an advising category not a major. Students planning to attend professional schools in these fields will normally obtain a bachelor's degree in a complementary field such as Biology or Chemistry for Pre-Med or History for Pre-Law.

CAREER PROGRAMS (A.A.S. AND CERTIFICATE)

Career programs prepare students for immediate entry into the workforce at a skilled level. Although these programs are not specifically designated for transfer to universities, some courses will be transferable. Contact an advisor or the Transfer Enrollment Manager for details.

<i>FIELD</i>	<i>DIVISION</i>
Accounting Assistant (A.A.S.)	Business
Administrative Office Tech. (Certificate & A.A.S.) (includes options for Executive, Legal, and Medical Office Assistant)	Business
Allied Health (A.A.S.) (Respiratory Therapy, Occupational Therapy, etc.)(This program is still under development.)	Math and Science
Business Services (Hospitality/Gaming Certificate)	Business
Business Services (A.A.S.) (includes Accounting Assistant, General Business Services and Hospitality & Gaming)	Business
Child Development (Certificate & A.A.S.)	Language & Education
Computer Technology (A.A.S.)	Business
Criminal Justice (COPS – A.S.)	Social Science & Music
Forestry Technology (A.A.S.)	Agriculture
Meat Processing and Food Safety (A.A.S.)	Agriculture
Nursing – RN (A.A.S.)	Nursing
Technical Studies (A.A.S.)	Special Programs