Note: This degree may not be the best option for students intending to transfer to a particular CSU campus or to a university or college that is not part of the CSU system. Students should consult with a counselor when planning to complete the degree for more information on university admission and transfer requirements. [www.c-id.net](http://www.c-id.net)

Source document: [http://www.csumentor.edu/planning/transfer/associate_degree.asp](http://www.csumentor.edu/planning/transfer/associate_degree.asp)

**BENEFITS OF AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE FOR TRANSFER**
- Guaranteed admission to the CSU upon completion of the requirements for a TMC degree at Modesto Junior College.
- Only 60 units of transferable coursework are required for associate degree, with only 60 additional units required at the CSU for baccalaureate degree.
- Because the major requirements have been developed collaboratively by the faculty of the CSU and the California Community Colleges, coursework is guaranteed to transfer.
- No local requirements (like Guidance, Activities) are required to earn an associate degree.

**C-ID: THE BUILDING BLOCK OF THE TMC**

In order to facilitate the ADT, the community colleges created a statewide numbering system to commonly identify courses using the C-ID or Course Identification Numbering System. After a state-level review process, courses commonly offered at California Community Colleges can be given a C-ID.

For example, Reedley College offers an introductory marriage and family course as SOC 32: Courtship, Marriage, and Divorce: Family and Interpersonal Relationships. MJC offers an almost identical course, SOCIO 125: Sociology of the Family. The state has attached a C-ID to both courses. In this case, it is C-ID SOCI 130 Introduction to Marriage and Family. Therefore, both Reedley’s and MJC’s courses are accepted as comparable.

C-ID will allow students to easily identify courses offered at different community colleges, and the use of the system is facilitating the development of consistent requirements for associate degrees by faculty of colleges statewide. For more information and a list of C-IDs, see p.94-96

**CERTIFICATION OF GENERAL EDUCATION**

After completing the IGETC or CSU-GE patterns, or the University Preparation Pathway, you will need to request that your transfer pattern coursework be certified by the Records Office, Student Services Building, Room 102. MJC General Education certification means that your transfer pattern coursework at MJC is officially recognized by the transfer institution as fulfillment of the corresponding General Education requirement(s) for the baccalaureate degree. Courses used for IGETC certification must be passed with a minimum grade of “C,” “P” or “CR.” For CSU-GE certification, Areas A1, A2, A3 & B4 (the Golden Four) must be passed with a “C,” “P,” or “CR.” Additional CSU Upper Division Transfer Requirements information is on page 92. If you do not have your MJC coursework certified, you can be held accountable for the target institution’s General Education requirements upon commencing your study at that institution.

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**Associate Degree for Transfer**

**A Degree with a Guarantee.™**

To Earn an Associate Degree For Transfer:

1. Complete 60 units in courses numbered 100 to 299, twelve (12) of which must be completed “in-residence” at MJC. All courses numbered 100-299 will transfer to CSU. Consult an MJC Counselor or [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org) for information on transferable MJC courses. Only one degree may be awarded in any one program.

2. Earn an overall GPA of 2.0 or higher (C average) based on all work attempted in college courses numbered 50 to 399.

3. Fulfill the general education requirement* for the school you plan to attend by successfully completing the appropriate General Education (GE) transfer pattern requirements (with a C or better in each course) indicated below. Upon completion of the requirements, you will be eligible for a Certificate of Achievement in CSU-GE or IGETC from MJC. For more information, visit the Evaluations Office, Student Services Building, Room 226. Successful completion will also demonstrate that you have met or exceeded state-required competencies for reading, writing, and mathematics. Complete one of the following two general education patterns:
   - CSU-GE Transfer Pattern (p. 117)
   - IGETC Transfer Pattern (p. 119). Follow CSU requirements.

4. Select and complete an approved "Associate Degree for Transfer"

5. Earn a grade of “C or better” or a “P” in every course completed in the AA-T or AS-T Major.

6. Apply for your degree. Associate degrees are not automatically awarded when you complete the requirements. You will need to file an Application for Associate’s Degree in the Evaluations Office, in the Student Services Building, Room 226 after enrolling in courses for the semester in which you intend to graduate. Requirements may be completed during any semester or summer session. The graduation ceremony is held at the end of the spring semester.

7. Request GE Certification on your transcript. The CSU system accepts full certification or subject-area certification upon completion of lower-division GE requirements. When applying to the transfer institution and requesting MJC transcripts through Enrollment Services (Records), students should request GE certification.

*Students who possess a baccalaureate or higher degree completed at a regionally accredited college or university will have satisfied general education and competency requirements including guidance and activities for AA/AS Degree.

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Planning Your Education

Career Technical Education 2017-2018 Pathway

Prepare for employment with an associate’s degree or certificate of achievement.

Successfully complete* the following steps to earn a Certificate of Achievement or Associate’s degree from Modesto Junior College. Enroll in a Guidance class and meet with a counselor to ensure that you complete each step accurately and efficiently. You may earn a Certificate of Achievement and an Associate’s degree in many programs; however only one degree (AA or AS) can be awarded in any one program. To learn more about the Career & Technical Education pathway, see page 111.

Earn a Certificate of Achievement:

1. Select a Certificate of Achievement from the catalog and complete the requirements as listed.
2. Earn a grade of C or better in every course in the Certificate of Achievement.
3. Apply for your Certificate. The Certificate of Achievement is not automatically awarded when you complete the requirements. File an application for Certificate of Achievement during the same semester in which you plan to finish requirements (Evaluations Office, Student Services Building, Room 226.)

Earn an Associate’s degree:

1. Complete 60 units in courses numbered 50 to 399. Twelve (12) units must be completed “in-residence” at MJC.
2. Earn an overall GPA of 2.0 or higher (C average) based on all work attempted in college courses numbered 50 to 399.
3. Demonstrate competence in reading, writing, and mathematics.*

Reading: Meet one of the following requirements:
- Completion of the applicable General Education pattern (MJC-GE, CSU-GE, and/or IGETC) with a C average or better (2.0)
- Completion of READ 184 with a C or better

Writing: Meet one of the following requirements:
- Completion of ENGL 100 or ENGL 101 or equivalent course from another institution with a C or better
- Score of 3, 4, or 5 on AP Exam: Language & Composition OR Literature & Composition

Mathematics: Meet one of the following requirements:
- Eligibility for entrance into any 100-level MATH course though MJC Assessment Process
- Score of 3, 4 or 5 on AP Exam: Calculus AB OR Calculus BC OR Statistics
- Completion of MATH 89 or higher-level MATH course, or equivalent course from another institution with a grade of C or higher.
- Score of 5 on IB Exam: Mathematics HL

4. Complete the MJC Guidance and Activities Requirements* as part of the 60 units required for associated degree. See page 114.
5. Fulfill the general education requirement* as part of the 60 units required for associated degree by completing the MJC-GE Pattern (see page 115) with a GPA of 2.0 or higher.
6. Complete a MAJOR or General Studies EMPHASIS from those listed in the catalog in which you plan to earn your degree:
   - Associate in Arts degree (AA):
     Complete requirements for any AA Major listed in the MJC Catalog. Your AA degree will be in that major.
   - Associate in Science degree (AS):
     Complete requirements for any AS Major listed in the MJC Catalog. Your AS degree will be in that major.
7. Earn a grade of C or Better for every course in the major.
8. Apply for your degree. The Associate in arts Degree (AA) and the Associate in science Degree (AS) are not automatically awarded when you complete the requirements. File an Application for Associate’s degree in the Evaluations Office, Student Services Building, Room 226, the same semester in which you plan to complete the requirements. Requirements may be completed during any semester or summer session. The graduation ceremony is held only at the end of the spring semester.

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University Preparation Pathway 2017-2018

Successfully complete the following steps to earn an associate’s degree from MJC while simultaneously satisfying lower-division general education requirements for bachelor’s degree at many universities throughout California. While satisfactory completion of these requirements does not guarantee admission to a specific college or university, it will demonstrate that you have satisfied many “lower-division” requirements in preparation for upper-division study. Enroll in a Guidance class or meet with a counselor so that you complete each step accurately and efficiently.

**TO EARN AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE:**

1. Complete 60 units in courses numbered 100 to 299, twelve (12) of which must be completed “in-residence” at MJC. All courses numbered 100-299 will transfer to CSU, while some 100-299 transfer to UC. Please note that not all transfer units are accepted by every university. Consult an MJC Counselor or www.assist.org for information on transferable MJC courses. Only one degree may be awarded in any one program.

2. Earn an overall GPA of 2.0 or higher (C average) based on all work attempted in college courses numbered 50 to 399.

3. Complete the MJC Guidance and Activities Requirements* on page 114.

4. Fulfill the general education requirement* for the school you plan to attend by successfully completing the appropriate General Education (GE) Transfer Pattern (with a C or better in each course) as indicated below. Upon completion of the GE pattern you select, you will be eligible for a Certificate of Achievement in CSU-GE or IGETC from MJC. For more information, visit the Evaluations Office, Student Services Building, Room 226. Successful completion will also demonstrate that you have met or exceeded state-required competencies for reading, writing, and mathematics.

   **Do you plan to transfer to California State University?**
   Complete one of the following two patterns:
   - CSU-GE Transfer Pattern (p. 117). 
   - IGETC Transfer Pattern (p. 119): Follow CSU requirements.

   **Do you plan to transfer to the University of California?**
   Complete one of the following:
   - IGETC Transfer Pattern (p. 119): Follow UC requirements.
   - Individual breadth pattern for the UC campus of your choice as it appears on www.assist.org.

   **Do you plan to transfer to a private or out-of-state college or university?**
   - Work with a counselor to choose and complete one pattern (CSU-GE or IGETC) that best fulfills lower-division requirements for the targeted school.

   **Do you plan to earn a bachelor’s degree in a “high unit” major or one that requires extensive lower-division preparation?**
   - Work with a counselor to determine whether the University Preparation Pathway is right for you. If not, you will need to complete the Career and Technical Education Pathway (page 111) to earn an Associate’s degree from MJC.

5. Select and complete an associate degree major or a University Preparation emphasis

   - **Associate’s degree** with Associate in Arts (AA) or an Associate in Science (AS) major: The associate’s degree with an AA or AS major will demonstrate that you have taken courses in many college disciplines in order to gain critical thinking skills, in addition to completing a series of courses in a focused subject area. Your final transcript will show that you have earned an AA or an AS in the chosen area. Please note that some AA and AS majors include more courses than the required lower-division preparation for bachelor’s degree at the targeted college or university, so they may not be effective for bachelor’s degree preparation. Please see a counselor to carefully select courses for MJC and your target institution. You may complete any AA or AS in this catalog.

   - Students who complete the University Preparation Pathway with an AA/AS major will earn a degree in the major. For example, the student who completes the University Preparation pathway who chooses to complete the AS major in Physical Science, will receive a degree that reads: AS Degree: Physical Science. Students who pursue AA-T or AS-T degrees need to follow the requirements for Associate Degrees for Transfer on page 107.

   - **Associate’s degree in University Preparation with an area of emphasis**: Like the associate’s degree major, the emphasis will demonstrate that you have taken courses in many college disciplines in order to gain critical thinking skills. The emphasis, however, is a part of courses that you complete at MJC to prepare you for the major in which you plan to earn a bachelor’s degree. Courses in the emphasis are carefully selected to fulfill major requirements and to prepare you for your bachelor’s degree major at the transfer institution. For University Preparation emphases options, see page 104. Students who complete the University Preparation Pathway with an emphasis will earn an AA or AS degree in “University Preparation: (emphasis)”. For example, a student who completes the University Preparation “Humanities” emphasis would earn a degree that reads: AA: University Preparation: Humanities.

6. Earn a grade of C or Better in every course completed for the area of emphasis or the AA/AS major.

7. **Apply for your degree.** The associate in arts degree (AA), associate in science degree (AS) and/or the certificate of achievement in CSU-GE or IGETC are not automatically awarded when you complete the requirements. You will need to file an Application for Associate’s Degree in the Evaluations Office (Student Services Building Room 226) after enrolling in courses for the semester in which you intend to graduate. Requirements may be completed during any semester or summer session. Please note the graduation ceremony is held only at the end of spring semesters. Certification of general education requirements for transfer: CSU and UC systems accept full certification or subject-area certification upon completion of lower-division GE requirements. When applying to the transfer institution and requesting MJC transcripts, students should request GE certification.

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