Academic Programs

Atlantic Cape offers curricula leading to four degrees: the Associate in Arts (A.A.), the Associate in Science (A.S.), the Associate in Fine Arts (A.F.A.) and the Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.). These degrees are designed so that full-time, academically prepared students may complete their studies in four semesters, over a two-year period. (This does not apply to the Nursing or Radiologic Technology programs.)

Part-time students are free to work at a self-determined pace. In addition, both full-time and part-time students may require additional time to master verbal, written and elementary mathematics skills that are prerequisite to their programs of study. For degree-seeking students, this need is determined prior to registration when they take the next-generation ACCUPLACER.

A.A., A.S., A.F.A., and A.A.S. degrees require 45, 30, 20 and 20 credits, respectively, in general education and that students successfully complete course work in a designated program of study. Refer to the individual program listings for course requirements.

General education courses are mandated by the state of New Jersey to facilitate the development of the broadly educated person, one who is able to think effectively, communicate thoughts, make relevant judgments and distinguish among values. Some program courses are designed for transfer into major fields of study at four-year colleges or for job placement.