

## CATALOG LIMITATIONS

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## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

### ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE, ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREE and ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE

An associate degree is awarded upon completion of the following requirements:

**General Education:** Satisfactory completion of the applicable General Education Core.

**Major:** Satisfactory completion of the prescribed series of courses for the selected major.

**Total Credits:** Satisfactory completion of the required number of credits and courses for the selected associate degree program.

**Scholarship:** Cumulative and semester grade point average of at least 2.0.

**Application for Graduation:** Submission of an Application for Graduation by the beginning of third week of the semester - see the Calendars section at the beginning of this catalog. (Application forms may be obtained from the Office of Admissions and Records.)

#### Limitations:

- a. Students transferring from other institutions must earn at least 30 credits of the major at COM-FSM.
- b. A maximum of ten calendar years is allowed to fulfill the degree requirements of the selected major as described in the catalog which was in force at the time of admission. Time is measured from the first enrollment at COM-FSM to the date of certification of completion of the degree requirements for the major. The ten-year limit and the graduation requirements may change only in the following circumstances:
  - The student is out of school for at least two consecutive regular semesters.
  - The student changes major by filing a 'change of major' form with the Office of Admissions and Records.

The ten-year period then begins from the time either of the above occurs, and the graduation requirements are determined by the catalog in effect at the time of change.

## CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

A certificate of achievement is awarded upon successful completion of a prescribed series of courses which consists of a minimum of 30 semester credits and leads to an occupational skill. To receive a certificate of achievement, students must earn a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 for the prescribed series of courses. Specific completion requirements for the various certificate of achievement programs are detailed in their descriptions.