This procedure implements

Graduation requirements for Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) or Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T) for California State University (CSU)

The Associate in Arts for Transfer or the Associate in Science for Transfer is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor’s degree in a similar major at a CSU campus. Each AA-T or AS-T is accepted by some but not all CSU campuses.

Degree Requirements:
The following is required for all AA-T and AS-T degrees:
1. 60 CSU transferable semester units;
2. Minimum grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 in all CSU-transferable coursework. While a minimum of 2.0 is required for admission, some CSU campuses and majors may require a higher GPA;
3. Completion of 18 semester units in an AA-T or AS-T major. All courses in the major must be completed with a grade of C or better; and
4. completion of the CSU General Education-Breadth pattern or the Intesegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum pattern.

Graduation requirements for Associate of Science and Associate of Arts Degree

1. Associate of science and associate of arts transfer degree programs shall be restricted to those courses that meet major preparation requirements for four-year colleges and universities.
2. Associate of science and associate of arts degree programs must require at least 18 semester (27 quarter) units of coursework in a single discipline or related disciplines as listed in the community colleges taxonomy of programs or in an area of emphasis involving lower division coursework which prepares students for a field of study or for a specific major at the University of California (UC) or the CSU.
   A. A major may be defined by the lower division requirements for a specific major at the UC or CSU or a minimum of 18 semester units in a field or related fields selected by the community college. The requirements for a major should consist of all courses that all students are expected to complete for a specific number of units—a small number of the required units may be completed by selecting courses from a list of restricted electives;
   B. An area of emphasis is considered to be a broader group of courses and may be defined as 18 or more semester (27 or more quarter) units in related fields intended to prepare the student for a particular major or related majors at a four-year institution or to prepare a student for a particular field as defined by the community college.
3. All associate degrees shall be one of two general types: associate of arts or associate of science.
   A. The “Associate of Science” degree will be awarded in the areas of science, technology, engineering or mathematics; or areas of career technical education; and
   B. The “Associate of Arts” degree will be awarded in all areas not included in subdivision A).

4. Students receiving an associate degree shall complete:
   A. Minimum of 60 units.
   B. GPA and minimum grade requirements
      i. Effective 2009–2010 catalog year (and each year thereafter), students must earn a grade of “C” or better in each course required for the major;
      ii. Students enrolled in occupational and health occupation programs must earn a grade of “C” or better in each course required for the major;
      iii. A GPA of at least 2.0 (a “C” average) is required in the 18-unit general education requirement; and
      iv. A GPA of at least 2.0 (a “C” average) is required in all associate degree applicable courses.
   C. District competencies
      i. Competence in English composition shall be demonstrated by obtaining a satisfactory grade in an English course at the level of freshman composition or equivalent. Competence in English may also be demonstrated by completing an assessment and achieving a score determined to be comparable to satisfactory completion of the specified English course; and
      ii. Competence in mathematics shall be demonstrated by obtaining a satisfactory grade in a mathematics course at the level of intermediate algebra or equivalent; by obtaining a satisfactory grade in another locally approved mathematics course at the same level, with the same rigor and with elementary algebra as a prerequisite; or by completing an assessment and achieving a score determined to be comparable to satisfactory completion of the specified mathematics course.
   D. Minimum units in residence
      i. A minimum of 12 associate degree applicable semester units completed in residence at the College awarding the degree; and
      ii. A minimum of 6 semester units in the major completed in residence at the College awarding the degree.
   E. All courses required for the major/area of emphasis
   F. One of the following General Education options
i. Option 1
San Diego Community College District General Education and District Requirements including:
   a) American Institutions/California Government;
   b) Health Education;
   c) Exercise Science Activity; and
   d) Multicultural Studies.

ii. Option 2
CSU General Education Breadth (CSU GE Pattern);

iii. Option 3
Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) pattern;

iv. Option 4
San Diego Community College District General Education Requirements. Students selecting this option should meet with a counselor to determine the appropriate General Education courses for their individual transfer goals. Note Option 4 is only available for transfer students with a declared major in liberal arts and sciences degrees or a degree designed transfer students as specified in the college catalog.

v. Option 5
Students who submit an official transcript showing they have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution will have satisfied the San Diego Community College District College associate degree general education and District requirements by having previously completed the baccalaureate degree.

vi. G. A minimum of 18 semester (27 quarter) units of general education, including a minimum of three semester (four quarter) units in each of the areas
   i. Language and Rationality
      a) English Composition; and
      b) Communications and Analytical Thinking.
   ii. Natural Sciences;
   iii. Humanities;
   iv. Social and Behavioral Sciences
The remaining of the unit requirement is also to be selected from among the four divisions of learning or as determined by local option.

5. Program Recency may be established to require major courses to be completed within a minimum of 36 months prior to the date of awarding the degree or certificate and shall:
A. Be established by discipline faculty only if it has been determined a significant lapse of time will have an impact on a student’s ability to successfully fulfill the goals and objectives;  
B. Be stated in the official outline of record; and  
C. Be required of all students in the program.

References:  
Title 5: Sections 51022, 55060 et Seq., 55070, 55072, 55130, 55600 et seq.,  
Education Code: Section 70901, 70902, 78106  
Accreditation Standards: II.A, II.A.3