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Associate in Arts or Associate in Science Degree
City College of San Francisco, a two-year college, confers the degrees of Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, Associate in Arts for Transfer, and Associate in Science for Transfer on students who satisfy the course and grade requirements for graduation.

Extensive Choice of Disciplines and Courses
The College offers you an extensive choice of disciplines and courses. Additionally, students may complete the first two years of training for a profession, satisfy freshman and sophomore requirements for transfer to baccalaureate degree-granting institutions; prepare for employment at the end of two years or a shorter period of training; take evening, Saturday, and summer courses; remove educational deficiencies; or get other special preparation.

Instructional Areas Include the Following:
Program in General Education. An extensive selection of courses in the humanities, the arts, the natural and social sciences, and other fields.

Transfer Program. Courses offered to satisfy lower-division requirements to enable students to transfer to baccalaureate degree-granting institutions as juniors.

Occupational Program. Training for employment in occupations normally requiring two years or less of specialized career preparation.

Diversity Studies. Courses directed specifically to the interest and educational objectives of major segments of the San Francisco community including courses in African American, Asian American, Latin American, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender, and Philippine Studies.

International Education. Courses taught in other countries through Study Abroad and courses taught locally for international students, including an Intensive English Institute.

Distance Education Courses. Courses that are offered via online and hybrid instruction.

Foundation Courses. Basic courses in business, English, guidance, and mathematics.

Noncredit Courses. Mostly open-entry/open-exit courses, many emphasizing vocational education, leading to employment or job upgrading but also including courses in English as a second language, elementary-level and secondary-level skills, workforce preparation, parent education, health and safety, home economics, citizenship for immigrants, and special courses for disabled persons and older adults.

Community Service Offerings. Workshops and other short-term offerings that serve community interests and for which fees are charged because no tax support is available.

College Accreditation
City College of San Francisco is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, 10 Commercial Blvd., Suite 204, Novato, CA 94949, (415) 306-0234, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education. Additional information about accreditation, including the filing of complaints against member institutions, can be found at: www.accjc.org. Information related to the College’s accreditation is available at www.ccsf.edu/accreditation.

The following programs are subject to additional accreditation and certification standards:

Administration of Justice Department
ADMJ 85. PC 832 Arrest & Control
Presenter number 4540

Accredited by:
California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training
860 Stillwater Road, Suite 100
West Sacramento, CA 95605
916-227-3909

Aircraft Maintenance Technology Program
Certified by:
The Federal Aviation Administration
US Department of Transportation
Federal Aviation Administration
800 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20591
1-866-TELL-FAA (1-866-835-5322)

Culinary Arts and Food Service Management Programs
Accredited by:
The American Culinary Federation
Send comments in writing to:
American Culinary Federation Education Foundation
Attn: Accreditation
180 Center Place Way
St. Augustine, FL 32095
Fax: 904-940-0741

Dental Assisting Program
Accredited by:
The Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA)
American Dental Association
211 East Chicago Avenue
Chicago, IL 60611-2678
312-440-2500
Submit comments: www.ada.org/314.aspx

Approved by:
Dental Board of California
2005 Evergreen Street, Suite 1550
Sacramento, CA 95815
877-729-7789 (Toll Free)
916-263-2300 (Direct)

Diagnostic Medical Imaging (DMI) Program
Accredited by:
The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology
20 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 2850
Chicago, IL 60606-3182
Phone: 312-704-5300
Fax: 312-704-5304

Approved by:
The Radiologic Health Branch of the California State Department of Public Health
1500 Capitol Avenue, 5th Floor, MS 7610
Sacramento, CA 95814-5006
Phone: (916) 327-5106 Fax: (916) 440-7999

Drug and Alcohol Studies Certificate
Accredited by:
California Association of Alcohol and Drug Educators (CAADE)
5230 Clark Ave., Suite 3
Lakewood, CA 90712
707-722-2331

Comments or Questions: office@caade.org
EMT & Paramedic Programs
The EMT Program is approved by the State of California EMS Authority and local approving EMS agency.

The Paramedic Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) under the recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Profession (CoAEMSP). Program #600218

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)
25400 U.S. Highway 19 North Suite 158
Clearwater, FL 33763
Phone: 727-210-2350
www.caahep.org

Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Profession (CoAEMSP)
8301 Lakeview Parkway, Suite 111-312
Rowlett TX 75088
Phone: 214-703-8445
Fax: 214-703-8992
www.coaemsp.org

Fire Science Technology Program
Accredited by:
The California State Fire Marshal’s Office of State Fire Training
PO Box 944246
Sacramento, CA 94244-2460
http://osfm.fire.ca.gov/training/accreditedacademies.php

Health Information Management Program (Associate in Science)
Accredited by:
The Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management (CAHIIM)
233 N. Michigan Ave, 21st Floor
Chicago, IL 60601-5800
Phone: 312-233-1100
http://www.cahiim.org

Licensed Vocational Nursing Program
Approved by:
The Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians
2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 205
Sacramento, CA 95833
916-263-7800
bvnpt@dca.ca.gov

Medical Assisting Program
Accredited by:
The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)
25400 U.S. Highway 19 North Suite 158
Clearwater, FL 33763
Phone: 727-210-2350
Fax: 727-210-2354
Submit complaints: http://www.caahep.org/File-Complaints/

Registered Nursing Program
Approved by:
The California State Board of Registered Nursing
P.O. Box 944210
Sacramento, CA 94244-2100
http://www.nn.ca.gov/about_us/whatisbrn.shtml,

Submit complaints:
Board of Registered Nursing, Attn: Complaint Intake
P.O. Box 944210
Sacramento, CA 94244-2100
Fax: 916-574-7693

Student Affairs
City College offers a wide variety of services which are designed to assist you with completing your educational goal. The Division of Student Affairs is responsible for Admissions and Records Credit and Non-Credit, CalWDRKs, DSP&S, EOP&S, Financial Aid, Matriculation & Assessment, Outreach, Scholarships, Student Conduct & Discipline, Student Employment, Student Health Services, Student Activities, Student Equity and the following counseling and tutoring departments: Academic Student Counseling, Transfer Counseling, International Student Counseling, Career Counseling, and Learning Assistance. Other services are available to assist you as you work toward attaining your educational goals.

Counseling Services
As a student at City College, students receive individual counseling from a professional counselor. Instructors also advise and help students. Through its counseling programs, the College helps students choose an occupation; plan a program of study based on individual interests, abilities, and needs; develop educational plans; provide various types of educational counseling, including academic, career, transfer, and personal, and assist students with personal problems or other matters affecting their studies or college career.

Career Center
CCSF students and alumni are entitled to all the career services provided by the Career Center and the Career Services Office. Counselors will assist in making career/job choices, setting educational career goals, selecting a major, becoming job ready and seeking employment. Career services include individual career counseling, online advising, workshops, career success courses, and job resource information. The schedule of classes and workshops, as well as other events can also be found on our website www.ccsf.edu/CareerServices. For more questions call (415) 239-3117

Learning Assistance Center
The Learning Assistance Center offers a variety of programs and services designed to help you become a more efficient, independent learner and to make your educational experience at City College more successful. The Tutorial Center provides free tutoring in mathematics, sciences, business, social sciences, foreign languages, and other subjects. English instructors and tutors are available to help students in the Writing Success Project. The LAC Computer Lab offers access to the Internet and e-mail, and to educational CD, DVD, and software programs. College Success Courses are offered through the Learning Assistance Department. The Learning Assistance Center at the Mission Center offers many of these services. Online tutoring is available for some subjects.

Associated Students
Any student currently enrolled in a class at City College of San Francisco is a member of the Associated Students (AS). The AS Constitution sets up an Executive Board as a representative body for all CCSF campus and centers to facilitate communication, leadership, and advocacy. Further, the AS Executive Council appoints all student members to serve on participatory governance committees. There are
active Associated Student Councils at various CCSF locations including: Chinatown/North Beach, Civic Center, Downtown, Evans, John Adams, Mission, Ocean and Southeast. Each Associated Student Council may adopt its own set of by-laws to guide local governance. Each spring, the Associated Students elects a student trustee to represent its interests on the San Francisco Community College Board of Trustees.

The AS Ocean Campus funds diverse resource centers and programs including: the Bookloan Program, the Multi Cultural Resource Center; Dr. Betty Shabazz Family Resource Center, Guardian Scholars, HARTS, Queer Resource Center, Women's Resource Center, Student Health, Students Supporting Students ($3), and more than 60 clubs and campus organizations. There is a $5 optional Student Activity Fee, payable at registration, to help support these centers and programs. For information regarding the Associated Students, please contact the Student Activities Office in the Student Union Building, Room 205, Ocean Campus.

Inter-Club Council (ICC)
Recognized and funded by the Associated Student Council - Ocean Campus, the ICC consists of elected representatives from over 60 clubs. For more information about an existing club or about starting a new club, please stop by the Student Union Room 209 and pick up a club packet.

Student Activities Office - Student Union
City College of San Francisco provides a program of student activities that encourages student leadership, participation in participatory governance, and involvement in campus life. Information is available in the Student Union Building, Room 205, Ocean Campus. The Student Union at the Ocean Campus is a place where recognized student clubs and organizations can meet, socialize, and sponsor events. It is also a place where individual students and small groups can study and relax. There are AS Councils that sponsor student activities at the following locations: Chinatown/North Beach, Civic Center, Downtown, Evans, John Adams, Mission, Ocean, and Southeast.

Transfer to Universities and Colleges
To earn the Bachelor's or a higher degree, or to complete training for a profession, you may transfer from City College to a university or a college as follows:

If, when you enter City College, you have already satisfied the requirements for admission to a university or a college, you may transfer with full credit whenever you have completed the proper university courses satisfactorily. Because the College is accredited nationally and offers preparation for so many fields, you have a wide choice of schools at which to take advanced courses. Generally, to be eligible for transfer, you will need an average final grade not lower than C in all courses that you attempt.

If you need to make up high school courses or grades, you may remove your deficiencies while you take the university courses for which you are qualified. The courses and grades necessary for transfer and the number of semesters you will need to complete depend upon the requirements of the university or college at which you plan to continue your studies.

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