

# Associate Degree Q & A

# What is the difference between an Associate of Occupational Science degree and an Associate of Science degree?

The Associate of Occupational Degree (AOS) is designed for students desiring to develop applicable job-related skills. The courses are highly occupational in nature with direct application as it related to their particular field of study. This degree requires fewer general education credits than an Associate of Science degree. The transferability of AOS credits is possible but not guaranteed. The Associate of Science Degree (AS) is designed to be the first two years of a four-year degree. Currently, the *College* does not offer an AS degree.

#### What are The College's admission requirements into the degree programs?

As with the college's diploma programs, the *College* requires verification of either a High School diploma or General Education Diploma (GED). The *College* requires a \$100.00 non-refundable application fee to enroll as well as an evaluation to determine if the applicant is prepared for college level work.\_\_\_\_\_

# Is The College accredited?

Yes! The *College* and the degree programs are accredited by the Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS) which is nationally recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. The Medical Assisting program is programmatically accredited by the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES) and the Surgical Technology program holds a programmatic accreditation with the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP). Furthermore, the *College* is licensed by the Oklahoma Board of Private Vocational Schools (OBPVS) and recognized by Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

# I have attended college before. Will the College accept any of my earned credit?

If you attended an *accredited*\* institution and took the same and/or similar courses as what the *College* offers, your credits will probably be accepted. Only courses in which you have earned a "C" or better will be considered transferable. Additionally, only official transcripts sent by the granting institution, directly to the *College*, will be reviewed. A Transfer Credit form will be prepared by the Registrar's office. Your admission's representative will notify you of the outcome of transfer credits.\_\_\_\_\_

\*Must be recognized by the U.S Department of Education or Council of Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA)

# Will my credits earned at the College transfer to other colleges?

The transferability of the credits earned, cannot be guaranteed; however, this does not mean that they will not consider and/or accept the credit. If you are planning on attending another institution after attending the *College*, we urge you to inquire about your transfer options with the other institution prior to taking our courses.\_\_\_\_\_

#### Who are the instructors?

The faculty consists of mostly Master's level individuals. Their education and work experience is specific to the particular discipline that they are teaching.\_\_\_\_\_

#### Is there anything else I need to know?

Yes. This handout is not intended to answer all questions. Please talk with your admission's representative for additional information and for additional questions.

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