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Jones County Junior College (Jones College) offers courses of study and complete requirements for an Associate in Science and Technology, Associate in Science, Associate in Arts degree, Associate in Applied Science degree, Technical Certificate, or a Career Certificate. Requirements for degrees are set by the Chief Academic Officer.

Associate in Science and Technology Degree (AST)

To graduate from Jones College with an Associate in Science and Technology degree, students must:

- a. Earn 80 semester hours including LLS 1153, 3 hours; English composition, 6 hours; CSC 2293, 3 hours; humanities, 9 hours (at least 3 hours in fine arts); social science, 6 hours; mathematics (trigonometry or higher level math, 6 hours; laboratory science, 16 hours; technical classes subject to approval, 11 hours; and electives subject to approval to complete the total hours required.
- b. Developmental courses will not count toward graduation requirements.
- c. Earn a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA on all work attempted at Jones College. (Quality points earned from another institution will not make up quality point deficiency for graduation).
- d. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or above when all transfer courses used to meet degree requirements are averaged with course work completed at Jones College.
- e. Complete 25 percent of semester credit hours through Jones College.

Associate in Science (AS)

To graduate from Jones College with an Associate in Science degree, students must:

- a. Earn 72 semester hours including LLS 1153, 3 hours; English composition, 6 hours; CSC 2293, 3 hours; humanities, 9 hours (at least 3 hours in fine arts); social science, 6 hours; mathematics (trigonometry or higher level math, 6 hours; laboratory science, 16 hours; and electives subject to approval to complete the total hours required.
- b. Developmental courses will not count toward graduation requirements.
- c. Earn a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA on all work attempted at Jones College. (Quality points earned from another institution will not make up quality point deficiency for graduation).

- d. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or above when all transfer courses used to meet degree requirements are averaged with course work completed at Jones College.
- e. Complete 25 percent of semester credit hours through Jones College.

Associate in Arts Degree (AA)

To graduate from Jones College with an Associate in Arts degree, students must:

- a. Earn 60 semester hours including LLS 1153, 3 hours; English composition, 6 hours; humanities, 9 hours (at least 3 hours in fine arts); social science, 6 hours; college algebra or higher level math, 3 hours; laboratory science, 8 hours; and electives subject to approval to complete the total hours required.
- b. Developmental courses will not count toward graduation requirements.
- c. Earn a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA on all work attempted at Jones College. (Quality points earned from another institution will not make up quality point deficiency for graduation).
- d. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or above when all transfer courses used to meet degree requirements are averaged with course work completed at Jones College.
- e. Complete 25 percent of semester credit hours through Jones College.

Associate of Applied Science (AAS)

To graduate from Jones College with an Associate in Applied Science degree, students must:

- a. Complete requirements from an outlined curriculum stated in a specified catalog not more than three years old. Note that developmental courses will not count towards graduation requirements.
- b. Successfully complete SSP 1003 Smart Start Pathway.
- c. Earn a minimum 2.0 GPA.
- d. Complete 25 percent of semester credit hours through Jones College. Credit hours generated by work-based learning experience may be substituted for required courses to meet graduation requirements. The number of hours substituted will be restricted to a maximum equivalent to the hours generated by any two major field technical courses. Substitutions must be approved by the Dean of Career and Technical Education or the Chief Academic Officer.

Exception: Any deviation from the above-stated requirements must have the approval of the Dean of Career and Technical Education or the Chief Academic Officer.

Technical Certificate

To graduate from the college with a Technical Certificate, students must:

- a. Satisfactorily complete the prescribed Technical Certificate program as outlined in a catalog not more than three years old.
- b. Successfully complete SSP 1003 Smart Start Pathway.
- c. Earn a minimum 2.0 GPA.

Career Certificate

To graduate from the college with a Career Certificate, students must:

- a. Satisfactorily complete the prescribed certificate program as outlined in a catalog not more than three years old.
- b. Successfully complete SSP 1003 Smart Start Pathway.
- c. Earn a minimum 2.0 GPA.

Career Pathway Certificate

- a. Satisfactorily complete the prescribed certificate program as outlined in a catalog not more than three years old.
- d. Earn a minimum 2.0 GPA.

Credit hours generated by work-based learning experience may be substituted for elective courses. Substitutions must have the approval of the program's Dean or the office of Instructional Affairs.

JONES COLLEGE STATEMENT OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

Jones County Junior College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability in its programs, activities, or employment practices. The following persons have been designated to handle inquiries and grievances regarding the non-discrimination policies: (ADA/ Section 504) Sarah Jones, Director of Counseling & ADA Coordinator, Student Affairs, phone 601-477-4070; email ADACoordinator@jcc.edu and (Title IX) Dr. Brittany Barron, Title IX Coordinator, Hutcheson Hubbard Administration Building, phone 601-477-4127; email brittany.weatherford@jcc.edu. Jones County Junior College, 900 South Court Street, Ellisville, MS 39437.