

## **Board of Governors, A.A.S. degree**

The Community and Technical College at West Virginia University Institute of Technology is a participating institution in the state-wide Board of Governors degree program. This flexible program is designed for adults who wish to complete two years of college studies and receive an Associate in Applied Sciences degree. It offers an opportunity to gain credits for work and life experience, and it permits students to tailor their academic courses of study to meet their individual needs.

### **Degree Requirements**

Total Credits Required.....	60 hours
General Education .....	21 hours, including
Communications .....	6 hours
Social Sciences .....	6 hours
Mathematics and/or Science .....	6 hours
Computer Literacy .....	3 hours

**Rule of Failing Grades:** All F's received four years or more prior to admission to the program are disregarded when computing the grade point average. However, students who have received a second academic suspension are not eligible, except by special petition to the Committee on Classification and Grades.

**Residence:** Students must earn 12 hours in one or more of the West Virginia "State College System or University System colleges and universities, including community colleges". At least three graded hours must be earned at the Community and Technical College of West Virginia University Institute of Technology. Students will also need to pass the ACT WorkKeys general education assessment during their final year.

**Grades and Grading:** Same as other programs. See the WVU Tech catalog for more information.

### **Admission**

Students are eligible for admission to the program two years after graduation from high school. In the case of those passing a high school equivalency examination (GED), admission must be two years after their high school class has graduated. Students in the Board of Governors A.A.S. Program are also subject to all other Community and Technical College at West Virginia University Institute of Technology's requirements for admissions, basic skills testing, and appropriate course placement, including mandated remedial courses, which are not counted toward completion of the program. Catalog requirements regarding academic standards, student conduct, and graduation procedures also apply.

### **College Equivalent Credit**

If they wish, students may prepare a work-and-life-experience portfolio which will be evaluated by qualified faculty members for college-equivalent credits. The college-equivalent credits are used in the program to complete degree requirements. A fee of \$300 will be charged regardless of the credits awarded. The same fee will be required each time students request subsequent evaluations.

### **Other College Credit**

In addition to seeking portfolio credits, students are encouraged to explore other options for obtaining credit for prior learning experiences. These options include standardized exams, challenge exams, and credential validation.

### **Areas of Emphasis**

WVU Tech encourages the adult student to complete a focused area of education. An area of emphasis is achieved by completing 15 graded hours of related classroom work. See the Board of Governors coordinator for a current list of potential areas of emphasis.

### **Tuition and Fees**

There is no fee for admission into the program. For courses of study, students pay the same tuition as candidates in other degree programs.

### **A Second Degree**

A student may not be enrolled simultaneously in the Governors Associate of Applied Science degree program and another associate level degree program. A student with an accredited associate level or baccalaureate level degree is excluded from admission to the Board of Governors Associate of Applied Science degree program.

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