



# Bevill State Community College

*SACS Reaffirmation of Accreditation Compliance Certification*

## ***Federal Requirements 4.4***

Program length is appropriate for each of the institution's educational programs.

**(Program length)**

### ***Judgment of Compliance:***

**Compliance**       **Partial Compliance**       **Non-Compliance**

### ***Rationale for Judgment of Compliance:***

Programs of study at Bevill State Community College include transfer programs, career technical programs, and certificate programs. In Alabama State Board of Education [Policy 712.01: Degrees and Awards](#), the College is authorized to award Associate in Arts (A.A.) and Associate in Science (A.S.) degrees based on at least sixty semester hours. These degrees normally require at least two years of full-time college work. The College also awards the Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree based on 60-76 semester hours, depending on the program and option chosen by the student (see the below chart for details). The *Bevill State Community College 2008-2009 Catalog* explains requirements for its [university parallel programs](#), [Health Sciences programs](#), and [Career Technical programs](#).

In addition to these degrees, the institution offers certificate programs embedded in degree requirements as well as non-degree certificate programs. In accordance with Board Policy 712.01, the College offers seven certificate programs, which may be long-term or short-term depending on the option chosen by the student. Long-term certificates require 30-60 semester credit hours, while short-term certificates require 9-29 semester credit hours.

Bevill State Community College utilizes only semester credit hours to award degrees; it does not use any equivalency to semester credit hours.

| <b>Degree</b>                | <b>Required Number of Credit Hours</b> |
|------------------------------|--|
| Associate in Arts            | 60                                     |
| Associate in Science         | 60                                     |
| Associate in Applied Science |  |
| Nursing                      | 72                                     |

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| Emergency Medical Technician –<br>Paramedic  | 76    |
| Air Conditioning and Refrigeration<br>Technology   | 73    |
| Business Office Management & Technology -<br>Accounting  | 66    |
| Business Office Management & Technology -<br>Administrative Assistant                                  | 64    |
| Business Office Management & Technology -<br>Business Office Management                                | 66    |
| Business Office Management & Technology -<br>Legal Administrative Assistant                            | 64    |
| Business Office Management & Technology -<br>Medical Administrative Assistant                          | 64    |
| Business Office Management & Technology -<br>Software Specialist                                       | 67    |
| Child Development  | 68    |
| Computer Science - Information Technology  | 67    |
| Computer Science - Programming   | 73    |
| Drafting Design Engineering Technology<br>(Exact credit hours depend upon specialization<br>electives) | 70-74 |
| Electricity/Electronics Technology   | 70    |
| Machine Tool Technology<br>(Exact credit hours depend upon specialization<br>electives)                | 70-76 |
| Paralegal  | 66    |
| <b>Non-Degree (Certificate) Programs</b>   |       |
| Health Science - Surgical Technology   | 27    |
| Automotive Body Repair Technology<br>Short Term Certificate  | 25    |
| Long Term Certificate  | 54    |
| Automotive Technology<br>Short Term Certificate  | 25    |
| Long Term Certificate  | 60    |
| Cosmetology<br>Short Term Certificate  | 25    |
| Long Term Certificate  | 53    |
| Diesel Technology<br>Short Term Certificate  | 25    |
| Long Term Certificate  | 54    |
| Truck Driver Training  | 9     |
| Welding Technology<br>Short Term Certificate   | 25    |

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| Long Term Certificate | 54 |
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***References and Supporting Documentation:***

| <b>Keyword(s)</b>            | <b>Reference</b>  |
|------------------------------|---|
| Policy 712.01                | <a href="#">State Board Policy: 712.01 Degrees and Awards</a>   |
| University parallel programs | <a href="#">Bevill State Community College 2008-2009 Catalog, STARS University Parallel Approved Common Core Courses, pages 32-33</a> |
| Health Sciences programs     | <a href="#">Bevill State Community College 2008-2009 Catalog, Health Sciences, pages 40-48</a>  |
| Career Technical programs    | <a href="#">Bevill State Community College 2008-2009 Catalog, Career Technical Education, page 50</a>                                 |