It is the power and duty of the Board of Governors, as delineated in A-6b (section 10), of these policies, to grant to every student upon graduation or completion of a course of study, a suitable diploma, associate degree or certificate. It is a power conferred by the State and is a valued prerogative, exercised with care by the Board. The awards are as follows:

- **Associate of Applied Science Degree (A.A.S.):** Awarded upon successful completion of a minimum of 90 quarter credit hours and the requirements of a prescribed program or course of study.

- **Associate of Arts Degree (A.A.):** Awarded upon successful completion of a minimum of 90 quarter credit hours of a prescribed program of study. This degree is usually awarded to a student who completes the first two years of the Academic Transfer program.

- **Associate of Occupational Studies Degree (A.O.S.):** Awarded upon successful completion of a minimum of 90 quarter credit hours and the requirements of a prescribed program or course of study.

- **Associate of Science Degree (A.S.):** Awarded upon successful completion of a minimum of 90 quarter credit hours and the requirements of a prescribed program or course of study in the Academic Transfer Program.

- **Diploma:** Awarded upon successful completion of a minimum of 45 quarter credit hours and the requirements of a prescribed program or course of study.

- **Certificate:** Awarded for successful completion of a prescribed course of study that requires fewer credit hours than a diploma program.

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