Southeast Community College Specialized Program Accreditations

Southeast Community College has been accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (the largest institutional accreditor out of 19 recognized accrediting organizations) since 1983.

Accreditation provides assurance to the public, in particular to prospective students, that a college or university has been found to meet clearly stated requirements, criteria, and standards and that there are reasonable grounds for believing that it will continue to meet them. The institutional accreditors are highly trained, external, and private, nongovernmental/nonprofit organizations created for the specific purpose of reviewing higher education institutions and programs for quality.

Accreditation is valuable because it ensures programs of study fulfill the basic role of providing students with a quality education. It also assures employers that Southeast Community College has quality programs of study. In order for students to be eligible for federal financial aid and veterans' benefits, they must be enrolled in an accredited program recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Accreditation also makes Southeast Community College eligible for federal grand funding.

The following chart includes SCC's specialized programmatic accreditors that are recognized by the United States Department of Education and/or The Council for Higher Education Accreditation.

Academic Program Name A.A. = Associate of Arts A.A.S. = Associate of Applied Science A.O.S. = Associate of Occupational Studies A.S. = Associate of Science Dip. = Diploma Cert. = Certificate	Specialized Accreditor	Initial Accred. Review Date	Most Recent Accred. Review Date	Next Accred. Review Date	Location(s) of Academic Program L = Lincoln Campus B = Beatrice Campus M = Milford Campus Q = Education Square Campus O = Online O* = Online with face-to-face components F = Falls City Learning Center	Credentialing (Licensure or Certification) Exam Pass Rates
A.A.S. and Cert – Business	Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP)	04/2003	4/2023	2033	B, L, M, and O	N/A
A.A.S. – Baking/Pastry	The American Culinary Federation Education Foundation, Inc., Accrediting Commission	05/2014	3/2022	12/2027	L	N/A
A.A.S. – Culinary/Hospitality	The American Culinary Federation Education Foundation, Inc., Accrediting Commission	12/1998	3/2022	12/2027	L	N/A
A.A.S. – Early Childhood Education	Commission of Early Childhood Higher Education Programs of the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)	07/2012	3/2021	3/2028	L and O*	N/A

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A.A.S. – Associate Degree Nursing (ADN)	Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) and approved by the Nebraska State Board of Nursing. The most recent accreditation decision made by the ACEN Board of Commissioners for the Associate Degree Nursing program is Continuing Accreditation.	2015 (Initial NLN accreditation granted in 1/1994)	2023	2031	B and L	93% (2024) (NCLEX-RN Exam)
Dip. – Dental Assisting	American Dental Association – Commission on Dental Accreditation (ADA–CODA)	1963	9/2017	2025 Outcome expected March 2026	L	96% (2023-2024) (CDA Exam)
A.A.S. – Human Services	Council for Standards in Human Service Education (CSHSE)	1981 (1-year lapse in 2007; Re- accredited in 2008)	10/2023	11/2028	L and O*	N/A
Dip. – Medical Assisting	Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) upon recommendation of the Medical Assisting Education Review Board	01/1978	11/2021	2031	L and O*	57% (2025) (CMA Exam)
A.A.S. – Medical Laboratory Technology	National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS)	1982	2019	10/2029	L	100% (2024) (BOC Exam)
A.A.S. / Dip. – Paramedic	Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) upon recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (COAEMSP)	9/2014	Summer 2019	2024	L and O*	100% (2024) (National Registry Paramedic State Exam)
Dip. – Pharmacy Technician	American Society of Health- System Pharmacists/ Accreditation Council of Pharmacy Education Pharmacy Technician Accreditation Commission (ASHP/ACPE)	2007	9/2025	2030	L and O*	67% (2025) (PTCB Exam)

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A.A.S. – Physical Therapist Assistant	American Physical Therapy Association, Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (APTA- CAPTE)	4/2011	5/2016	Fall 2026	L	97% (2023-2024) (NPTE Exam 2-year ultimate pass rate) 75% (2023-2024) (NPTE Exam 2-year first attempt pass rate)
Cert. – Polysomnographic Technology	Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) upon recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Polysomnographic Technologist Education (CoAPSG)	7/2010	4/2015	Continued Evaluation: 7/2020 Comprehensive Evaluation: 7/2025 Outcome expected Spring 2026	O*	100% (2025) (RPSGT Exam)
Dip. – Practical Nursing	Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) and approved by the Nebraska State Board of Nursing. The most recent accreditation decision made by the ACEN Board of Commissioners for the Practical Nursing program is Continuing Accreditation.	Lincoln: 1963 Beatrice: 1971 Combined: 2001	Spring 2019	Spring 2027	B, L, M, F, and O*	92.2% (2024) (NCLEX-PN Exam, First- time takers)
A.A.S. – Radiologic Technology	Joint Review Committee on Education on Radiologic Technology (JRCERT)	1976	4/2023	7/2028	L and O*	100% (2024) (ARRT Exam)
A.A.S. – Respiratory Care	Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC)	1980	2/2016	3/2026	L and O*	90% (2025) (RRT Exam)
Cert. – Surgical First Assist	Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) upon recommendation of the Accrediting Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (ARC/STSA)	1/2020	1/2020	2026	0*	100% (2024) (CSFA Exam)
A.A.S. – Surgical Technology	Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) upon recommendation of the Accrediting Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (ARC/STSA)	6/1976	11/2017	2027	L and O*	97% (2024) (CST Exam)

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