

AP 4027 Catalog Rights

References: Title 5 Section 40401

Catalog Rights for Associate’s Degrees and Certificates

Each academic year, the Victor Valley College Catalog lists the requirements, rules, and regulations that define what students must satisfy to qualify for an associate degree or certificate. Degree and certificate requirements may change from one catalog year to the next. When students first enroll at Victor Valley College, they will follow the catalog requirements during that academic year (Fall, Winter, Spring, or Summer). Students have the right to complete requirements under the terms of any published catalogs while in continuous enrollment.

Catalog Rights

The term "catalog rights" refers to the particular requirements, rules, and regulations that a student must complete based on the academic year in which he/she/they entered the college or have had continuous enrollment. Catalog rights apply for a maximum of six years prior to graduation for students in continuous enrollment.

Continuous Enrollment

Continuous enrollment is defined as enrollment in at least one transcribed course in at least one semester (Fall, Winter, Spring, or Summer) during an academic year.

Students who do not meet the continuous enrollment condition specified above, and who re-enroll in the college, will fall under the catalog requirements for the academic year when re-enrolling at VVC.

Consequences of not being continuously enrolled may include:

- Loss of priority registration
- Changes in requirements for certificates
- Changes in requirements for degree majors
- Changes in general education requirements
- Discontinuation of programs

Course Substitution

The student may submit a petition to substitute a course. The substitution form can be obtained from the department chair.

- The required course has been discontinued.
- The required course has not been offered at VVC in more than a year and a half.
- The required course was canceled due to low enrollment.