



CSU General Education Requirements 2020-2021

The following is a general education pattern for California State University (CSU) which can be fully or partially certified upon successful completion of courses. Full certification indicates that the lower division general education courses are complete. Students must request the certification with their final transcript or once courses are complete, online via WebSMART.

Legend	C = Completed	IP = In-Progress	P = Planned					
Area A: English Language Communication and Critical Thinking			9 units Required			C	IP	P
One course required from each section in area A								
A1 Oral Communication:	COMM 110, 127, 130, 140	• Other: _____						
A2 Written Communication:	ENGL 100, 105	• Other: _____						
A3 Critical Thinking:	ENGL 110, 165 PHIL 103, 200 PLSC 103	• Other: _____						
Area B: Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning			9 units Required			C	IP	P
One course from Physical Science, one from Life Science, and one from Math Concepts. Also must include one lab course from B3 or any course indicated by an *								
B1 Physical Science:	ASTR 100 CHEM 114*, 192*, 210*, 220*, 231*, 232*, 410* ENVS 115 GEOG 100 GEOL 100, 121* METE 100 OCEN 100 PHYS 114*, 210*, 220*, 250*, 260*, 270*, 405	• Other: _____						
B2 Life Science:	ANTH 125 BIOL 100, 110*, 130, 225*, 230*, 240*, 250*, 260* ENVS 115 GEOL 121* OCEN 100	• Other: _____						
B3 LAB: These courses meet the lab requirement, but they must be taken concurrently or after completing the corresponding lecture course. Courses with () meet area B3 Lab requirements.								
	ANTH 126 ASTR 101 BIOL 132 ENVS 101 GEOG 101 GEOL 101 OCEN 101	• Other: _____						
B4 Math Concept:	Math 125, 130, 150, 200, 222, 225, 241, 243, 251, 252, 253, 270, 275	• Other: _____						
Area C: Arts and Humanities			9 units Required			C	IP	P
Choose at least one course from the Arts and at least one course from the Humanities. Courses must be from at least two disciplines.								
C1 Arts:	ART 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 114, 116, 118, 119, 250, 306 DANC 100 DRAM 101, 140, 160+, 200, 233, 300.4 INTD 150, 151 LIT. 441, 442 MUS. 100, 202, 210, 215, 240, 250, 260, 271, 275	• Other: _____						
C2 Humanities:	DRAM 151 ENGL 110, 161, 164 ECE. 191 HIST 100, 101, 104, 106, 201, 202, 245+, 246+, 247+ LIT. 151, 200+, 205, 231, 232, 252+, 266+, 371+, 372+, 373+, 375+, 441, 442 PHIL 100, 175, 160, 190, 240, 300, 312 SPAN 110, 120, 121, 122, 131, 132, 140, 145, 150+, 152+, 162+	• Other: _____						
Area D: Social Sciences			9 units Required			C	IP	P
The 3 courses selected must be from at least two disciplines.								
Social institutions:	ANTH 110, 200, 351 BUS. 100, 101 COMM 150+, 180 ECE. 201, 212+ ECON 100, 102, 230+ ENGL 200 GEOG 110, 150 HIST 100, 101, 104, 106, 201, 202, 242+, 245+, 246+, 247+, 422+ LING 200 PLSC 130, 150, 170, 210+, 310+, 320 PSYC 100, 106+, 200, 205, 300, 340, 410 SOCI 100, 105, 141+, 205							
The following courses will fulfill the CSU requirements for United States History, and Constitution and American Ideals (The California State University, before awarding a degree, requires students to complete courses or examinations that address: the historical development of American institutions and ideals Area US-1; and the Constitution of the United States and the operation of representative democratic government under that Constitution Area US-2; and the process of California state and local government Area US-3. Courses approved in two US areas may be used to satisfy both areas.)								
US-1:	ECON 230+ HIST 201, 202	US-2:	HIST 201, 202 PLSC 210+	US-3:	PLSC 210+, 310+	• Other: _____		
Area E: Lifelong Learning & Self Development			3 units Required (max. 2 units from E2)			C	IP	P
E1:	BIOL 310 CRER 137 HSCI 100, 116 KINE 101, 105, 109 PSYC 200, 340							
E2:	DANC 115.1, 115.2, 115.3, 115.4, 121.1, 121.2, 121.3, 121.4, 125.1, 125.2, 125.3, 125.4, 130.1, 130.2, 130.3, 130.4, 140.1, 140.2, 140.3, 140.4, 150.1, 150.2, 150.3, 150.4, 151.1, 151.2, 151.3, 151.4, 220, 400.1, 400.2, 400.3, 400.4 FITN 112, 117, 118, 119, 122, 128, 152, 153, 154, 210, 227.1, 227.2, 227.3, 227.4; 235, 304.1, 304.2, 304.3, 304.4; 332.1, 332.2; 334.1, 334.2, 334.3, 334.4; 335.1, 335.2, 335.3, 335.4 INDV 160.1, 160.2, 160.3, 160.4; 251.1, 251.2, 251.3, 251.4; TEAM 105, 111.1, 111.2, 111.3, 111.4; 132.1, 132.2, 132.3; 141.1, 141.2, 141.3, 141.4; 148.1, 148.2, 148.3, 148.4, 171.1, 171.2, 171.3, 171.4; 183, 184, 185, 186, 187 VAR 104, 114, 140, 154, 170, 340	• Other: _____						

Note: Courses indicated by + meet Cañada's Associate Degree Ethnic Studies requirement

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CSU Admission Policies and Selection Criteria:

The minimum admission requirement to CSU Campuses as a junior are:

- Successful Completion of at least 60 CSU transferable units that includes courses in area A1, A2, A3, and B4, courses in major, general education, and electives
- Successful Completion of courses in areas A1, A2, A3, and B4 (Golden 4) with grade of "C-" or higher – for some campuses and programs students may not take these courses during last term prior to their attendance at a CSU campus- Please meet with a counselor for more information and planning
- Minimum GPA of 2.0 for resident students and 2.4 for non-resident students. *Some CSU campuses may require a higher GPA for transfer, see a counselor for more information.*

Note:

Full completion of CSU GE may not apply to all majors. Please consult with a counselor.

- A course may be listed in more than one area; however, it can be used to satisfy only one area.
- AP Test may be listed in more than one area; however, it can be used to satisfy only one area
- For the most up-to-date transfer information including general education and lower division major requirements, go to www.assist.org.
- Certification will be completed only before transferring. Certification will NOT be processed after students have transferred and are enrolled at a CSU campus
- **What are “Golden Four” GE courses?** Courses in GE Subareas A1, (oral communication), A2 (written communication), A3 (critical thinking) and B4 (mathematics/quantitative reasoning) are sometimes referred to as the “Golden Four”. They are required for transfer admission to the CSU, and each of the four courses must be passed with a minimum grade of "C-", per Title 5 Section 40803.
- There are instances when a Cañada course is approved for CSU GE but the same course at CSM or Skyline is NOT approved for CSU GE (or visa versa). Check with an Academic Counselor for complete information.

