

CSU General Education Breadth Requirements (CSU GE)

2024-2025 - **Final Update**

This version of the CSU GE is only applicable to students who began attending a California Community College (CCC) in Summer 2025 or earlier and maintained continuous enrollment. Students who start at a CCC in Fall 2025 or later must follow the [Cal-GETC pattern](#). To determine which general education pattern you're eligible to follow and which one best supports your academic and transfer goals, please meet with an Academic Counselor.

1. Transfer to the CSU system consists of reaching junior standing by completing 60 CSU-transferable units with a min 2.0 GPA, including general education, major prep, and/or electives. Up to 70 CSU-transferable units may be applied to the bachelor's degree after transfer.
2. To be eligible to transfer to a CSU, students must complete Areas A1, A2, A3, and B4 with a grade of C- or higher in each course.
3. CSU GE certification requires completion of all requirements in Areas A through F, approximately 39 units.
4. A course must be taken during a term approved for CSU GE (see [assist.org](#)) and can be used only once to fulfill an Area A-F requirement.
5. Students whose majors require more than 30 units are encouraged to meet with an Academic Counselor and/or visit [assist.org](#) regarding the advisability of completing all major requirements instead of all general education requirements.
6. Area F and reduced units in Area D are newer requirements for students who began college Fall 2021 or later. Continuing students who began at a CCC or CSU prior to Fall 2021 and maintained continuous enrollment may complete previous CSU GE requirements.
7. 2024-2025 is the final academic year to establish catalog rights to CSU GE. Students beginning at a CCC, or returning after a break in enrollment, in Fall 2025 or later will be required to follow the California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) requirements.

CSU GE Requirements (39 units)

AREA A - ENGLISH LANGUAGE COMMUNICATION AND CRITICAL THINKING

Complete three courses: one Oral Communication, one Written Communication, and one Critical Thinking. 9 semester or 12 quarter units.

Select from below	Need	In Progress	Complete
AREA A1 – ORAL COMMUNICATION (3 semester or 4 quarter units) Speech 001, 001H, 010			
AREA A2 – WRITTEN COMMUNICATION (3 semester or 4 quarter units) English 001A, 001AH			
AREA A3 – CRITICAL THINKING (3 semester or 4 quarter units) English 001B _{F2020} , 001BH _{F2020} , 001C, 001CH Philosophy 025, 025H, 030, 033 Physical Science 002 Speech 006, 012			

AREA B - SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING

Complete at least three courses: one Physical Science, one Life Science, and one Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning. A laboratory must be completed corresponding to one of the two science courses, either embedded within the course (underlined below) or a separate associated lab listed in Area B3. 9 semester units or 12 quarter units.

Select from below	Need	In Progress	Complete
AREA B1 – PHYSICAL SCIENCES (3 semester or 4 quarter units) Agriculture Plant Science 004, <u>006</u> , <u>012</u> Astronomy <u>001</u> , 012 Chemistry <u>001A</u> , <u>001B</u> , <u>002A</u> , <u>002B</u> , <u>008A</u> , <u>008B</u> , <u>022</u> Environmental Studies <u>001</u> , <u>003</u> Geography 001, 004 Geology <u>001</u> , <u>002</u> , <u>003</u> , 004, <u>006</u> , 012, 021, 022, 023, <u>030A-M</u> Physical Science 003 Physics <u>002A</u> , <u>002B</u> , <u>008A</u> , <u>008B</u> , <u>008C</u> , 010, <u>031A</u> , <u>031B</u>			
AREA B2 – LIFE SCIENCES (3 semester or 4 quarter units) Anatomy <u>025</u> Anthropology 001 ¹ , 001H ¹ Biology <u>002</u> , <u>003</u> , <u>004</u> , <u>010A</u> , <u>010B</u> , 010C, <u>011</u> , <u>011H</u> , <u>014</u> , <u>016</u> , <u>030</u> , <u>038</u> , <u>039</u> Microbiology <u>002</u> Physiology <u>001</u> Psychology 002 ¹			
AREA B3 – LABORATORY ACTIVITY Complete one of the following if neither course completed in Area B1 or B2 include a lab: Anthropology 001L ¹ Geography 001L Geology 001F, 002F, 003F, 012F, 012L, 021L Physical Science 003L Physics 010L			

Area B continued	Need	In Progress	Complete
AREA B4 – MATHEMATICS/QUANTITATIVE REASONING (3 semester or 4 quarter) Business 014A, 014B Computer Science 002, 006, 008, 045 Math 003, 005A, 005AH, 005B, 005BH, 005C, 005CH, 006A, 008, 009 ¹ , 010, 010H, 015, 022, 038, 055, 055H Statistics 015, 018, 050, 050H			

AREA C - ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Complete three courses: at least one Arts and one Humanities; third course can be either. 9 semester or 12 quarter units.

Select from below	Need	In Progress	Complete
AREA C1 – ARTS (3 semester or 4 quarter units) Architecture 024A, 024B Art 001A, 001B, 001C, 003A, 003B, 004A, 004B, 004C, 004D, 005, 007, 008, 009 Chinese 022, 050 Cinema 007A, 007B, 025 Dance 021A, 021B Design Media Art 002 French 050 Italian 050 Japanese 050 Music 007A, 007B, 021, 022, 023, 024A, 024B, 025, 027, 028 Photography 010 Popular Music 007 Spanish 050 Theater Arts 001, 005A, 005B Television & Radio 019			
AREA C2 – HUMANITIES (3 semester or 4 quarter units) American Sign Language 001, 002, 003, 004 (Arabic 001, 002 only if completed Summer 2025 or earlier) (Armenian 001, 002 only if completed Summer 2025 or earlier) Chinese 002A, 004, 005, 010, 012 (001, 002, 003 only if completed Summer 2025 or earlier) English 005A, 005B, 010, 011, 024, 025A, 025C, 025D, 025E, 025F, 025G, 025H, 025I, 025J, 026, 030A, 030B, 030C, 044A, 044B, 044C, 045A, 045B, 046A, 046B, 048, 049A, 049B, 053, 054, 055 ¹ , 057, 058, 059, 060, 061, 065 ¹ , 075 ¹ , 078A, 078B, 082A, 082B, 085 ¹ Ethnic Studies ¹ 051, 055, 061A ² , 061B ² , 065, 071 ² , 075, 081 ² , 085 French 003, 004, 006, 010, 012, 016 (001, 002 only if completed Summer 2025 or earlier) German 003, 004, 005, 010, 012 (001, 002 only if completed Summer 2025 or earlier) History ¹ 001A, 001B, 002A, 002B, 005A, 005B, 007A ² , 007AH ² , 007B ² , 007BH ² , 008, 009A, 009B, 016, 018, 019, 025B ² , 025D, 025F, 025I, 027A, 027B, 030, 051, 061A ² , 061B ² , 071 ² , 081 ² Humanities 001, 002, 003, 004 Italian 003, 004, 010, 012 (001, 002 only if completed Summer 2025 or earlier) Japanese 003, 004, 005, 010, 011, 012 (001, 002 only if completed Summer 2025 or earlier) (Latin 001, 002 only if completed Summer 2025 or earlier) Linguistics 010, 011 Philosophy 001, 001H, 003, 007, 008, 020A, 020B, 031, 037 Portuguese 003, 004 (001, 002 only if completed Summer 2025 or earlier) Religious Studies 001, 002, 003 Russian 011 (001, 002, 003, 004 only if completed Summer 2025 or earlier) Spanish 002A, 003, 004, 005, 006A, 006B, 012, 025, 031, 042A, 042B, 044A, 044B (001, 002 only if completed Summer 2025 or earlier)			
Select one more course from Area C1 or Area C2 from above			

AREA D - SOCIAL SCIENCES

Complete two courses. 6 semester units or 8 quarter units.

Select from below	Need	In Progress	Complete
American Sign Language 015 Anthropology 001 ¹ , 001H ¹ , 001L ¹ , 002 ¹ , 002H ¹ , 003, 004, 005, 006, 009, 012, 086 ¹ Child Development 015 Communication 001 Economics 001A, 001AH, 001B, 001BH English 012			

Area D continued	Need	In Progress	Complete
Environmental Studies 002 Ethnic Studies ¹ 014, 014H, 051, 061A ² , 061B ² , 062, 063, 071 ² , 072, 073, 081 ² , 082, 083, 086 Geography 002, 003 Gerontology 001 Global Studies 001, 002 Health Education 051 History ¹ 001A, 001B, 002A, 002B, 005A, 005B, 007A ² , 007AH ² , 007B ² , 007BH ² , 008, 009A, 009B, 016, 018, 019, 025B ² , 025D, 025F, 025I, 027, 027A, 027B, 030, 051, 061A ² , 061B ² , 071 ² , 081 ² Linguistics 012, 014, 016, 017 Political Science 001 ² , 002, 006, 007, 021, 022 Psychology 001 ¹ , 001H ¹ , 002 ¹ , 003 ¹ , 005, 021 ¹ , 021H ¹ , 022 ¹ , 023 ¹ , 024 ¹ , 025, 062 ¹ , 072, 082 ¹ Social Science 017 Sociology 001, 001H, 002 ¹ , 014 ¹ , 014H ¹ , 015, 016, 022 ¹ , 024 ¹ , 030, 035, 063 ¹ , 073 ¹ , 083 ¹ Speech 013			
Select a second Area D course from the list above or previous page			

AREA E - LIFELONG LEARNING AND SELF-DEVELOPMENT

Complete at least one course. 3 semester or 4 quarter units. Maximum 1 unit of Dance or Kinesiology/Physical Education Activity.

Select from below	Need	In Progress	Complete
Anthropology ¹ 002, 002H College 001 Counseling 012 Health Education 002A, 003, 044, 052 Nutrition 011 Psychology ¹ 001, 001H, 003, 021, 021H, 022, 023, 024 Sociology ¹ 002, 022, 024 Maximum 1 unit of Dance of KINA Dance 003, 004H, 005A-B, 006A-B, 008A-B, 009A-D, 010, 011A-D, 012, 013, 014A, 015A-D, 022A-C Kinesiology Activity 003A-D, 027, 028A-B, 029A-C, 030, 032A-C, 033, 034A-B, 035A-B, 036-038, 039A-D, 040A-C, 041A-C, 042, 043A-C, 044A-C, 045A-D, 046A-C, 048A-C, 049A-C, 050A-C, 051A-B, 052, 052B, 053A-C, 054A-C, 065A-C, 069A-C, 070A-C, 081A-C, 082A-B			

AREA F - ETHNIC STUDIES

Complete one course. 3 semester units or 4 quarter units. Continuing CCC students with earlier catalog rights are not required to complete Area F. See an Academic Counselor for more information.

Select from below	Need	In Progress	Complete
Anthropology ¹ 086 English ¹ 055, 065, 075, 085 Ethnic Studies ¹ 014, 014H, 051, 055, 061A ² , 061B ² , 062, 063, 065, 071 ² , 073, 075, 081 ² , 082, 083, 085, 086 History ¹ 051, 061A ² , 061B ² , 071 ² , 081 ² Psychology ¹ 062, 082 Sociology ¹ 014, 014H, 063, 073, 083			

CSU Graduation Requirement - American Institutions

The CSU has a graduation requirement across all campuses that may be completed prior to transfer. This is not required for CSU GE certification or transfer admission but may be double-counted with noted requirements above.

Select from below (not required for CSU GE certification)	Need	In Progress	Complete
US-1: Historical development of American institutions and ideals Ethnic Studies 061A, 061B, 071, 081 History 007A, 007AH, 007B, 007BH, 025B, 061A, 061B, 071, 081			
US-2: US Constitution and government and US-3: CA state and local government Political Science 001			

¹ Courses listed in more than one area may be certified only in a single area (Areas A-F).

² Meets a CSU graduation requirement. See an Academic Counselor for more information.