

General Education/Breadth Requirements for A.A./A.S. Degree

DRAFT Effective Fall 2025 - This is not intended to satisfy all general education requirements for transfer to a CSU or UC campus and is not intended for students transferring to a four-year institution.

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Cupertino, California 95014

Check boxes in left margin when areas/requirements are completed.

Graduation requirements for the A.A./A.S. degree include:

Completion of General Education requirements with a minimum GPA of 2.0.

Courses may be used to satisfy a major and a general education requirement.

General Education Requirements:

Complete Areas 1-7.

Completion of the requirements for an approved intersegmental lower-division general education pattern used for transfer to the University of California or the California State University will also satisfy general education requirements.

AREA 1: ENGLISH COMPOSITION, ORAL COMMUNICATION, & CRITICAL THINKING

(10 Quarter Units)

Select one course from the English Composition category and one course from the Oral Communication and Critical Thinking category.

- 1A - English Composition** - Demonstrate proficiency in reading and written expression by achieving a score of 3 or higher on either AP Language and Composition or Literature and Composition exams (or) completing one of the following courses with a grade of "C" or better:
- EWRT 1A, 1AH or ESL 5[▲]**

1B - Oral Communication and Critical Thinking

COMM 1, 1H, 8, 8H, 9, 9H, 10, 10H, 15, 15H, EWRT 2, 2H, PHIL 3, 4, READ 10@

AREA 2: MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING

(4 - 5 Quarter Units)

Select one course in the Mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning category.

MATH 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 2A, 2B, 10, 11, 12, 22, 23, 31, 32, 44, MATH/EDUC 46, PHIL 7, SOC/PSYC 15, POLI 20 (all honors version if applicable)

AREA 3 : ARTS AND HUMANITIES

(8 - 9 Quarter Units)

Select one course from the Arts category and one course from the Humanities category.

Arts: ARTS 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, 2F*, 2G, 2H, 2J, 3TC[▲], 3TE, ASAM 40, CETH 13^{*}, CHLX 13^{*}, DANC 38A, E S 3[▲], F/TV 1, 1H, 2A[▲], 2AW[▲], 2AWH[▲], 2B[▲], 2BH[▲], 2BW[▲], 2BWH[▲], 2C[▲], 2CH[▲], 2CW[▲], 2CWH[▲], 3A[▲], 75G, HUMI 1[▲], 1H[▲], 15, INTL 21, 22, MUSI 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, NAIS 13^{*}, PHTG 7, 21, THEA 1, WMST 3C[▲]

Humanities: AFAM 11[▲], 25^{*}, ASAM 20^{*}, 21^{*}, 22^{*}, 32^{*}, 41, CETH 8^{*}, 19^{*}, CHLX 26^{*}, ELIT 8, 10, 10H, 11, 12, 17, 17H, 19, 21, 22, 24^{*}, 28, 38, 39, 40, 41, 41H, 46A, 46AH, 46B, 46BH, 46C, 46CH, 47A, 47B, 48A, 48AH, 48B, 48BH, 48C, 48CH, ESL 6[▲], EWRT 1B, 1BH, 1C, 30, E S 2[▲], F/TV 2A[▲], 2AH[▲], 2AW[▲], 2AWH[▲], 2B[▲], 2BH[▲], 2BW[▲], 2BWH[▲], 2C[▲], 2CH[▲], 2CW[▲], 2CWH[▲], 3A[▲], 3B[▲], 3BH[▲], 3C[▲], 3CH[▲], 6A[▲], 6AH[▲], 6B[▲], 6BH[▲], 6C[▲], 6CH[▲], 17A[▲], 17AH[▲], 17B[▲], 17BH[▲], 17C[▲], 17CH[▲], HUMI 1[▲], 1H[▲], 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 9H, 10, 13, 16^{*}, 18, 18H, 20, ICS 35^{*}, INTL 16, ITAL 1, 2, 3, JAPN 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, KORE 1, 2, 2H, 3, 3H, LING 1, MAND 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55A, 55B, 56A, 56B, NAIS 14^{*}, 15^{*}, PERS 1, 2, 3, PHIL 1, 2, 8, 8H, 11, 20A, 20B, 20C, 24, 30, 49, READ 10[@], RUSS 1, 2, 3, SIGN 1, 2, 3, SPAN 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, VIET 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, WMST 8[▲], 21, 22[▲], 25[▲], 26[▲], 27[▲], 29[▲], 31[▲], 49

AREA 4: SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

(8 Quarter Units)

Select two courses from Area 4.

ADMJ 29[▲], AFAM 10^{*}, 12A^{*}, 12B^{*}, 25^{*}, ANTH 2[▲], 2H[▲], 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12, 68, ARTS 3TC[▲], ASAM 1^{*}, 10^{*}, 11[▲], 12^{*}, 13^{*}, 22^{*}, 30^{*}, 42A, 42B, BUS 21, CD 10G, 10H, 12, CETH 8^{*}, 10[▲], 11^{*}, 19^{*}, 29[▲], 50^{*}, CHLX 10[▲], 11^{*}, 12^{*}, 26^{*}, COMM 7^{*}, 7H^{*}, 16[▲], 16H[▲], 70, 70H, CIS 2[▲], ECON 1, 1H, 2[▲], 2H[▲], 3[▲], 3H[▲], 4, 5, E S 1[▲], 2[▲], 3[▲], 4[▲], 50[▲], F/TV 10, 10H, GEO 4[▲], 5, 10[▲], HIST 3A[▲], 3AH[▲], 3B[▲], 3BH[▲], 3C[▲], 3CH[▲], 6A[▲], 6AH[▲], 6B[▲], 6BH[▲], 6C[▲], 6CH[▲], 7A[▲], 7B[▲], 9[▲], 9H[▲], 10, 10H, 16A[▲], 16B[▲], 17A[▲], 17AH[▲], 17B[▲], 17BH[▲], 17C[▲], 17CH[▲], 18A[▲], 18B[▲], 19A, 19B, HUMA 10[▲], 10H[▲], 30[▲], ICS 2A[▲], 2B[▲], 7[▲], 7H[▲], 16A[▲], 16B[▲], 17[▲], 17H[▲], 19^{*}, 25[▲], 26^{*}, 27[▲], 27H[▲], 36[▲], 37^{*}, 38A[▲], 38B[▲], 47^{*}, INTL 5[▲], 8[▲], 33[▲], JOUR 2, KNES 47[▲], NAIS 11^{*}, 12[▲], 16^{*}, 31^{*}, POLI 1[▲], 1H[▲], 2[▲], 3[▲], 5[▲], 15[▲], 16[▲], 17[▲], 17H[▲], 60A[▲], 60B[▲], 60C[▲], PSYC 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8[▲], 9[▲], 10G, 10H, 12[▲], 14[▲], 24, 51[▲], SOSC 60A[▲], 60B[▲], 60C[▲], SOC 1, 5[▲], 14, 20[▲], 28, 29, 35, WMST 1[▲], 3C[▲], 8[▲], 9[▲], 9H[▲], 12[▲], 22[▲], 24^{*}, 25[▲], 26[▲], 27[▲], 28, 29[▲], 31[▲]

AREA 5 : NATURAL SCIENCES**(4 - 6 Quarter Units)**

Select one course in the **Biological or Physical Sciences** category. Note: Completion of the nursing major clears this requirement. Underlined courses have a laboratory component.

Biological Sciences: ANTH 1, 1H, 1/1L, 1H/1L, 7, BIOL 6A, 6AH, 6C▲, 6CH▲, 10▲, 10H▲, 11▲, 13, 15▲, 40C, ESCI 1▲, 1^/1L, 19▲, 30^A, 60▲, E S 2^A, 50@▲

Physical Sciences: ASTR 4, 4/15L, 10, 10/15L, CHEM 1A, 1AH, 10, 25, GEO 1▲, GEOL 10, 20, MET 10, 10/10L, 10/20L, 12▲, 12^/20L, PHYS 2A, 4A, 10

AREA 6 : ETHNIC STUDIES**(4 Quarter Units)**

Select one course in the **Ethnic Studies** category.

ADMJ 29*^, AFAM 10*^, 11*^, CETH 10*^, 29*^, ASAM 11*^, NAIS 12*^, CHLX 10*^

AREA 7: PHYSICAL/MENTAL WELLNESS AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT**(2-5 Quarter Units)**

At least one unit must be completed from **DANC/KNES/PE/PEA Activities**.

Personal Development:

ANTH 2^, 2H^, BUS 56, C D 61, 64, COMM 16^, 16H^, CIS 2^, CLP 7, E S 2^▲, ESCI 30^▲, HLTH 21, HIST 9^, 9H^, HUMA 10^, 10H^, 20, 30^, HUMI 16^, KNES 45, 46, 47^, 48, 50A (3 units), 51A (3 units), 52 (3 units), 53, 54, 55, 90, 91, NUTR 10, PSYC 8^, 9^, 12^, 14^, 51^, READ 10^, WMST 1^▲, 9^, 9H^, 12^

Dance (DANC) / Kinesiology (KNES) / Physical Education (PE) / Physical Education/Adapted (PEA) Activities:

DANC 22, 22K, 22L, 22M, 23A, 23B, 23C, 23L, 23M, 23N, 24A, 24B, 24C, 25A, 25B, 37A, 37B, 37C

KNES 1A, 1B, 1C, 1CX, 1D, 1DX, 2A, 2AX, 2B, 2BX, 5A, 5AX, 5B, 5BX, 6A, 6AX, 7A, 7AX, 9A, 9AX, 9B, 9BX, 11A, 11AX, 11B, 11BX, 12D, 12DX, 12E, 12EX, 12G, 12H, 12HX, 12J, 12JX, 15A, 15AX, 15C, 15CX, 15E, 15EX, 15EY, 15F, 15FX, 16A, 16AX, 16AY, 17A, 17AX, 19A, 19AX, 19B, 19BX, 19D, 19DX, 19E, 19EX, 19G, 19GX, 20A, 20AX, 22A, 22AX, 22B, 22BX, 22C, 22CX, 22D, 22DX, 22E, 22EX, 25A, 25AX, 25B, 25BX, 26A, 26AX, 26B, 26BX, 29A, 29B, 30A, 30B, 30BX, 30C, 31A, 31AX, 31B, 31BX, 31C, 31CX, 31J, 31JX, 31K, 31KX, 32A, 32AX, 32B, 32BX, 32C, 32CX, 32D, 32DX, 32E, 32EX, 32F, 32FX, 36A, 36AX, 37A, 37AX, 37B, 37BX, 37C, 37CX, 37D, 37DX, 37E, 38A, 38AX, 38B, 38BX, 38C, 38CX, 38D, 38DX, 39A, 39AX, 39B, 39BX, 39C, 39CX, 39DX, 40A, 40AX, 40B, 40BX, 40C, 40CX, 41A, 41AX, 41B, 41BX, 41C, 41CX, 42C, 42CX, 50AL, 51AL

PE 32B, 32BX, 32F, 32G, 32H, 32HX, 32I, 32IX, 32J, 32JX, 32K, 32L, 32LX, 32M, 32MX, 32N, 32P, 32S, 32SX, 32T, 32V, 32VX, 32W, 37, 37X, 37Y, 38W, 38WX, 38WY, 39M, 39MX, 39MY, 39W, 39WX, 39WY, 40, 40X, 40Y, 41, 41X, 41Y, 42W, 42WX, 42WY, 43, 43X, 43Y, 44M, 44MX, 44MY, 44W, 44WX, 44WY, 45, 45X, 45Y, 46, 46X, 46Y, 47M, 47MX, 47MY, 47W, 47WX, 47WY, 48M, 48MX, 48MY, 48W, 48WX, 48WY

PEA 1, 1X, 1Y, 1Z, 2, 2X, 2Y, 2Z, 4, 4X, 4Y, 4Z, 5, 5X, 5Y, 5Z, 6Y, 15, 15X, 15Y, 15Z

<input type="checkbox"/>	REQUIREMENT: One Intercultural Studies approved courses (*) selected from Area 3, 4, or 7 above (course may be double-counted to meet Area and ICS requirements)
<input type="checkbox"/>	REQUIREMENT: One Environmental Sustainability and Global Citizenship (ESGC) approved course (^) selected from Area 1, 3, 4, 5, or 7 above (course may be double-counted to meet Area and ESGC requirements)

Total Units (40 - 47 Quarter Units)

▲ - Course meets Environmental Sustainability and Global Citizenship (ESGC) requirement.

@ - Courses listed in two areas can only be counted in one.

* - Course meets Intercultural Studies (ICS) requirement.