

Transfer Center

Cal-GETC 2026-2027

California General Education Transfer Curriculum

The California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) is a general education pattern that fulfills lower-division general education requirements at all California State University (CSU) campuses and most University of California (UC) campuses. It is also accepted by some private/independent or out of state universities. Certification of this general education pattern is advantageous to most transfer students, but is not a UC or CSU admission requirement except when students are completing an Associate Degree for Transfer to a California State University. Students are strongly advised to meet with a counselor to develop an education plan that includes general education and major preparation coursework specific to their intended UC or CSU campus.

Courses on list are approved for Fall of 2025 and valid through Summer of 2026. Be advised, information can change with catalog updates during the year. Consult the SDCCD website for current catalogs and updates (including addenda and/or errata) and assist.org for the required major preparation coursework and grade point average.

Certification: Only **FULL** certification of Cal-GETC is available. Please see a counselor for details.

- A minimum "C" grade is required in each college course for Cal-GETC. A "C" is defined as a minimum 2.0 grade points on a 4.0 scale. No more than 14 semester units of Pass/No Pass (Credit/No Credit) may be used toward Cal-GETC certification.
- Each course must have been Cal-GETC approved at the time it was completed. Courses may be approved for more than one Cal-GETC area. However, each course may be used to certify only one of the areas it is approved for.
- AP credit and coursework completed at regionally accredited U.S. colleges and universities can be used to fulfill some Cal-GETC requirements. All such credit must be evaluated through the Evaluations office. See catalog for details and limitations regarding AP/IB applicability.
- Foreign coursework is not acceptable.
- Some UC campuses do not allow use of Cal-GETC for students who were previously enrolled at a UC campus.
- Some community college courses have limitations on the amount of credit awarded by the receiving university.
- A minimum of 60 transferable semester units (including GE courses) are required for transfer to a UC or CSU. Students who have more than 90 transferable semester units should meet with a counselor.
- Cal-GETC may not be appropriate for some majors or schools at UC campuses. See the college catalog or the [UC General education page](#).
- All Official Transcripts including College High School, AP, and IB test scores are required.

KEY	C = Completed; IP = In progress; R = Remaining; AP = Advanced Placement; IB = International Baccalaureate * Course is listed in more than one area but cannot be certified in more than one area. + Transfer credit may be limited by either CSU or UC, or both. Please consult with a counselor for further information. @ indicates Common Course Numbering affected course as of Fall 2025. Do not duplicate courses. See counselor for more details. Unless otherwise noted by an (C=City, M=Mesa, MMR=Miramar) the class is available on all campuses.
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AREA 1 – ENGLISH COMMUNICATION (three courses — 9 semester or 12 quarter units)

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1A ENGLISH COMPOSITION (one course — 3 semester or 4 quarter units) **English** ENGL C1000@ or 105
Course(s) from other college: _____ AP _____ (No IB score accepted for this area)

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1B CRITICAL THINKING - ENGLISH COMPOSITION (one course - 3 semester or 4 quarter units)
English ENGL C1001@ **Geography** 205 (C,M) **History** 205(M) or **Philosophy** 205
Course(s) from other college: _____ (No AP or IB score accepted for this area)

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1C ORAL COMMUNICATION (one course – 3 semester or 4 quarter units) **Communication Studies** COMM C1000
Course(s) from other college: _____ (No AP or IB score accepted for this area)

AREA 2 – MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING (one course — 3 semester or 4 quarter units)

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Biology 200+ (M,MMR); **Business** 115+; **Computer and Information Sciences** 246; **Math** 115+ (C), 118, 116+, 121+, 122+, 141+, 150+, 151+, 245, 252, 254, 255; **Political Science** 201 (C,M); **Psychology** 258+; **Statistics** STAT C1000+@
Course(s) from other college: _____ AP/IB _____

AREA 3 – ARTS AND HUMANITIES (two courses - 6 semester or 8 quarter units) 2 courses with at least 1 from Arts and 1 from Humanities.

ARTS			
C	IP	R	

3A ARTS (one course - 3 semester or 4 quarter units) Art-Fine Art 100, 106 (M), 107 (M,MMR), 108* (M), 109, ARTH C1100(ARTF 110), 110 (C,M), 111+ (M), 120 (C,M); Chicano Studies 230 (C,M), 250 (C,M); Digital Film Production 101 (MMR), 102 (MMR); Design 104 (C); Drama 105 (C,M), 107 (C,M), 109 (C,M), 111 (C), 136 (C), 137 (C), 150 (M), 151 (M), 205(C,M); Fashion 122 (M), Film, Journalism, and Media Production 100(C) Music 100, 103, 109, 111, 114 (M), 117 (M), 118 (M,MMR), 119 (M,MMR), 125 (M), 126 (M,MMR), 131(M), 138(M); Photography 150 (C)

Course(s) from other college: _____ AP/IB _____

HUMANITIES			
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3B HUMANITIES (one course - 3 semester or 4 quarter units) Architecture 126 (M), 127 (M); Art-Fine Art 108* (M), 188* (M), 191 (M); Black Studies 145A* (C,M), 145B* (C,M), 150, 155; Chicano Studies 130 (C,M), 135, 138 (C,M), 190 (C,M), 210* (C,M); English ENGL C1002 (ENGL 208), 209, 210, 211, 215, 216, 220, 221, 230 (M,MMR), 234, 237, 240 (C,M); History 100*, 101*, 105*, 106*, 120*, 121*, 131* (M), 132* (M); Humanities 101, 102, 103 (C,M), 104 (M), 106, 118 (M), 119 (M), 201, 205 (M), 210(M); Native American and Indigenous Studies 200; Philosophy 102A, 102B, 103 (C,M), 104A, 104B (C,M), 105 (C,M), 106 (C,M), 107, 108 (C,M), 110 (C,M), 111 (C,M), 112 (M), 125 (C,M), 126* (C,M), 130 (C,M), 131

FOREIGN LANGUAGES: American Sign Language 121, 150* (C,M), 220 (C,M), 221 (C,M); Arabic 102 (C), 201A (C); Chinese 102 (M), 201 (M), 202 (M); French 102 (C,M), 201 (C,M), 202 (C,M); German 102 (M), 201 (M); Italian 102 (C,M), 201(C,M); Japanese 102 (M), 201 (M), 202 (M); Russian 102 (C,M), 201 (M); Spanish 102+, 201+, 202, 215 (C,M), 216 (C,M) 221*(M), 222 (M); Tagalog 102 (MMR), 201 (MMR); Vietnamese 102(M), 201 (M)

Course(s) from other college: _____ AP/IB _____

AREA 4 - SOCIAL BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES (two courses from two academic disciplines - 6 or 8 quarter units)

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Asian American Pacific Islander Studies 103(M), 124*, 125* (M), 127(M), 130*(M); Administration of Justice 101 (C,MMR), 230 (MMR); Agriculture 100 (C); American Sign Language 150*(C,M); Anthropology 103, 106 (C), 107, 110 (C,M), 117 (M), 140 (C, M), 210 (C), 215 (M); Art-Fine Arts 108*(M); Black Studies 100*, 104+, 115+ (C), 116 (C,M), 125 (M), 130 (C,M), 135 (C), 140A*, 140B*, 145A* (C,M), 145B* (C,M), 175 (M); Chicano Studies 110A*, 110B* (C,M), 140 (C,M), 141A+, 141B+, 150 (C,M), 155 (M), 170, 201 (C,M), 210* (C,M); Child Development 101+, 103+ (MMR); Communication Studies 135*, 201 (C,MMR); Conflict Resolution 101 (C); Disability Studies 101(C); Economics ECON C2001 (ECON 121), ECON C2002 (ECON 120), 220 (C,M); English 202 (C,M); Filipino Studies 100*(M,MMR); Film, Journalism, and Media Production 101 (C) Gender Studies 101 (C,MMR); Geography 102, 104, 135, 154 (C,M); Health Education 103*(C, M); 104 (M); History 100*, 101*, 105*, 106*, HIST C1001+ (HIST 109), HIST C1002+ (HIST 110), 115A, 115B, 120*, 121*, 123, 130 (M), 131* (M), 132* (M), 135(M), 141+ (M,MMR), 142+ (M,MMR), 150+ (M), 151+ (M), 154 (M), 175 (M); Journalism 202 (M,MMR); Labor Studies 100 (C); Native American and Indigenous Studies 100, 150, 200; Nutrition 153; Peace Studies 101 (C); Philosophy 109, 126* (C,M); Political Science 101, POLS C1000@, 103, 121, 123 (M), 124 (C,M) 140; Psychology PSYC C1000+@, 111 (C,M), 112 (M), 121+ (M), 123+ (MMR), 133 (M,MMR), 135, 137+, 155 (M,MMR), 166, 211, 230, 245, 283; Public Administration 110 (C,MMR), 200 (C,MMR); Sociology 101+, 110, 125 (C,M), 145, 150 (C,M), 201, 207, 220, 223; Spanish 222 (M); Sustainability 101; Women's Studies 101(M)

Course(s) from other college: _____ AP/IB _____

See catalog for *Limitation on Credit*: Student may only earn credit for one course if both DJRN 100 and JOUR 202 are completed.

AREA 5 – PHYSICAL AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES (two courses, one Physical and one Biological Science; at least one of the two courses must be associated with a laboratory - 7 semester or 9 quarter units)

PHYSICAL			
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5A PHYSICAL SCIENCE (one course - 3 semester or 4 quarter units) Agriculture 125(w/lab) (C); Astronomy 101, 102; Aviation 115 (MMR); Chemistry 100+, 103(w/lab) (M,MMR), 111, 130+, 152+, 160 (M,MMR), 200, 201, 231+, 233, 251(w/lab); Geography 101; Geology 100, 104, 111(w/lab), 130(w/lab); Oceanography 101; Physical Science 100+, 105 (M), 114

Physics 100+ (w/lab) (C,M), 125+ (w/lab), 126+ (w/lab), 180A+, 180B+, 195+ (w/lab), 196+ (w/lab), 197+ (w/lab)

Course(s) from other college: _____ AP/IB _____

BIOLOGICAL			
C	IP	R	

5B BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE (one course - 3 semester or 4 quarter units) Agriculture 107(w/lab) (C) ; Anthropology 102; Biology 100+ (w/lab) (M,MMR), 101(w/lab) (C,MMR), 107+(w/lab), 110 (M), 115(w/lab) (M,MMR), 120+ (M), 130, 131(w/lab) (MMR), 180+, 205 (w/lab), 210A (w/lab), 210B (w/lab), 215+(w/lab) (M), 230 (w/lab), 235 (w/lab), 250+ (w/lab) (M); Psychology 260

Course(s) from other college: _____ AP/IB _____

LAB			
C	IP	R	

5C SCIENCE LABORATORY (1 semester or 1 quarter unit) Anthropology 104; Astronomy 109+, 111+; Chemistry 100L+, 111L+ (C,M), 130L+, 152L+, 200L, 201L, 231L+, 233L; Geography 101L; Geology 101, 120 (C,M); Physical Science 101+ (C,M); Physics 181A+, 181B+, Psychology 260L (M)

Course(s) from other college: _____ AP/IB _____

AREA 6 – Ethnic Studies (one course - 3 semester or 4 quarter units)

C	IP	R	

Asian American Pacific Islander Studies 124*, 125* (M), 130*(M); Black Studies 100*, 140A*, 140B*;
Chicana and Chicano Studies 110A*, 110B* (C,M)

Course(s) from other college: _____ (No AP or IB score accepted for this area)

(OPTIONAL) – UC GRADUATION REQUIREMENT: LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH (Not part of Cal-GETC; may be completed prior to transfer) (Proficiency equivalent to two years of high school study in the same language with a minimum grade of “C” or better)

American Sign Language 120, 121, 220 (C,M), 221 (C,M); Arabic 101 (C), 102 (C), 201A (C); Chinese 101 (M), 102 (M), 201 (M), 202 (M); French 101 (C,M), 102 (C,M), 201 (C,M), 202 (C,M); German 101 (C,M), 102 (C,M), 201 (C,M); Italian 101 (C,M), 102 (C,M), 201 (C,M); Japanese 101 (M), 102 (M), 201 (M), 202 (M); Russian 101 (C,M), 102 (C,M), 201 (M); Spanish 101+, 102+, 201+, 202+, 215 (C,M), 216 (C,M); Tagalog 101 (MMR), 102 (MMR), 201 (MMR); Vietnamese 101 (M), 102 (M), 201 (M)

(OPTIONAL) – CSU GRADUATION REQUIREMENT: U.S. HISTORY, CONSTITUTION & AMERICAN IDEALS (Not part of Cal-GETC; may be completed prior to transfer) (6 semester or 8 quarter units)

US-1: Black Studies 140A, 140B; Chicano Studies 141A; 141B; History HIST C1001, HIST C1002, 115A, 115B, 123, 141 (M,MMR), 142 (M,MMR), 150 (M), 151(M); Political Science 121

US-2: Black Studies 140A; Chicano Studies 141A; History HIST C1001 115A, 141 (M,MMR), 150 (M); Political Science POLS C1000, 121

US-3: Black Studies 140B; Chicano Studies 141B; History HIST C1002, 115B, 123, 142 (M,MMR), 151 (M), 175 (M); Political Science POLS C1000

CSU GE ETHNIC STUDIES AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENT: Minimum 3 units (4 quarter units). Beginning in Fall 2021 the CSU has added an Ethnic Studies requirement; Students can reference CSU GE Area F.

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