



GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

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LOWER-DIVISION GENERAL EDUCATION

Select one class from each Attribute line.

Area	Attribute	Topic	Units	Courses
A. Basic Skills	A1	Oral Communication	3	GEO 102
	A2	Written Communication	3	GEW 101B*
	A3	Critical Thinking	3	LTWR 115; MATH 110; PHIL 110; PSYC 110
B. Mathematics and Natural Sciences Only one lab (B3) is required for general education.	B1	Physical Science	3	B1 courses intended for non-science majors: CHEM 101*, 105*, 117; GEOG 110, 210; GES 100, 101 (includes lab), 105 B1 courses intended for science majors: CHEM 150*; PHYS 101*, 201*
	B2	Life Science	3	B2 courses intended for non-science majors: ANTH 240; GES 102 (includes lab), 103 B2 courses intended for science majors: BIOL 104, 105, 211* B2 courses intended for Kinesiology and Nursing majors: BIOL 175*, 177*
	B3	Laboratory	0-1	BIOL 104*, 175*, 177*, 211*; CHEM 105L*, 150L*, 117; GEOG 110L; GES 101, 102, 110 (lab only); PHYS 101*, 201*
	B4	Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning	3-5	CS 105*, 111*; MATH 100*, 101*, 105*, 115*, 125*, 126*, 132*, 160*, 200*, 212*
C. Arts and Humanities^L Area C courses must be selected from 3 different disciplines.	C1	Arts	3	AH 111 [^] ; AMD 100, 101, 102, 103, 120, 121, 122, 123, 251; DNCE 101, 124, 200; FMST 100; LTWR 225; MUSC 120, 250; TA 101, 120, 222; VPA 101
	C2	Humanities	3	AH 111 [^] ; AIS 220, 230, 235, 280; HIST 101, 102; LTWR 100, 103, 105, 107, 203, 206, 208B, 210, 211; MLAN 115, 116; PHIL 101; WGSS 205, 211
	C3 ^L	Language other than English ^L	3	CSUSM offers: ARAB, CHIN, FREN, GRMN, SPAN
D. Social Sciences	D7	Interdisciplinary Social Science	3	AIS 101, 225, 240, 260, 290; ANTH 200, 280; BRS 100; ENVS 100; ETST 101; GBST 100; GEOG 201; HD 101; LBST 100; LING 105, 255; PSYC 210; SOC 105; WGSS 101
	Dh	U.S. History	3	HIST 130 or 131
	Dc, Dg	U.S. Constitution and California Government	3	AIS 150; PSCI 100; (Dg only: GEOG 341; HIST 347; PSCI 415)
E. Lifelong Learning	E	Lifelong Learning and Information Literacy	3	GEL 101 ⁺ , 110, 120; CHEM 312; ESM 111; ESW 120; HSCI 200; KINE 306, 310; NURS 210*, 211*; PE 203; PSYC 104; SOC 204, 303, 307, 309, 315, 317

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UPPER-DIVISION GENERAL EDUCATION

Students must complete GE Area A1, A2, A3 and B4 courses prior to enrolling in an Upper-division GE course. Upper-division GE courses should be taken *after* you have completed 60 units.

Upper-division Mathematics/ Natural Sciences	BB	3	Check your Degree Planner for current BB certified courses.
Upper-division Arts/Humanities	CC	3	Check your Degree Planner for current CC certified courses.
Upper-division Social Sciences	DD	3	Check your Degree Planner for current DD certified courses.

DIVERSITY AND EQUITY REQUIREMENT

Students must satisfy two Diversity and Equity requirements by taking two courses certified for Diversity and Equity in the United States (DEu) and Diversity and Equity in Global Contexts (DEg). Diversity and Equity certified courses can double-count with other general education, major, minor and/or elective courses.

Diversity & Equity: U.S. Context	DEu	3	Check your Degree Planner for current DEu certified courses.
Diversity & Equity: Global Context	DEg	3	Check your Degree Planner for current DEg certified courses.

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