Frequently Asked Questions About CSU General Education and Transfer

What is CSU General Education? A pattern of courses that community college students may use to complete the lower-division general education (GE) requirements for any California State University (CSU) campus.

How should I prepare to transfer?
⇒ Explore majors and careers aligned with your motivations for attending college.
⇒ Manage your time. Schedule enough hours to study outside of class time.
⇒ Plan to study two hours per week for each unit enrolled (ex.: 12 units = 24 hours study per week)
⇒ Work for the best grades possible. Earning a higher GPA gives you more options.

What classes do I need to complete for CSU transfer?
⇒ Complete the “Golden Four” > CSU General Education Areas A1, A2, A3 and B4.
⇒ Early on, enroll in lower division courses in your major.
⇒ Some major requirements may also satisfy general education requirements (ie. double-count).
⇒ Whenever possible, choose CSU GE classes of interest.

How do I find the courses required for my major? To find lower-division courses major course requirements at CSU, go to the ASSIST website (www.assist.org), and if applicable, complete an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) at Chabot College (see the Chabot College Catalog and/or DegreeWorks for ADT degrees).

What else should I know about CSU GE? Area F is not required prior to transfer, only for CSU graduation. However, courses in Area F can also be used in Area D (double counted). Note: Each year the CSU GE pattern is updated, so select courses from the current year’s CSU GE agreement.

How can I get more help with transfer?
⇒ Make an appointment with a Chabot College counselor to develop a Student Educational Plan (SEP) to clarify your goals and to map your course requirements.
⇒ Join a Chabot College First Year Experience (FYE), Special Program, and/or take a Psychology-Counseling (PSCN) course to enhance college success.
⇒ Meet with transfer reps & attend workshops in the Transfer Center. Attend Chabot College Transfer Day.
⇒ Visit/tour transfer schools.

What is general education “certification”? A process that verifies completion of lower division general education. Students must request CSU GE certification from the Chabot College Admissions Office at the same time that a final transcript is sent to one CSU campus they will attend. If CSU GE isn’t completed prior to transfer, partial certification of CSU GE is also available. Certification is automatic for students earning AA-T or AS-T degrees.

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CHABOT COLLEGE
CSU General Education Breadth Requirements

Effective Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Summer 2020

Grades of "C-" or better are required in Areas A and B4. For Associate Degrees for Transfer, Areas A2 and B4 require grades of "C" or higher.

*May only be used in one GE area (exception: courses in Area F may also be used in Area D)

+ Transfer credit may be limited for similar courses

A. ENGLISH LANGUAGE COMMUNICATION AND CRITICAL THINKING
   Complete one course from each group: A1, A2, and A3 (9 semester units)
   A1: Oral Communication — Communication Studies 1, 20, 46*
   A2: Written Communication — English 1* or 1A*

B. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING
   Complete one course from each group: B1, B2, B3, and B4 (9 semester units)
   One course from B1 or B2 must include a lab (Area B3)
   B1: Physical Sciences
      Astronomy 10, 20, 30
      Biotechnology 20
      Chemistry 1A, 1B, 5, 10, 12A, 12B, 30A, 30B, 31
      Geology 1
      Physics 3A, 3B, 4A, 4B, 5, 11
   B2: Life Sciences
      Anatomy 1
      Anthropology 1*, 1L, 13
      Biology 2, 4, 6, 10, 25, 31, 50
      Environmental Science 10, 11, 15, 15L
      Microbiology 1
      Physiology 1
      Psychology 4*
   B3: Lab Science
      Underlined courses indicate a lab. Labs may be separate or integrated within courses.
   B4: Mathematics

C. ARTS AND HUMANITIES
   Complete 9 semester units, with at least one course from each group: C1 and C2
   C1: Arts
      Architecture 14
      Art History 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 20*
      Film 14, 50, 60
      Music (MUSL) 1, 2A, 3, 4, 5, 8
      Photography 20*
      Theater Arts 1, 7, 10, 11, 12, 14
   C2: Humanities
      Chinese 1A, 1B
      Communication Studies 2, 6
      Ethnic Studies 5
      French 1A, 1A1, 1A2, 1B, 1B1, 1B2, 2A, 2B
      General Studies 31*
      German 1A, 1B
      History 1*, 2*, 3*, 4*, 33*
      Humanities 50, 60, 65, 68
      Italian 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B
      Japanese 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B
      Philosophy 50, 60, 65, 70
      Religious Studies 50, 64, 65, 70, 72
      Sign Language 64, 65
      Spanish 1A, 1A1, 1A2, 1B, 1B1, 2A, 2B, 2B, 5

D. SOCIAL SCIENCES
   Complete 9 semester units, including courses from at least two different disciplines
   Administration of Justice 45*, 50, 60
   Anthropology 1*, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7*, 8, 12
   Biology 80
   Business 20*, 36
   Communication Studies 11+, 12, 50
   Computer Application Systems 50
   Early Childhood Development 52, 56*, 62, 67
   Economics 1, 2, 10
   English 21*, 22*
   Entrepreneurship 5
   Environmental Studies 1
   Ethnic Studies 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7*, 10*, 22, 25*, 42*, 43, 52*, 53*, 62*, 63*
   General Studies 31*
   Geography 2, 3, 5, 10, 12, 20
   Global Studies 1*, 2*
   History 1*, 2*, 3*, 4*, 7, 8, 12, 19, 22*, 25*, 32, 33*, 42*, 48, 49, 52*, 53*, 62*, 63*
   Mass Communication 40, 41
   Political Science 1, 11*, 12, 15, 20, 22*, 25, 30, 35, 45*
   Psychology 1, 2, 3*, 4*, 6, 12*, 33
   Psychology - Counseling 1, 4*, 13
   Sociology 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7*, 10-

E. LIFELONG LEARNING AND SELF DEVELOPMENT
   Complete 3 semester units
   Communication Studies 10
   Early Childhood Development 54, 56*
   Environmental Science 12
   Health 1, 4, 8+, 16
   Fire Science 7*
   Kinesiology 6, 10, 11, 14, 19, 24+
   Nutrition 1, 57, 58
   Any course in: ADPE, ATHL DANC or PEAC (Area E physical activity credit limited to 2 semester units)
   Psychology 8+, 12*
   Psychology-Counseling 7, 10, 11, 20, 23, 30
   Sociology 8+*
   (NOTE: AREA E waived and 3 units granted for students with a DD-214)

F. US History, Constitution and American Ideals (CSU graduation requirement)
   Complete two courses to cover three areas: US-1 and US-2 and US-3. History courses completed in prior years may cover different 'US areas."
   US-1 & 2: Ethnic Studies 42-, 52-, 62-: History 7, 42-, 48, 52-, 62-
   US-1 & 3: Ethnic Studies 43, 53-, 63+: History 8, 49, 53-, 63-
   US-3: History 12; Political Science 12
   US-2 & 3: Political Science 1

NOTE: Every effort has been made to publish accurate information. For the most up-to-date general education and transfer course information, go to the ASSIST website at: www.assist.org.

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