LATTC California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) Certificate 2026-27

The California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) is a singular, uniform pathway for California Community College (CCC) students to fulfill lower-division general education requirements for transfer to both the California State University (CSU) and the University of California (UC).
Disclaimer: Every effort has been taken to ensure that the information below is accurate and timely. However, this information is unofficial and should be checked against the official information found on the ASSIST website: www.assist.org. A minimum of a "C" grade is required for each and every course.
** Courses listed in more than one area may only be used once to fulfill areas 1 thru 6.

Certificate Requirements

1	English Communication 3 courses , one from each group: 1A, 1B and 1C.	9 sem. (12 qtr. units)	Pass along/exam	C	IP	N
1A	*English Composition:* **ENGL** C1000 (*formerly ENGLISH 101);* C1000E *(formerly ENGLISH 101X)*					
1B	*Critical Thinking:* **ENGL** C1001 *(formerly ENGLISH 103)*; **ENGLISH** 102**					
1C	*Oral Communication:* **COMM** C1000 *(formerly COMM 101)*					
2	Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning Complete one course	3 sem. (4qtr. units)	Pass along/exam	C	IP	N
	Mathematics: **MATH** 230, 245, 235, 236, 245, 260, 260S, 261, 261S, 262, 263, 270, 272, 275; PSYCH 091 **STAT** C1000 *(formerly MATH 227),* **STAT** C1000E *(formerly MATH 227S)*					
3	Arts & Humanities Two courses: one course from each group: 3A and 3B	6 sem. (8 qtr. units)	Pass along/exam	C	IP	N
3A	***Arts:*** **ART** 103; **ARTH** C1100 *(formerly Art 101),* C1200 *(formerly ART 102)* ; **MUSIC** 101, 116, 141: **THEATER** 100**					
3B	***Humanities:*** **AFRO AM** 060; **A.S.L.** 002, 003, 004; **CHICANO** 037; **ENGLISH** 102**, 203, 205, 206, 207, 208, 212, 215, 219, 240; **FRENCH** 002†; **HISTORY** 002**; **HUMAN** 001, 002, 060; **LABR ST** 021; **PHILOS** 001, 020; **SPANISH** 002†, 035†, 036†; **THEATER** 100**					
4	Social Sciences Complete two courses from 2 different disciplines	6 sem. (8 qtr. units)	Pass along/exam	C	IP	N
	Social Sciences: **ADM JUS** 001, 004; **AFRO AM** 002**,004**, 005**,019; **ANTHRO** 102, 103, 104, 152; **CHICANO** 004**, 007**, 008**; **CH DEV** 001**; **ECON** C2001(formerly ECON 001), C2002 (formerly ECON 002); **GEOG** 002, 007; **HIST** C1001(formerly HISTORY 011), C1002 (formerly HISTORY 012); **HISTORY** 002**, 041, 042, 043, 044, 052, 086, 087; **LABR ST** 001, 004; **POL SCI** 002, 005, 007; **POLS** C1000 *(formerly POL SCI 001);* **PSYC** C1000 *(formerly PSYCH 001)* : **PSYCH** 013, 014, 029, 032, 041, 069, 074; **SOC** 001, 002, 004, 011, 028, 031,					
5	Physical & Biological Sciences: Complete 2 courses , one from each group: 5A AND 5B. *5C: Lab requirement:* At least one course from either 5A or 5B must have a companion or imbedded lab. Lab courses are designated with L	6 sem. (8 qtr. units)	Pass along/exam	C	IP	N
5A	*Physical Science:* **ASTRON** 001, 005L; **CHEM** 051L, 070L, 101L, 102L, 211L, 212L, 221L: **EARTH** 001; **ENV SCI** 001; **GEOG** 001; **GEOLOGY** 001, 006L: **PHYSICS** 006L, 007L, 011L, 012, 014L, 101L, 102L, 103L					
5B	*Biological Science:* **ANATOMY** 001L; **ANTHRO** 101, 111L; **BIOLOGY** 003L, 005 L, 006L, 007L; **MICRO** 020L; ~~**PHYSIOL** 001L; **PSYCH** 002~~					
5C	*Lab Science:* Any unified or companion course from B1 or B3 above with the Lab notation L					
6	Ethnic Studies Complete one course. Required for new students who began college Fall 2023 or later. Continuing CCC students with prior catalog rights are not required to complete Area F. *Underlined courses from Area 4 satisfy this requirement but may not be double counted.*	3 sem. (4qtr. units)	Pass along/exam	C	IP	N
	AFRO AM 002$_{25}$**, 004$_{22}$**, 005$_{22}$**; **CHICANO** 004$_{24}$**, 007$_{21}$**, 008$_{21}$**					
	(OPTIONAL) CSU GRADUATION REQUIREMENT ONLY IN U.S. HISTORY, CONSTITUTION & AMERICAN IDEALS US-1 U.S. History: **HIST** C1001 *(formerly HISTORY 011)* C1002 *(formerly HISTORY 012);* **HISTORY** 041,042, 043, 044, 052; **LABR ST** 001, 004 US-2 U.S. Government: **POLS** C1000 *(formerly POL SCI 001)*	2 courses	Pass along/exam	C	IP	N
	(Optional) UC Graduation Requirement: Languages 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. See below:		Pass along/exam	C	IP	N
	A S L 001, 002, 003, 004; **FRENCH** 001, 002, **SPANISH** 001, 002, 035, 036	2 years of the same foreign language in high school (official transcripts) Validation by higher level Area 3B course (denoted with †) Foreign language AP Exam of 3 or higher (official scores)				

Counselor (print)	Counselor Signature	Date	◯ Full Cal-GETC cert.

Evaluator (print)	Evaluator Signature	Date	○	Partial (UC transfer only) see restrictions below

AO: DRE 07/2025.

Partial Certification for UC transfers only. Partial Certification is not honored at CSU. Advise with caution. Partial Certification is more appropriate for high unit UC transfer majors, but must still fulfill the following: Partial certification of Cal-GETC allows a maximum of up two courses outstanding; from Cal-GETC areas 3, 4, 5 or 6. Students must complete the local UC GE requirements after transfer.
There is NO Cal-GETC for STEM

California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) FAQS

Q: What is the California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC)
A: *Cal-GETC is a general education pattern which community college transfer students can follow to fulfill lower-division general education requirements for either the UC or CSU systems.* ***This pattern is required to fulfil an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT).*** *Many private/independent universities also recognize it as a viable GE pattern or accept Cal-GETC to meet their general breadth requirements. Meet with a counselor to review CSU's GE for those not following Cal-GETC.*

Q: Is Cal-GETC an admission requirement?
A: *Cal-GETC is required to earn an ADT for all new students starting Fall 2025. Cal-GETC is not an admission requirement, but a consideration. Completing it does not guarantee admission to the campus or program of choice. However, completing the lower-division breadth/general education requirements — whether through Cal-GETC or the campus-specific requirements — may be considered by the campus in selection among qualified applicants.*

Q: Must all transfer students follow the Cal-GETC pattern to transfer to the UC or CSU?
A: *NO. Community college students who are CSU bound have the option to complete the new CSU General Education requirements. The new CSU GE requirement is no longer "certified". Students who are UC bound have the option of completing:*

- *The general education requirements of the specific UC campus*
- *The minimum UC transfer admission requirements*
- *or Cal-GETC.*

Although many UC and CSU campuses will accept full Cal-GETC certification to satisfy lower-division general education requirements, not all UC and CSU programs recommend the Cal-GETC pattern for transfer.
For example, students pursuing majors that require extensive lower-division major preparation (e.g., Engineering, Physics, Chemistry, Computer Science, etc.) may not find Cal-GETC advantageous and advise students to follow the minimum 7-course pattern for UC eligibility (2 courses in English composition; 1 course in Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning; 4 courses chosen from at least 2 of the following subject areas: Arts & Humanities, Social & Behavioral Sciences, and Physical and Biological Sciences). For more information on transfer requirements, please visit the UC Admissions website.

NOTE: UC Berkeley's general education (GE) breadth requirements are distinct from the Cal-GETC (California General Education Transfer Curriculum), and while Cal-GETC can fulfill many UC breadth requirements, it's not directly accepted for admission. UC Berkeley requires completion of a 7-course breadth requirement for the College of Letters & Science and the College of Computing, Data Science & Society, which is separate from Cal-GETC/IGETC. The specific GE breadth requirements can vary slightly by college, so students should consult the relevant college's academic guide or transfer counselor.

Q: Can I use Advanced Placement (AP) exams for Cal-GETC?
A: *YES. AP exams may be applied to CAL-GETC with passing scores. For more details and up-to-date information, see the UC AP Chart.*

NOTE: As AP credit may satisfy general education areas, certain scores must be attained to earn specific course credit for a major. Consult each CSU or UC campus for their AP exam credit policy.

Q: Can I use evaluated foreign college transcripts for Cal-GETC certification?
A: *NO. Courses from foreign institutions cannot be used for Cal-GETC certification, however, international courses can be evaluated after transfer at the receiving CSU or UC campus and applied to campus-specific breadth requirements.*

Q: What is "Cal-GETC Certification" and how do I request it?
A: *Cal-GETC certification is the process by which the community college verifies that a student has completed all the required coursework for the Cal-GETC. Documentation is sent directly to the transfer institution. If Cal-GETC is not certified, students will be subject to the lower-division general education requirements of the UC campus. To request Cal-GETC certification, students should consult with a counselor for proper curricular review and sign-off.*

SUMMARY

1. Minimum of 60 semester or 90 quarter UC transferable units with a minimum 2.4 GPA (non-resident students 2.8 GPA).
2. All courses taken to meet Cal-GETC requirements must be completed with a grade of "C" or better.
    a. A grade of Credit or Pass may be used if the college's policy states it is equivalent to a grade of C or better.
    b. No more than 14 semester (21 quarter) units of the 60 semester (90 quarter) units may be taken pass/fail or credit/no credit.
3. Students are encouraged to meet with a counselor to discuss appropriate G.E. and lower division major requirements for transfer.
4. Cal-GETC certification is governed by the California State University and University of California Chancellors Offices. The Articulation Officer has final review and determination of all course petitions applied toward Cal-GETC.
5. This advisement sheet can be modified or updated from time to time. All UC/CSU transferable courses can be verified at www.assist.org