

California General Education Transfer Curriculum 2025-2026 (Updated April 2025)

Completion of Cal-GETC permits a student to transfer from Merced College to a campus in either the California State University or the University of California system without the need after transfer to take additional, lower division, general education courses to satisfy the campus GE requirements. Consult with your counselor. Students may also fulfill the general education requirements by completing the specific lower division breadth and general education requirements of the school or college of the campus to which the student intends to transfer.

Completion of the Cal-GETC may not satisfy the American Institutions requirement. Courses used to satisfy the American Institutions requirement may be counted to satisfy either a Humanities or a Social and Behavioral Science requirement.

AREA 1 - ENGLISH COMMUNICATION - (9 UNITS TOTAL)
(1A) English Composition [AP accepted] - (3 units)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ENGL-C1000 (formerly ENGL-01A)
(1B) Critical Thinking and Composition - (3 units)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ENGL-01C, ENGL-C1001 (formerly ENGL-13), ENGL-C1001H (formerly ENGL-13H)
(1C) Oral Communication - (3 units)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> COMM-C1000 (formerly COMM-01), COMM-C1000H (formerly COMM-01H)
AREA 2 - MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING - (3 UNITS TOTAL)
Select one course.
(2) Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning [AP accepted] - (3 units)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MATH-02, 02H, 02S, 03, 03S, 04A, 04AS, 11, 15, 15S, 22, 24, 24S, 26, 26S, 27 PSYC-05
STAT-C1000 (formerly MATH-10), STAT-C1000E (formerly MATH-10S)
AREA 3 - ARTS AND HUMANITIES - (6 UNITS TOTAL)
A minimum of two courses (6 semester units) are required with one course from each 3A and 3B subject area.
(3A) Arts [AP & IB accepted] - (3 units)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ART-01, 02, 03, 06, 10, 15 ARTD-07, 08, 40A, 40B ENGL-14 ETHN-11 HUM-21 MUSG-12, 13, 14, 15 PHOT-33 THTR-01
(3B) Humanities [AP & IB accepted] - (3 units)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ANTH-12 ENGL-01B, 04A, 04B, 05, 06A, 06B, 07, 08, 10, 11, 18, 19* ETHN-15*, 18, 19* FREN-03, 04 GERN-02, 03, 04 HIST-03A*, 03B*, 04A, 04B, 05*, 09A*, 09B, 17A*, 17AH*, 17B*, 17BH*, 19*, 29* HUM-01, 01H, 02, 02H, 15* PHIL-01, 01H, 02*, 03, 04, 05, 15 SPAN-02, 03, 04, 10, 11
AREA 4 - SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES - (6 UNITS TOTAL)
A minimum of two courses (6 semester units) is required from two disciplines.
AREA 5 - PHYSICAL & BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES - (7 UNITS TOTAL)
A minimum of two courses (7 semester units) is required with at least one course from 5A and 5B. At least one course must be a lab course listed in "5C Laboratory".

(5A) Physical Science [AP & IB accepted] - (3 units)

- AGPS-05
- ARCH-01
- ASTR-01
- CHEM-02A, 04A
- GEOG-01, 15
- GEOL-01, 02, 03
- PHSC-01, 02
- PHYS-02A, 04A, 10

(5B) Biological Science [AP & IB accepted] - (3 units)

- AGPS-01
- ANTH-01
- BIOL-01, 02, 04A, 06, 09, 16, 18, 20, 32
- PSYC-15*

(5C) Laboratory [AP & IB accepted] - (1 unit)

- AGPS-01, 05
- ANTH-01
- ASTR-01L
- BIOL-01, 02, 04A, 16, 18, 20, 32L
- BIOL-01, 02, 04A, 16, 18, 20, 32L
- CHEM-02A, 04A
- GEOG-01L
- GEOL-01, 02, 03
- PHSC-01L, 02L
- PHYS-02A, 04A

AREA 6- ETHNIC STUDIES - (3 UNITS TOTAL)

A minimum of 3 units are required from the following:

(6) Ethnic Studies - (3 units)

- ENGL-19*
- ETHN-01*, 05*, 12*, 15*, 19*, 20*, 23*
- HIST-20*, 23*
- HUM-15*
- SOC-05*

Minimum Total Cal-GETC Certification - (34 Units Total)**CSU UNITED STATES HISTORY, CONSTITUTION AND AMERICAN IDEALS**

The American Institutions Requirement (AIR) (U.S. History, Constitution, California State and Local Government) as well as requirements for Political and Economic Institutions may be met by completion of one of the following sequences:

- **Sequence A:**
HIST-17A or HIST-17AH (both meet US-1 and US-2)
AND HIST-17B or HIST-17BH (both meet US-1 and US-3)
- **Sequence B:**
HIST-17A or HIST-17AH or HIST-17B or HIST-17BH or HIST-22 (US-1) AND
POLS-C1000 (formerly POSC-01) or POLS-C1000H (formerly POSC-01H) (US-2 AND US-3)

Students satisfy this CSU graduation requirement through coursework in three areas:

US-1: Historical development of American institutions

and ideals US-2: U.S. Constitution and government

US-3: California state and local government Conditions:

- This requirement may be met before or after transfer to the CSU.
- Students who want to fulfill this requirement with courses taken before Fall, 2004 should consult their college catalogs.

- If a course is approved for more than one US Area above, a student may use the course to satisfy all areas listed.
- US-1 may be completed with a score of 3 or higher on Advanced Placement US History.
- US-2 (but not US-3) may be completed with a score of 3 or higher on Advanced Placement US Government & Politics.
- At the discretion of the CSU Campus granting the degree, courses meeting this requirement may also be counted toward certification in general education (Cal-GETC). Check with your counselor for details.

*Courses listed in multiple areas shall not be certified in more than one area, except CSU History Constitution, and American Ideals Graduation Requirement.

Reference: [ASSIST](#) and [Cal-GETC Standards](#)

California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) Certificate (49011.CT)

School of Education

This certificate is designed for students planning to transfer to a California State University (CSU) or University of California (UC) campus. It ensures that the student has met the lower division General Education/Breadth requirements for all CSU and UC campuses.

Program Student Learning Outcomes:

- A. Use language and non-verbal modes of expression appropriate to the audience and purpose.
- B. Use mathematical skills and various aspects of technology appropriate to the task.
- C. Use critical thinking skills to analyze, synthesize, and evaluate ideas and information.
- D. Demonstrate understanding of different cultures and knowledge of historical eras and importance of community involvement.
- E. Demonstrate self-management, maturity, and growth through practices that promote physical, mental, and emotional well-being.

Visit the [Program Mapper](#) for more information on when to take classes and career information.

A minimum of 34 units from the following;

- Students must complete a minimum of 34 units used to satisfy the [California General Education Transfer Curriculum \(Cal-GETC\)](#) Breadth Requirements.
- Students must receive full certification of the Cal-GETC pattern, which requires a minimum grade of "C" or better in each Cal-GETC course.

See the Cal-GETC Transfer Breadth requirement patterns in the Merced College catalog or consult with a Merced College counselor.

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