

# 2023- 2024 Butte College Guide CSU General Education

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Certification of coursework for CSU General Education will be honored provided that a course was on a college's approved CSU General Education list when it was completed. (CSU Review, May 1993)

*Due to the complexity of the requirements and the potential for inappropriate course selection, students are advised to work with a Butte College counselor when developing their educational plan.*

## CSU Admission Requirements

To meet the California State University (CSU) transfer admission requirements, students must have all the following:

- At least 60 transferable units (Transferable courses at Butte College are numbered 1-99)
- A transferable course GPA of at least 2.0
- Within the 60 transferable units, at least 30 units of General Education courses with a grade of C or better in each course.
- The 30 required General Education units must include areas A1, A2, A3, and B4 with a grade of C or better in each.

As admission to CSU campuses becomes more competitive, students need to understand the importance of filing their application during the priority filing period. (Consult a counselor for those dates). Completion of all lower division preparation and a strong grade point average are important to students applying to impacted schools and competitive majors. Applications and application information can be accessed at [www.calstate.edu/apply](http://www.calstate.edu/apply).

## Overview of Requirements for Bachelor's Degree

**General Education (GE)** These courses offer an opportunity to broaden one's awareness, discover academic interests, and develop academic skills. The selection of courses to meet this requirement should be influenced by the major(s) and other programs you wish to consider. The California State University requires 48 units of General Education coursework in most bachelor's degree programs, including a minimum of 39 lower-division (freshman-sophomore level) and a minimum of nine upper-division (junior-senior level) units. CSU students have the option of completing CSU General Education requirements or the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC). **Courses used for CSU GE must appear on the GE list for the academic year the course was taken.**

Students should consult with their Butte College counselor to determine which GE pattern is appropriate for them based on their educational goals and their transfer school's admission requirements.

CSU GE Breadth for STEM (33 units); Students planning to earn an AS-T in Biology may follow the CSU for STEM GE pattern. Defer one lower division course in Area C and one lower-division course in Area D until after transfer. See a counselor for degree planning."

**NOTE: The DD214 may be used to satisfy Area E**

### Major

A major consists of a group of courses that emphasizes a depth of study in a particular field. Majors may require as few as 30 semester units or as many as 100 semester units. Certain majors require courses that also meet CSU GE requirements. Courses generally may be used for both purposes. Individual campuses may have limitations as to the number of courses that can be used in this way. To be as competitive as possible, students should follow the requirements for the campuses and majors they are interested in. See Assist.org for more information. Some high-unit majors have modifications to GE requirements. For more information see the "Majors with Important Modifications to General Education Requirements" section of the CSU Chico catalog at <https://catalog.csuchico.edu/colleges-departments/undergraduate-education/general-education/>. Please note that GE modifications at CSU Chico may not be the same for all CSUs. Careful course planning provides the greatest opportunity for maximizing options within a bachelor's degree program.

### Electives

The number of elective units is dependent on the units required by a student's major. Electives can be used to complete a second major, a minor, credential requirements, or other personal education goals.

### U.S. History, Constitution, and American Ideals

To provide an understanding and knowledge of U.S. history and government, the CSU requires students to complete coursework or pass examinations to demonstrate competency in this area.

**CSU General Education Certification List 2023–2024**  
*Courses listed in more than one Area can only be counted in one Area*

**AREA A — ENGLISH LANGUAGE, COMMUNICATION AND CRITICAL THINKING - Three courses, 9 units, with at least one course each from A1, A2, and A3**

**A1 — Oral Communication**

CMST 2	Public Speaking (3)	CMST 4	Small Group Communication (3)
CMST 2H	Honors Public Speaking (3)		

**A2 — Written Communication**

ENGL 2	Reading and Composition (4)	ENGL 3	Reading and Composition Intensive (4)
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**A3 — Critical Thinking**

CMST 14	Argumentation and Debate (3)	PHIL 6	Introduction to Logic and Critical Thinking (3)
ENGL 11	Communication and Critical Thinking (3)	PHIL 8	Methods of Argument (3)
MATH 7	Formal Logic and Writing (3)		

**AREA B — SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING - At least three courses, 9 semester units minimum, with one course each from B1, B2, and B4. See below for B3 requirement.**

**B1 — Physical Science**

AGS 50°	General Soils (4)	PHYS 22°	College Physics II (4)
CHEM 1°	General Chemistry I (5)	PHYS 41°	Physics for Scientists and Engineers I (4)
CHEM 2°	General Chemistry II (5)	PHYS 42°	Physics for Scientists and Engineers II (4)
CHEM 11°	Introduction to Chemistry (4)	PHYS 43°	Physics for Scientists and Engineers III (4)
CHEM 21°	Organic Chemistry I (5)	PSC 10°	Introduction to Environmental Science (4)
CHEM 22°	Organic Chemistry II (5)	PSC 11°	Earth Science with Lab (4)
CHEM 51°	Elementary Inorganic Chemistry (5)	PSC 12°	Concepts in Physical Science (4)
CHEM 52°	Elementary Organic and Biochemistry (4)	PSC 27	Survey of the Universe (3)
GEOG 2/3°	Physical Geography with Lab (4)	PSC 30°	Introductory Astronomy (4)
GEOL 32°	Physical Geology with Lab (4)	PSC 30H°	Honors Introductory Astronomy (4)
GEOL 34°	Historical Geology with Lab (4)	PSC 50/51°	Introduction to Weather with Lab (4)
PHYS 10/11°	Concepts of Physics with Lab (4)	PSC 53	Natural Disasters and Hazards (3)
PHYS 21°	College Physics I (4)		

**B2 — Life Science**

AGS 20°	Plant Science (3)	BIOL 9H	Honors Current Issues in Biology (3)
AGS 40°	Introduction to Animal Science (3)	BIOL 10°	Survey of Human Systems (4)
ANTH 2	Physical Anthropology (3)	BIOL 15°	Introduction to Microbiology (4)
ANTH 2H	Honors Physical Anthropology (3)	BIOL 20°	Human Anatomy (4)
BIOL 1°	Introduction to Biology (4)	BIOL 21°	Human Physiology (4)
BIOL 2	Introduction to Human Biology (3)	BIOL 41°	Cell and Molecular Biology (5)
BIOL 5°	Ecology and Field Biology (4)	BIOL 42°	Organismal Biology (5)
BIOL 7	Sustaining Life on Earth (3)	BIOL 43°	Ecology and Evolution (5)
BIOL 9	Current Issues in Biology (3)	PSY 3	Introduction to Biological Psychology (3)

**B3 — Laboratory Activity**

The B3 requirement is met with the completion of a laboratory course or laboratory component from B1 or B2. Courses that meet this requirement are marked with a "°". When listed next to a lecture course, the adjoining laboratory course must be taken for certification of the B3 area.

**B4 — Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning**

ENGR 2	Programming and Problem-Solving in MATLAB (3) (Eff: FA23)	MATH 18s	Introduction to Statistics with Support (4)
MATH 4	Concepts in Mathematics for Teachers I (3)	MATH 20	Trigonometry (3)
MATH 4s	Concepts in Mathematics for Teachers I with Support (3) (Eff: FA23)	MATH 26	College Algebra (4)
MATH 5	Concepts in Mathematics for Teachers II (4)	MATH 26s	College Algebra with Support (4) (Eff: FA23)
MATH 11	Mathematics for Liberal Arts (3)	MATH 30	Analytic Geometry and Calculus I (5)
MATH 12	Mathematics for Business Decisions (Finite Mathematics) (3)	MATH 31	Analytic Geometry and Calculus II (4)
MATH 12s	Mathematics for Business Decisions (Finite Mathematics) with Support (3) (Eff: FA23)	MATH 32	Analytic Geometry and Calculus III (4)
MATH 13	Survey of Calculus (4)	MATH 40	Differential Equations (4)
MATH 13s	Survey of Calculus with Support (4) (Eff: FA23)	MATH 42	Linear Algebra (3)
MATH 18	Introduction to Statistics (4)		

**AREA C — ARTS AND HUMANITIES - Three courses, 9 semester units with at least one course each in C1 and C2, and the third course from C1 or C2.**

**C1 — Arts (Arts, Cinema, Dance, Music, Theater)**

ART 1	Art Appreciation (3)**	DRAM 2	Theatre Arts Appreciation (3)
ART 2	Prehistoric to Gothic Art History Survey (3)	DRAM 8	Principles of Acting I (3)
ART 2H	Honors Prehistoric to Gothic Art History Survey (3)	MUS 1	Music Appreciation (3)
ART 3	Asian Art History Survey (3)**	MUS 5	American Popular Music (3)
ART 4	Renaissance in Contemporary Art History Survey (3)	MUS 6	Women and Music (3)
ART 4H	Honors Renaissance in Contemporary Art History Survey (3)	MUS 7	Jazz Appreciation (3)
ART 5	1800 to Present Art History Survey (3)	MUS 9	World Music (3)**
ART 6	African, Oceanic, and Native American Art History Survey (3)**	PHO 1	History of Photography (3)
CMST 6	Oral Interpretation (3)	RTVF 15	Introduction to Film (3)

**C2 — Humanities (Literature, Philosophy, Languages other than English)**

ASL 1	American Sign Language I (4)	HIST 5	World History since 1500 (3)**
ASL 2	American Sign Language II (4)	HIST 8	United States History to 1877 (3)
ASL 3	American Sign Language III (4)	HIST 10	United States History-1877 to Present (3)
ASL 4	American Sign Language IV (4)	HIST 18	Multicultural History of the United States (3)*
CHIN 1	First Semester Chinese (4)	HIST 26	Men and Women in American History (3)
CHIN 2	Second Semester Chinese (4)	HIST 30	History of the African American (3)*
ECON 20	Economic History of the U.S. (3)	HUM 17	Comparative European Studies (3)
ECON 20H	Honors Economic History of the U.S. (3)	HUM 22	Greco-Roman Cultures (3)

ENGL 4	Introduction to Literature (3)	ITAL 1	First Semester Italian (4)
ENGL 6	Creative Writing (3)	ITAL 2	Second Semester Italian (4)
ENGL 8	British Literature I (3)	JPN 1	First Semester Japanese (4)
ENGL 10	British Literature II (3)	JPN 2	Second Semester Japanese (4)
ENGL 14	U.S. Literature I (3)	JPN 3	Third Semester Japanese (4)
ENGL 15	Film as Literature (3)	JPN 4	Fourth Semester Japanese (4)
ENGL 16	U.S. Literature II (3)	LATN 1	First Semester Latin (4)
ENGL 20	Introduction to Poetry (3)	LATN 2	Second Semester Latin (4)
ENGL 25	Introduction to Shakespeare (3)	PHIL 2	Introduction to Philosophy (3)
ENGL 26	Queer Film and Literature (3)*	PHIL 4	Introduction to Ethics and the Good Life (3) (Eff: FA21)
ENGL 35	Cross-Cultural Film and Literature (3)**	PHIL 10	History of Ancient Philosophy (3)
ENGL 47	Native American Literature (3)*	PHIL 16	Western Religions (3)
ENGL 53H	Honors World Literature (3)**	PHIL 18	Eastern Religions (3)**
FREN 1	First Semester French (4)	RTVF 13	Exploring American Television (3)
FREN 2	Second Semester French (4)	SPAN 1	First Semester Spanish (4)
GERM 1	First Semester German (4)	SPAN 2	Second Semester Spanish (4)
GERM 2	Second Semester German (4)	SPAN 3	Third Semester Spanish (4)
GERM 3	Third Semester German (4)	SPAN 4	Fourth Semester Spanish (4)
GERM 4	Fourth Semester German (4)	SPAN 14	Hispanic Short Stories (3)
HIST 3	World History to 1500 (3)**	SPAN 16	Hispanic Film (3)
<b>AREA D— SOCIAL SCIENCES - Two courses, 6 semester units</b>			
AJ 1	Criminology (3)	HIST 20	Political History of the Middle East (3)**
AB 22	Agricultural Economics (3) (Eff: FA21)	HIST 30	History of the African American (3)*
AGS 10	World Food and Hunger Issues (3)**	HUM 17	Comparative European Studies (3)
ASL 10	Introduction to American Deaf Culture (3) (Eff: FA19)	MCGS 8	Introduction to Multicultural and Gender Studies (3)
ANTH 4	Cultural Anthropology (3)**	MCGS 10	Introduction to Women's Studies (3)*
ANTH 4H	Honors Cultural Anthropology (3)**	MCGS 32	Introduction to African American Studies (3)
ANTH 13	Magic, Witchcraft and Religion (3)**	MCGS 36	Introduction to Chicano American Studies (3)
ANTH 14	Language and Culture (3)	MCGS 38	Introduction to Asian American Studies (3)
ANTH 16	Archeology and Ancient Societies (3)**	NR 26	Environmental World (3)
ANTH 18	World Cultures (3)**	POS 2	United States Government (3)
ANTH 32	Native Americans (3)*	POS 3	Comparative Politics (3)
ANTH 33	Ancient Mesoamerica (3)**	POS 12	California State and Local Government (3)
ANTH 34	Native Americans Today (3)*	POS 16	Vital Political Problems (3)
CDF 12	Child, Family and Community (3)	POS 18	International Relations (3)
CDF 14	Child Growth and Development (3)*	PSY 1	Principles of Psychology (3)
CMST 9	Intercultural Communication (3)*	PSY 1H	Honors Principles of Psychology (3)
CMST 10	Interpersonal Communication (3)	PSY 6	Abnormal Psychology (3)
CMST 13	Gender and Communication (3)	PSY 7	Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology (3)
ECON 2	Principles of Macroeconomics (3)	PSY 15	Lifespan Psychology (3)
ECON 4	Principles of Microeconomics (3)	PSY 16	Psychology of Women (3)
ECON 20	Economic History of the U.S. (3)	PSY 41	Socio-Cultural Context of Psychological Development (3)*
ECON 20H	Honors Economic History of the U.S. (3)	RTVF 12	Mass Media and Society (3)
ECON 25	Introduction to Economics (3)	SOC 2	Principles of Sociology (3)
GEOG 4	Cultural Geography (3)**	SOC 4	Modern Social Problems (3)
GEOG 8	World Regional Geography (3)**	SOC 5	Our Sustainable Future (3)
GEOG 10	Geography of California (3)*	SOC 10	Introduction to Crime and Society (3)
GEOG 12	The American West (3)	SOC 14	Sociology of Gender (3)
HIST 3	World History to 1500 (3)**	SOC 20	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity (3)*
HIST 5	World History since 1500 (3)**	SOC 30	Sociology of Inequality (3)*
HIST 18	Multicultural History of the United States (3)*	SOC 30H	Honors Sociology of Inequality (3)*
<b>AREA E — LIFELONG LEARNING AND SELF-DEVELOPMENT - One course, 3 semester units</b>			
BUS 62	Money & Happiness: Cultural, Psychological, and Economic Factors (3)	LM 40	Life Management (3)
CDF 14	Child Growth and Development (3)* (Eff: FA19)	POS 92	Exploring Leadership (3)
CLP 30	Career Life Planning (3)	PSY 15	Lifespan Psychology (3)
CSL 20	College & Life Success (3)	PSY 20	Personal and Social Growth and Wellness (3)
ENGL 31	Existential Literature: A Literary Approach to Self Integration (3)	PSY 34	Eastern Psychology: Traditions and Practices (3)**
FN 2	Nutrition (3)	PSY 36	Psychology of Meditation and Mindfulness (3)
FN 8	Maternal and Child Nutrition (3)	SOC 8	Introduction to Marriage, Family and Intimate Relationships (3)
HLTH 2	Health and Wellness (3)	SOC 14	Sociology of Gender (3)
HLTH 10	Leisure for Healthy Living (3)		
<b>AREA F — ETHNIC STUDIES - One course, 3 semester units</b>			
MCGS 32	Introduction to African American Studies (3) (Eff: FA21)	MCGS 38	Introduction to Asian American Studies (3) (Eff: FA21)
MCGS 36	Introduction to Chicano American Studies (3) (Eff: FA21)		
<b>U.S. HISTORY, CONSTITUTION, AND AMERICAN IDEALS - One course from each category</b>			
<b>Category 1 — U.S. History</b> (course selected can also count in approved GE area)			
ECON 20	Economic History of the U.S. (3)	HIST 10	United States History-1877 to Present (3)
ECON 20H	Honors Economic History of the U.S. (3)	HIST 18	Multicultural History of the United States (3)* (Eff: FA19)
HIST 8	United States History to 1877 (3)	HIST 26	Men and Women in American History (3)
<b>Category 2 — Government</b> (course selected can also count in Category D)			
POS 2	United States Government (3)	POS 12	California State and Local Government (3)

**NOTE: CSU Chico requires all students to complete one course each in the U.S. Diversity (\*) and Global Cultures (\*\*). These courses also may meet General Education requirements. Courses listed in more than one Area can only be counted in one Area.**

