General Education Courses

By Category

This is a list of courses that will count towards your General Education (GE) requirements if you take them this semester. Use the List of Classes, starting on page LC-1, to choose specific classes from each category.

All students:
Go to Know Your General Education Requirements on page 41 and the category headings in the following lists to find out which courses you need to take.

Freshmen:
You must complete the Foundation requirements within the first 36 baccalaureate units at CSULB. (See page 42) These courses are a prerequisite to all GE courses at the 200 or higher level.
You may use either an Explorations course or a Capstone course to meet a category requirement and/or a Human Diversity or Global Issues requirement.

Transfer students:
If you are GE certified, you can choose Capstone courses from any category. One of the Capstone courses can be used to meet the Human Diversity requirement (▲). If you still need to meet the Global Issues requirement, choose one course designated (●).

(●) Courses that meet the Human Diversity requirement (catalog years 1993-1994 and later)
(▲) Courses that meet the Capstone requirement (catalog years 1999-2000 and later)
(●) Courses that meet the Global Issues requirement (catalog years 1999-2000 and later)

Apply each GE class you take to one category only, even when the course is listed under more than one category.

Note:
UNIV 300I and 301I are approved General Education courses. Specific GE categories were not known at the time of publication. See List of Classes, page LC-85

Category A:
Communication in the English Language and Critical Thinking

Complete 9 units:
1. Complete one of the following courses in written English:
   - Asian American Studies 100
   - Black Studies 100
   - Chicano & Latino Studies 104
   - English 100

2. Complete one of the following courses in oral or oral and written communication.
   Purpose: to enhance your understanding of the communication process and to increase your experience in communication.
   - Communication Studies 110, 130, 132, 171, 331, 335, 441▲

3. Complete one of the following courses in critical thinking.
   Purpose: to develop your ability to reason clearly and logically and to analyze the thinking of other people.
   - Asian Studies 190
   - Communication Studies 131, 131W
   - Comparative Literature and Classics 161
   - English 102
   - History 101
   - Philosophy 170
   - Psychology 130
   - University Honors Program 100

REMEMBER . . .
A class will count towards your general education requirement only if it appears in the list of General Education Courses in the Schedule of Classes for the semester in which you take that class.
Category B: Physical Universe

Complete 12 units:

1. **Complete at least 6 units** of inquiry into the physical universe and its life forms:
   a) **Complete one** of the following courses in the life sciences with laboratory:
      - Biology 153, 200, 200L, 205, 207, 211A, 211C
      - Microbiology 200
   b) **Complete one** of the following courses in the physical sciences with laboratory:
      - Astronomy 100 with 100L
      - Chemistry 100, 111A, 302
      - Geology 102 with 104 or 105, 160 with 160L
      - Physical Science 112
      - Physics 100A, 100B, 151, 152

2. **Complete at least 3 units** from the following courses in mathematics.
   **Purpose:** to move beyond basic computation and enhance your understanding of mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning.
   - Mathematics 103, 112, 114, 115, 117, 119A, 122, 123
   - Mathematics Education 110

3. **Complete another 3 units** from B1, B2, or from the following:
   - Anthropology 110
   - Astronomy 100, 370
   - Biology 100
   - Chemistry 202
   - Engineering 302, 340, 370
   - Geography 140, 150
   - Geology 102, 160, 163, 190, 191, 300
   - History 400
   - Microbiology 101, 300, 303
   - Natural Science 309, 375
   - Physical Science 331
   - Psychology 141
   - Women’s Studies 309

Category C: Humanities and the Arts

Complete 12 units:

1. **Complete at least 3 units** from the following fine arts courses:
   - Art 100, 110
   - Art History 113A, 113B, 115B, 115C, 330
   - Asian American Studies 403
   - Black Studies 155, 160, 363
   - Chicano Latino Studies 403
   - Comparative Literature 250, 251, 324, 412
   - Dance 101, 102, 110, 373, 435
   - Design 367, 368, 370
   - Educational Psychology 373
   - English 205, 206
   - Film and Electronic Arts 310
   - Music 190, 290, 363, 364
   - 393, 468, 490
   - Theatre Arts 113, 122, 324, 425, 427

2. **Complete at least 6 units** from at least two of the following areas: Literature, Philosophy, and Foreign Languages.
   a) Literature
      - American Indian Studies 340
      - Asian American Studies 260
      - Black Studies 140, 205, 346
      - Chicano & Latino Studies 150, 450
      - Chinese 370
      - Classics 124, 135, 310, 410, 421
      - Comparative Literature 100, 101, 103, 232, 234, 236, 310, 312, 320, 342, 350, 412, 415, 422
      - German 315, 316
      - History 310, 312, 407
      - Japanese 370
      - Journalism 315
      - Religious Studies 302
      - Romance, German, Russian Languages & Literature 346, 450
      - Women’s Studies 318, 382
b) Philosophy
Asian American Studies 380
Black Studies 498\textbullet
Classics 310\textbullet, 410\textbullet
History 371
Philosophy 100, 100W, 160, 160W,
203, 204, 306, 307, 330, 351, 352,
361, 362\textbullet, 381, 401\textbullet, 403, 405I,
451\textbullet, 452\textbullet, 461\textbullet
Religious Studies 212, 301, 302\textbullet, 308\textbullet,
315\textbullet, 331\textbullet, 341\textbullet, 343, 344, 351, 352\textbullet, 353\textbullet, 383\textbullet,
391\textbullet, 472\textbullet, 482\textbullet, 485

\textbf{Category D:}
\textbf{Social and Behavioral Sciences and Their Historical Backgrounds}

\textbf{Complete 15 units:}

1. Citizenship
   a) Complete 3 units from the following courses in U.S. History:
      History 172, 173, 300 or both History 162A and 162B
   b) Complete 3 units from the following courses in U.S. Constitution and American Ideals:
      Political Science 100, 391
      (Political Science 326 - State Government - required of all students who have met the U.S. Constitution requirement but who must meet the California State and Local Government requirement)

2. Additional Social and Behavioral Sciences
   \textbf{Complete at least 9 units from the following courses in at least two disciplines.}
   Students under the 1985 and 1993 GE patterns must complete at least 3 units from the following courses designated as a Global Issues course (\textbullet). All courses with a \textbullet in this category meet the category D.2.a. requirement for students following the 1985 and 1993 GE patterns.
   - American Indian Studies 105, 106, 319\textbullet
   - Anthropology 120\textbullet, 140, 170, 305\textbullet
   - Art History 330\textbullet
   - Asian American Studies 200\textbullet, 220, 221, 319\textbullet, 335\textbullet
   - Asian Studies 300\textbullet, 301\textbullet, 310\textbullet
   - Criminal Justice 101
   - Chicano & Latino Studies 101, 105, 300, 319\textbullet, 335\textbullet, 350, 390\textbullet, 450\textbullet, 470\textbullet
   - Classics 110
   - Comparative Literature 314\textbullet, 315\textbullet
   - College of Liberal Arts 314\textbullet, 315\textbullet
   - Economics 100, 101, 300, 306\textbullet
   - 309\textbullet, 360\textbullet, 361\textbullet, 365\textbullet, 366\textbullet, 368\textbullet, 369\textbullet, 370\textbullet
   - Educational Psychology 360\textbullet, 373\textbullet
   - Engineering 302\textbullet, 375\textbullet
   - Engineering 302\textbullet, 375\textbullet
   - Family & Consumer Sciences 309\textbullet, 312\textbullet, 319\textbullet, 321\textbullet, 450\textbullet
   - Film and Electronic Arts 316
   - Finance 309\textbullet
   - Film and Electronic Arts 316
For Students Following the 1985 and 1993 GE Patterns

Your GE pattern requires that you take a course from Category D2a. There are two ways to identify courses that meet that requirement:

- Look for courses under Category D2 in the General Education Courses By Category reference list that have (●).
- Look for classes with a D2 Global designation in the List of Classes, LC-1 - LC-85.

Category E:

Self-Integration

Complete 3 units from the following self-integration classes.

Purpose: to enhance your understanding of the human being as an integrated physiological, social, and psychological organism.

- Anthropology 150, 315 ●, 353
- Asian American Studies 370
- Biology 309 ▲
- Black Studies 410
- Chicano & Latino Studies 470 ▲
- Communication Studies 411 ▲, 412
- Communicative Disorders 330
- Dance 373 ▲
- Economics 309 ▲
- Educational Psychology 191, 357, 360 ▲, 373 ▲
- Engineering 375 ▲
- Family & Consumer Sciences 132, 223, 251, 309 ▲, 312 ▲, 319 ▲
- Finance 309 ▲
- Gerontology 400 ▲
- Health Care Administration 470 ▲
- Health Science 210, 420 ▲, 425 ▲, 427
- History 309 ▲
- Human Development 180, 300 ▲, 307 ▲, 357 ▲
- Kinesiology & Physical Education 157, 338 ▲, 339 ▲
- Linguistics 363 ▲
- College of Natural Sciences 308 ▲
- Nursing 481 ▲
- Occupational Studies 388 ▲
- Psychology 150, 339 ▲
- Recreation 141
- Social Work 330, 331
- Sociology 100, 142, 371 ▲, 318 ▲, 335 ▲, 340, 346 ●, 350 ●, 372 ▲, 374 ▲, 376 ▲, 410 ▲, 441 ▲, 449 ▲, 466 ●
- Urban Studies 301 ▲

Reference Lists

GE Courses: by Category

Human Diversity course

Capstone course

Global Issues course