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. You may use the same course to meet both a category requirement and the 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 (G).

(●) Courses that meet the Human Diversity requirement (catalog years 1993-1994 and later)

(G) 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-79.

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 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, 441I

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
   - Black Studies 150
   - Communication Studies 131
   - Comparative World Literature 161
   - English 102
   - History 101
   - Philosophy 170
   - Political Science 105
   - Psychology 130
   - University Honors Program 100
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, 370I
   - Biology 100
   - Chemistry 202
   - Engineering 302IA, 340A, 370IA
   - Geography 140, 150
   - Geology 102, 160, 163, 190, 191, 300IA
   - History 400IA
   - Microbiology 101, 300IA, 303
   - Natural Sciences 309IA, 375IA
   - Physical Science 331
   - Psychology 141
   - Women's Studies 309IA

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, 330I
   - Asian American Studies 403
   - Black Studies 155, 160, 255, 363
   - Chicano Latino Studies 403
   - Comparative World Literature 250, 251, 324IA, 412IA
   - Dance 101, 102, 103, 104, 110, 373IA, 435IA
   - Design 367, 368, 370
   - Educational Psychology 373IA
   - English 205, 206
   - Film and Electronic Arts 310
   - Music 190, 290, 363IA, 364IA, 393, 468IA, 490IA
   - Theatre Arts 113, 122, 324IA, 425IA, 427IA

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, 343IA, 343IB, 346IA
      - Chicano & Latino Studies 150, 450IA
      - Chinese 370
      - Classics 100, 135, 191, 310IA, 410IA, 421IA
      - Comparative World Literature 100, 101, 103IA, 104IA, 232, 310IA, 312IA, 320IA, 334, 336, 342, 350IA, 412IA, 414IA, 415IA, 422IA
      - German 415, 416
      - History 310IA, 312IA, 346IA, 407IA, 414IA
      - Japanese 370
      - Journalism 315
      - Religious Studies 302IA
      - Romance, German, Russian Languages & Literature 346IA, 450IA
      - Women's Studies 318IA, 382
b) Philosophy
Asian American Studies 380
Black Studies 498I
Classics 310I, 410I
History 371
Psychology 382I

Category D:
Social and Behavioral Sciences and Their Historical Backgrounds

Complete 15 units:

1. Citizenship
   a) Complete 3 units from the following courses in U.S. History:
      History 172, 173, 300
   b) Complete 3 units from the following courses in U.S. Constitution and American Ideals:
      Political Science 100, 301
      (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
   Complete at least 9 units from the following courses in at least two disciplines.
   a) Complete 3 units from the following courses designated as a Global Issues course (G).
      All courses with a G 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
      Anthropology 120, 140, 170, 305I, 307I, 311I, 313, 314I, 328I, 412I, 426I
      Art History 330I
      Asian American Studies 200I, 220, 221, 319I, 335I
      Asian Studies 300I, 301I, 310I, 393I, 495I
      Black Studies 100, 120, 121, 200I, 201I, 304, 319I, 332, 337, 400, 430I
      Chicano & Latino Studies 100, 101, 105, 300, 319I, 335I, 350, 390I, 450I, 470I
      Classics 110
      College of Liberal Arts 314I, 315I
      Comparative World Literature 310I, 312I, 414I
      Criminal Justice 101
      Dance 373I
      Educational Psychology 360I, 373I
      Engineering 302I, 375I
      Environmental Science & Policy 300I
      Family & Consumer Sciences 228I, 309I, 312I, 319I, 321I, 450I
      Film and Electronic Arts 316
      Finance 309I

   b) Complete 3 units from the following courses in U.S. History:
      History 172, 173, 300

3. Complete another 3 units from C1, C2, or from the following:

   a) Complete 3 units from the following courses in U.S. History:
      History 172, 173, 300
   b) Complete 3 units from the following courses in U.S. Constitution and American Ideals:
      Political Science 100, 301
      (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)

   a) Complete 3 units from the following courses designated as a Global Issues course (G).
      All courses with a G 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
      Anthropology 120, 140, 170, 305I, 307I, 311I, 313, 314I, 328I, 412I, 426I
      Art History 330I
      Asian American Studies 200I, 220, 221, 319I, 335I
      Asian Studies 300I, 301I, 310I, 393I, 495I
      Black Studies 100, 120, 121, 200I, 201I, 304, 319I, 332, 337, 400, 430I
      Chicano & Latino Studies 100, 101, 105, 300, 319I, 335I, 350, 390I, 450I, 470I
      Classics 110
      College of Liberal Arts 314I, 315I
      Comparative World Literature 310I, 312I, 414I
      Criminal Justice 101
      Dance 373I
      Educational Psychology 360I, 373I
      Engineering 302I, 375I
      Environmental Science & Policy 300I
      Family & Consumer Sciences 228I, 309I, 312I, 319I, 321I, 450I
      Film and Electronic Arts 316
      Finance 309I

German 380A

Gerontology 400A

Health Care Administration 202, 422A, 470A

Health Science 420A


Human Development 180, 300A, 307A, 357A*

International Studies 317A, 318A, 319A, 355A

Journalism 110, 301A

Kinesiology & Physical Education 156, 332A, 338A, 339A

Linguistics 101

Military Science 101

Natural Sciences 309A

Nursing 481A

Occupational Studies 417A, 457A


Recreation 141


Romance, German, Russian

Languages and Literature 346A, 450A

Social Work 220, 350, 351, 491


Urban Studies 301A


Reference Lists

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 309A
Black Studies 410
Communication Studies 411A, 412
Communicative Disorders 330
Dance 373A
Economics 309A
Educational Psychology 191, 357, 360A, 373A
Engineering 375A
Family & Consumer Sciences 132, 223, 226, 251, 309A, 312A, 319A
Finance 309A
Gerontology 400A
Health Science 210, 420A, 425A, 427
History 309A
Human Development 180, 300A, 307A, 357A*
Kinesiology & Physical Education 157, 338A, 339A

Linguistics 363A
Natural Sciences 308A
Nursing 481A

Occupational Studies 388A
Psychology 150, 339A
Recreation 220, 340A
Social Work 330, 331

Sociology 461A, 462, 466

University Honors Program 150

Women's Studies 101, 338A

For Students Following the 1985 and 1993 GE Patterns

Your GE pattern requires that you take a course from Category D.2.a. 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-80.