

2023-2024 GENERAL EDUCATION (G.E.) REQUIREMENTS

NOTES: A minimum of 48 G.E. units are required. All classes are three or more semester units. Engineering and Liberal Studies majors complete a different G.E. Pattern—consult department advisor. GE courses may change annually. It is recommended to run your Degree Progress Report (DPR) before and after you register to ensure courses you are registered for satisfy the intended GE Area(s).

◆ FOUNDATION

Four courses: One in A1, one in A2, one in A3, & one in B4 for a minimum of 12 units.
FOUNDATION courses must be satisfied with a minimum of “C” grade.

Area A - Fundamental Skills and Knowledge

A1 Oral Communication: Communication 3, 7, 8

A2 Written Communication: (Prerequisite for English 5B is passing 5A) English 5B, 10

A3 Critical Thinking: Africana Studies 20; Anthropology 30; Asian American Studies 88; Chicano & Latin American Studies 30; College of Science & Math 10; Communication 5; Computer Science 1; Geography 25; Interdisciplinary 50; Natural Science 4; Philosophy 25, 45; Sociology 3, 3S; Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies 12

B4 Quantitative Reasoning: Co-requisite or prerequisite Math courses may be required. Check with advisors) Criminology 50; Decision Sciences 71, 72; Mathematics 6, 11, 11L, 45, 45L, 70, 75, 75A; Psychology 42; Public Health 92

Course/
Units/Grade

A1 _____

A2 _____

A3 _____

B4 _____

◆ BREADTH

Area B - Physical Universe and Its Life Forms

Two courses: One in B1 and one in B2—see above for B4

B1 Physical Sciences: (Prerequisite: Completion of B4) Chemistry 1A & 1AL, 3A, 10; Earth & Environmental Sciences 1, 1V, 4, 5; Geography 5*, 7*;
Physical Science 21; Physics 2A, 4A & 4AL, 10

B2 Life Sciences: Biology 1A, 10, 11, 12

B3 Laboratory Component: B1 or B2 must have a lab (*Courses do not have a lab component.)

B1 _____

B2 _____

B3 _____

Area C - Arts and Humanities

Three courses: One in C1, one in C2, and a third from C1 or C2

C1 Arts: Armenian Studies 20; Art 1, 20, 40, 50; Art History 10, 11, 12; Chicano & Latin American Studies 9; Drama 22, 62; English 41, 43, 44; Media, Communications & Journalism 9; Music 9 (not for music majors), 9A, 74, 75

C2 Humanities: Arabic 1A, 1B; Armenian 1A, 1B, 2A; Chinese 1A, 1B; Communicative Sciences & Deaf Studies 90, 92; English 20, 30; French 1B, 2A, 2B; German 1B, 2A, 2B; Greek 1A, 1B; Hebrew 1A; Hmong 1A, 1B; Humanities 10, 11, 15, 20; Italian 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B; Japanese 1A, 1B; Latin 1A, 1B; Linguistics 10; Persian 1A, 1B; Philosophy 1, 2, 10, 20; Portuguese 1A, 1B; Spanish 1B, 2A, 2B, 3, 4A, 4B

C1 _____

C2 _____

C1 or
C2 _____

Area D - Social, Political & Economic Institutions & Behavior, Historical Background

One course in each sub-area (Prerequisite: GE Foundation A2 for students in English college-readiness Category III and IV)

D1 American History: History 11, 12

D2 Social Science: Agricultural Business 1; American Indian Studies 50; Anthropology 2, 3; Armenian Studies 10; Asian American Studies 7; Child & Family Science 31; City & Regional Planning 80; Communicative Sciences & Deaf Studies 98; Criminology 10; Economics 25, 40, 50; Geography 2, 4; History 20, 21; Industrial Technology 20; Jewish studies 10; Media, Communications & Journalism 1; Middle East Studies 10; Political Science 1; Psychology 10; Sociology 1 or 1S; Women’s, Gender, & Sexuality Studies 10, 11

D1 _____

D2 _____

Area E - Lifelong Understanding & Self-Development One Course

Animal Science 67; Art 13; Asian American Studies 8; Child & Family Science 38, 39; College of Science & Math 15; Dance 16, 70; Drama 32; Finance 30; Gerontology 10S, 18, 111; Kinesiology 32 & concurrent enrollment in any KAC course; Linguistics 30, Nutrition 53; Peace and Conflict Studies 110; Psychology 61; Public Health 90, 91, 110; Recreation Administration 80, University 1; Women’s, Gender, & Sexuality Studies 18

E _____

Area F - Ethnic Studies One Course

Africana Studies 10, 15, 27, 40, 68; American Indian Studies 5, 10, 103; Anthropology 120, 175; Asian American Studies 10, 15, 20, 50, 108, 120, 143, 175, 185; Chicano & Latin American Studies 3, 5, 120, 128, 163; Media, Communications & Journalism 6; Philosophy 108

F _____

UPPER DIVISION G.E. CONSISTS OF 9 UNITS

IB, IC, & ID courses can be taken no sooner than the term in which 60 units of coursework are completed.

◆ INTEGRATION Three upper division—one in each area

IB Physical Universe & Its Life Forms: (Prerequisite: Completion of FOUNDATION and Area B)

Anthropology 161; Chemistry 170; Civil Engineering 121; Computer Science 100; Earth & Environmental Sciences 102, 112, 167, 168; Geography 115, 128, 129; Natural Science 115, 120, 121, 125; Physical Science 131, 168; Physics 100; Plant Science 105; Public Health 161; Sociology 158

IB _____

IC Arts & Humanities: (Prerequisite: Completion of FOUNDATION and Area C)

Africana Studies 129; Armenian 148; Art 102; Art History 140; Arts & Humanity 105; Asian American Studies 148; Chicano & Latin American Studies 130; Construction Management 145; Dance 171; Drama 163; English 101, 102, 103, 112, 113, 114, 174; French 109, 124, 125, 149; Humanities 104, 108, 110, 118, 120, 129; Interdisciplinary Art Studies 108; Italian 110, 130; Linguistics 115, 130, 138; Media, Communications, & Journalism 183; Music 170A, 171, 187; Philosophy 120, 150, 151; Portuguese 101, 102, 103; Spanish 125, 129; Women’s, Gender, & Sexuality Studies 110, 111

IC _____

ID Social, Political & Economic Institutions & Behavior, Historical Background: (Prerequisite: Completion of FOUNDATION, Area D, and

PLSI 2) Africana Studies 144; Agricultural Business 155; Anthropology 116W, 145; Art History 143; Asian American Studies 111, 121; Chicano & Latin American Studies 114, 115; City & Regional Planning 125; Civil Engineering 161; Construction Management 124; Criminology 101, 120, 120S; Curriculum & Instruction 152; Earth & Environmental Sciences 115S; Economics 146, 167, 176, 183; Forensic Behavioral Sciences 153; Geography 133, 173; Gerontology 100; History 101, 154; Jewish Studies 154; Kinesiology 111; Media, Communications & Journalism 101, 175, 178, 180; Peace & Conflict Studies 100; Social Science 110; Sociology 131, 143, 163; Women’s, Gender, & Sexuality Studies 101, 124, 149

ID _____

Total Units _____

Graduation Requirements

PLANNING YOUR DEGREE

- Meet with an Academic Counselor to complete a My Degree Plan (roadmap)
- Units per semester to graduate:
4 years: 15 units x 8 semesters = 120 units
5 years: 12 units x 10 semesters = 120 units
- Complete your US and California Government requirement during your sophomore year
- Complete your upper-division writing skills during your junior year (60 - 90 units)
- Complete your Application for Degree and pay the fee during the first four weeks of your final semester

- ◆ 120 unit minimum—comprised of:
 - 48 General Education (or modified version per Major)
 - Major
 - Electives if needed to reach 120 units (minor/certificate/other)

- ◆ 2.00 GPA in:
 - Major
 - Campus units
 - Cumulative units

◆ Specific course requirements:

- English Composition (GE Area A2—English 5A & 5B, 10 or equivalent)
- US History (GE Area D1—History 11, 12 or equivalent)
- US and California Government

Courses: Political Science 2, 102 (to fulfill California portion of the requirement only) or equivalent

- Multicultural/International course (M/I)

Courses: Africana Studies 150, 164; Anthropology 105W, 120, 123, 125; Art History 141, 142; Asian American 110/110S; Business Administration 104; Chicano & Latin American Studies 160, 170; Child & Family Science 134; Capstone 177, 188S; Communication 164; Communicative Sciences & Deaf Studies 139; Economics 181; Geography 167, 174; Gerontology 161; History 186; Humanities 105, 140; Italian 100; Linguistics 147; Media, Communications & Journalism 176, 179; Marketing 100S; Music 171A; Nursing 141, 141LS; Public Health 104, 128S; Philosophy 131, 132; Political Science 120; Recreation Administration 130; Sociology 111, 142; Social Science 180; Social Work 136; Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies 120, 122, 135

◆ Writing Skills Requirement:

- Upper-division writing skills

Courses: Africana Studies 104W; Agricultural Business 170SW; American Indian Studies 105WS; Anthropology 105W, 116W, 126W; Asian American Studies 151W, 161W; Aerospace Studies 105AW*, 105BW; Biology 118W; Business Administration 105W, Chemistry 161W; Chicano & Latin American Studies 102W; Earth & Environmental Sciences 104W, 135W; Economics 102W; English 106W, 115W, 117W*, 160W, 170W; Engineering 105W*; Health & Human Services 116W; History 100W*; Industrial Technology 198W; Jewish Studies 100W; Literacy & Early Education 180W; Linguistics 110W*, 111W; Media, Communications & Journalism 102W*, 114W*, 155SW, 158SW; Philosophy 125W, 133W; Plant Science 110W; Political Science 100W; Sociology 130W/WS

Note: a few majors require a specific "W" course; see catalog requirements for your major

*Enrollment may be restricted or have additional prerequisites. Check the course description in the catalog or my.fresnostate.edu

◆ Fresno State Residency unit minimums:

- 30 units
- 24 upper-division units
- 12 units in major
- 9 General Education units