California State University General Education Requirements

Each candidate for the bachelor’s degree from a California State University (CSU) institution shall complete a pattern of forty-eight (48) semester units of general education courses in addition to courses in American History and Institutions. A student may complete a maximum of thirty-nine (39) of the forty-eight (48) units at San Joaquin Delta College. The San Joaquin Delta College forty-two (42) unit requirement allows students to meet both the CSU General Education pattern and the CSU’s 40404 requirement for American History and Institutions. Students completing the CSU general education pattern will meet the general education requirements of San Joaquin Delta College’s Associate degrees.

NOTICE TO STUDENTS: Selection of courses from this list may be affected by one or more factors, including choice of major, university transfer requirements, or prerequisite or sequencing requirements. Failure to plan appropriately WILL adversely affect timely graduation and/or transfer. Students are encouraged to consult with a counselor in developing an individual education plan. Counseling services are available in Danner Hall Room 205, (209) 954-5650.

Courses shall be selected from Areas A – E below:

A. Communication In The English Language And Critical Thinking:
   A minimum of nine (9) units is required to include one course from each group.

1. Oral Communication (#)
   • Communication Studies 001A

2. Written Communication (#)
   • English 001A

3. Critical Thinking (#)
   • Communication Studies 005
   • English 001B, 001D
   • Philosophy 030

B. Physical Universe And Its Life Forms:
   A minimum of nine (9) units is required, to include at least one course from each of first three groups listed below. A laboratory course from either Group 1 or 2 must be included. In order for a 1L, 2L, or 10L laboratory course to count as the required lab course, the corresponding lecture course is also required.

1. Physical Science
   • Astronomy 001, 001L*
   • Chemistry 001A*, 001B*, 003A*, 003B*, 012A*, 012B*
   • Geology 001, 001L*
   • Geology 001A*, 010, 015, 016
   • Physical Science 001
   • Physics 002A*, 004A*, 010*
   • Plant Science 014*

2. Life Science
   • Animal Husbandry Sciences 010, 010L*
   • Anthropology 002, 002L*
   • Biology 001*, 002*, 003*, 010*, 011*, 031*, 032*, 033*
   • Natural Resources 002
   • Plant Science 010, 010L*

3. Mathematics Quantitative Reasoning#*
   • Mathematics 001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 010, 012, 013, 017A, 020, 038A, 039
   • Psychology 002

C. Arts, Literature, Philosophy And Foreign Languages:
   A minimum of nine (9) units is required, to include at least three units from Group 1 and 2.

1. Arts
   • Art 001A, 001B, 002, 003, 004, 006, 007A, 020A, 033A, 040A, 064A
   • Drama 010, 016A, 016B
   • English 030
   • Fashion 008
   • Horticulture 004
   • Music 001, 002A, 002B, 004, 007, 008
   • Photography 001A

2. Humanities
   • Civilization 003
   • English 034, 035, 037, 038, 039, 040A, 040B, 042A, 042B, 045, 046A, 046B, 052
   • Humanities 003, 014A, 014B
   • Philosophy 006, 040, 045, 050
   • Religion 014A, 014B

3. Foreign Language
   • Any one course in the sequence 001-004 or any two courses in the sequence 051-054
   • French 005
   • Sign Language 001, 002, 003, 004
   • Spanish 001A, 002A

D. Social, Political, And Economic Institutions And Behaviors; Historical Background:
   A minimum of twelve (12) units is required, to include at least six units from each group.


Option 1**
For U.S. History/U.S. Constitution:
• History 017A
California State and Local Government, one of the following:
• History 027, 030B, 034 or Political Science 001.
OR
Option 2**
For U.S. History, one of the following:
• History 017A, 017B, 027, 030A, 030B, 031
and for U.S. Constitution and California State and Local Government
• Political Science 001.

2. Human Social, Political, and Economic Institutions
   A minimum of six (6) units from at least two separate disciplines.
   • Administration of Justice 021
   • Agriculture Business 012
   • Anthropology 001, 006, 010
   • Biology 030+
   • Business 008, 026
   • Child Development 021
   • Communication Studies 007****, 011****
   • Economics 001A, 001B
   • Geography 002, 003, 010
   • History 002A, 002B, 004A, 004B, 006A, 006B, 006C, 037
   • Political Science 002, 005, 010
   • Psychology 001, 003+, 004, 030+
   • Social Science 030****
   • Sociology 001A, 001B, 024, 027, 033****

E. Life-Long Understanding And Self-Development:
   A minimum of three (3) units is required.***
   • Anthropology 004
   • Biology 030+
   • Child Development 026
   • Communication Studies 003
   • Computer Science 011
   • English 033G
   • Family and Consumer Sciences 002, 003, 005, 006, 023
   • Guidance 008
   • Health Education 001, 030
   • Humanities 004
   • Physical Education 001D, 009A
   • Psychology 003+, 024, 030+

NOTES:
* indicates laboratory course
** indicates “Meets Title 40404 requirement”
*** indicates “Entire three units may not be selected from Physical Education”
**** indicates CSU Sacramento “Race and Ethnicity in American society” general education requirement
(#) indicates with a “C” or better
(*) Effective Fall 2005 the courses accepted for satisfaction of the U.S. History, Constitution and American Ideals requirement has changed. If you completed this requirement prior to Fall 2005, you will not be affected. It is highly recommended that you make an appointment to see a counselor if you have any questions about this change in requirements. Counseling appointments may be made by calling (209) 954-5650.
+ Course may be listed in more than one area, but shall not be certified in more than one area.

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