

California State University General Education-Breadth

Ventura College CSU GE-Breadth Check Sheet

Student's Name _____
 (Please Print) Last First Middle Student ID Number

DIRECTIONS: Specify course ID/college name for courses taken at other colleges; indicate test name/score if met with AP/IB/CLEP. **Do not use this form for certification.**

(***) Note: While a "C-" may be used in the Subareas of A1, A2, A3, and B4 for CSU GE-Breadth Certification (Title 5 sections 40803, 40804, 40804.1), students earning an associate degree cannot use this grade to meet Written Expression (ENGL V01A) and Mathematics competency requirements. Courses listed in multiple areas may not be certified in more than one area.
Legend: C = Completed, IP = In Progress, N = Needed

	Courses	C	IP	N
<p>A. ENGLISH LANGUAGE COMMUNICATION AND CRITICAL THINKING (***): Complete one course from each Subarea (A1, A2, and A3). A total of 9 semester units (12 qtr. units) is required.</p> <p>1. Oral Communication: COMM V01, V03, V10, V15. 2. Written Communication: ENGL V01A. 3. Critical Thinking: COMM V10; ENGL V01B, V01C; PHIL V04, V05. Course(s) from other college(s)/AP _____ Area A completed <input type="checkbox"/></p>				
<p>B. SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING: Complete a minimum of 9 semester units (12 qtr. units), with at least one course from each of Subareas B1, B2, B4 and one laboratory activity course (Subarea B3) related to one of the completed science courses.</p> <p>1. Physical Science: AG V04; AST V01; CHEM V01A, V01B, V12A, V12B, V20, V21, V30; ESRM V02; GEOG V01, V05; GEOL V02, V03, V07, V09, V11, V21; PHSC V01; PHYS V01, V02A, V02B, V03A, V03B, V04, V05, V06. 2. Life Science: AG V06, V30, V61, V66; ANPH V01; ANTH V01; BIOL V01, V03, V04, V10, V12, V14, V18, V29; ESRM V01, V10, V14; MICR V01; PHSO V01; PSY V03. 3. Laboratory Activity: AG V04, V06, V30, V66; ANPH V01; ANTH V01L; AST V01L; BIOL V01L, V03, V04, V14, V29L; CHEM V01AL, V01BL, V12AL, V12BL, V20L, V21L, V30L; GEOG V01L; GEOL V02L, V03L, V09; MICR V01; PHSC V01; PHSO V01; PHYS V01, V02AL, V02BL, V03AL, V03BL, V04L, V05L, V06L. 4. Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning (***): CS V17; MATH V04, V05, V20, V21A, V21B, V21C, V22, V23, V38, V40, V44, V46, V52; PSY V04. Course(s) from other college(s)/AP/CLEP/IB _____ Area B completed <input type="checkbox"/></p>				
<p>C. ARTS AND HUMANITIES: Complete 9 semester units (12 qtr. units), with at least one course selected from each Subarea (C1, C2).</p> <p>1. Arts: AES V10, V65, V66, V67; ART V01, V02A, V02B, V02C, V02D, V03, V04, V05, V06, V07, V08, V09A, V09B; DANC V01, V02; ENGL V29A, V29B; FILM V01, V11, V29A, V29B; MUS V01, V03, V06, V07, V08, V09A, V09B; PHOT V07; THA V01, V17A, V17B, V20, V28, V29A, V29B, V30A. 2. Humanities: AES V01, V02A, V02B, V03, V20, V40A, V40B, V41, V42A, V42B, V63; ANTH V04; CHST V01, V03; COMM V05; ENGL V01B, V10, V11A, V14, V15, V16, V18, V21A, V21B, V22A, V22B, V23, V26, V30, V31, V33, V34, V35, V36; FILM V10; FREN V01, V02; GERM V01, V02; HIST V13, V43, V45, V50, V51, V55, V70, V73, V76, V79, V82, V83, V86, V87; ITAL V01, V02; JAPN V01, V02; PHIL V01, V02, V03A, V03B, V09, V10, V12, V14, V15; , V10C; SPAN V01, V02, V03, V03S, V04, V04S; THA V17A, V17B. Course(s) from other college(s)/AP/CLEP/IB _____ Area C completed <input type="checkbox"/></p>				
<p>D. SOCIAL SCIENCES: New students starting at VC (or any CCC or CSU) beginning Fall 2021 or later: Complete 6 semester units (8 qtr. units). If both courses are from a single discipline, then, after transfer, students will need to complete an upper division GE course in a different discipline. Students who started attending VC (or any CCC or CSU) before Fall 2021 and have maintained continuous enrollment: Complete 9 semester units (12 qtr. units). Courses must be taken from more than one discipline.</p> <p>AES V01, V02A, V02B, V03, V11, V20, V21A, V21B, V22, V23, V24, V40A, V40B, V41, V42A, V42B, V47, V63, V71, V72; AG V01, V12; ANTH V02, V03, V04, V05, V06, V07, V08, V09; BIOL V18; CD V02, V03, V05, V27, V61, V62; CHST V01, V02, V03, V24; CJ V01, V02, V03, V28, V30, V49; COMM V02, V12, V15, V16; ECON V01A, V01B; ESRM V03; ETHS V01, V02; GEOG V02, V06, V08; HED V20, V22; HIST V13, V16, V32, V43, V44, V45, V46, V47, V48, V50, V51, V53, V54, V55, V56, V57, V58, V59, V70, V73, V76, V78, V79, V82, V83, V86, V87; KIN V87; PHIL V10; POLS V01, V02, V03, V04, V05, V09, V11, V12, V14, V17, V18; PSY V01, V02, V05, V07, V15, V25, V29, V30, V31, V32; SOC V01, V02, V03, V04, V05, V07, V13, V24, V31. Course(s) from other college(s)/AP/CLEP/IB _____ Area D completed <input type="checkbox"/></p>				
<p>E. LIFELONG LEARNING & SELF-DEVELOPMENT: Complete 3 semester units (4 qtr. units), with no more than 1 unit of physical activity.</p> <p>AES V11; ANTH V02; ART V01; BIOL V10, V12, V18; CD V02, V03, V05, V62; COMM V03; COUN V01, V02; EAC V01; ESRM V01; HED V01, V02, V03, V04, V20, V24, V70, V73, V76, V87; KIN V81; PSY V01, V02, V05, V25, V32; SOC V03, V05. Physical Activity: DANC V04, V10A, V10B, V10C, V10D, V13A, V13B, V13C, V13D, V14, V15A, V15B, V15C, V15D, V23, V27, V29A, V29B, V29C, V29D, V30A, V30B, V30C, V30D, V50A, V50B, V50C, V50D; EAC V21, V26; ICA V02, V03, V04, V05, V06, V07, V08, V13, V14, V15, V16, V17, V18, V19, V20, V22, V23, V24, V25, V30A, V30B, V31A, V31B, V36, V69; KIN V02, V03, V04, V06, V10, V12, V13, V14, V16, V18, V19, V20, V21, V22, V23, V24, V26, V28, V33, V40A, V40B, V44A, V44B, V46A, V46B, V48A, V48B, V50A, V50B, V52, V70A, V70B, V72, V74A, V74B, V76A, V76B; THA V14. Course(s) from other college(s)/AP/CLEP/IB _____ Area E completed <input type="checkbox"/></p>				
<p>F. ETHNIC STUDIES: New students starting at VC (or any CCC or CSU) beginning Fall 2021 or later: Complete 3 semester units (4 qtr. units). Students who started attending VC (or any CCC or CSU) before Fall 2021 and have maintained continuous enrollment: Do not complete Area F. Exception: students who will graduate from a CSU in or after Fall 2024 will need an Ethnic Studies course, which may be taken before transfer.</p> <p>AES V03, V20, V23, V71, V72; CHST V01, V02, V03; ETHS V01, V02. Course(s) from other college(s) _____ Area F completed (or student is exempt) <input type="checkbox"/></p>				

CSU Graduation Requirement in U.S. HISTORY, CONSTITUTION, AND AMERICAN IDEALS (These are not part of CSU GE-Breadth but are recommended for completion before transfer. These courses may be double counted in Area D.) Complete one course from Group 1 and one course from Group 2.

Group 1 (US-1): **AES** V02A, V02B, V22, V40A, V40B, V47, V63; **HIST** V32, V43, V45, V46, V47, V50, V51, V53, V54, V55, V56, V58.....Completed:
 Group 2 (US-2 and US-3): **POLS** V01, V03.....Completed:
 AP/CLEP Exam (in lieu of US-1 or US-2 only):.....Completed:
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The California State University (CSU) requires all students to complete at least 48 semester units of general education (GE) to earn a bachelor's degree. The CSU GE-Breadth is a 39-semester-unit pattern of lower-division GE courses that may be completed at Ventura College or other California Community Colleges (CCC). The remaining 9 units of GE are upper-division courses that must be completed at the CSU. It is highly recommended that students planning to transfer to a CSU complete their lower-division GE prior to transfer by following the CSU GE-Breadth pattern. However, the CSU GE-Breadth pattern may not be the best GE preparation pathway for ALL majors and students should consult with a VC counselor to determine the best GE plan for their major and transfer destination.

FULL CERTIFICATION: “Certification” refers to the official verification by a CCC that a transfer student has completed courses fulfilling CSU GE-Breadth requirements. This certification will appear on the student’s transcripts. However, certification is not automatic. After students complete the CSU GE-Breadth pattern, they must meet with a VC counselor to request certification. Without this certification, CSU campuses may apply GE courses to the GE areas that coincide with the campus GE pattern, which may differ significantly from CCC CSU GE-Breadth patterns, resulting in students’ needing to take additional GE courses after transfer. Certification does not guarantee admission or admission eligibility. Most Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADTs) require full certification.

Certification may include:

- Courses completed at VC
- Courses completed at other California Community Colleges
- External exams (AP/IB/CLEP)
- Courses completed at other regionally accredited institutions (including CSU/UC/private institutions). Courses in this category will only be included if:
 1. The student provides an official transcript, catalog description(s), and, if required, dated course outline(s) or syllabus.
 2. The course is determined to be equivalent to a course in Ventura College’s CSU GE-Breadth pattern through the pass-along process. Courses from foreign institutions cannot be used in the certification process.

PARTIAL CERTIFICATION: It is possible to complete any of the GE areas at VC and receive partial certification. If a student is not fully certified, it will be necessary to complete the remaining areas (and perhaps other areas) after transferring, as defined in the catalog of the CSU transfer destination.

U.S. HISTORY, CONSTITUTION, AND AMERICAN IDEALS REQUIREMENTS: All CSU campuses require students to be knowledgeable about the Constitution of the United States, American history, and state and local government, generally known as the “American Institutions Requirement.” This requirement can be satisfied at the community college by completing the courses specified. With careful planning, students can complete courses that fulfill this requirement as well as fulfilling CSU GE-Breadth requirements. This double counting is permitted by all CSU campuses if the student is either partially or fully certified.

COURSES COMPLETED AT OTHER CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES (CCC): CSU GE policy states that CSU GE coursework completed in a specific subject area will be used in the area designated by the California Community College at which the course was completed.

SCHOLARSHIP: A grade of “C–” or better is required for each course completed in the “Golden Four,” which includes GE subareas A1 (oral communication in the English language), A2 (written communication in the English language), A3 (critical thinking), and B4 (mathematics/quantitative reasoning). While CSU GE policy does not prohibit students from satisfying the Golden Four requirements with credit grades (“P” or “CR”) as long as it represents a grade of C– or better, it is recommended that students take these courses for a letter grade as some majors may require letter grades in all major courses. The courses in the Golden Four are not only required for CSU GE-Breadth, but also for transfer admission. Courses with a grade of “D” or better are acceptable to fulfill other areas provided the student has a cumulative transfer GPA of 2.0 (“C”) or better. Most major courses will require a grade of “C” or better.

GE CREDIT BY EXAMINATION: Satisfactory scores on Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), and College Level Exam Preparation (CLEP) exams may be used to award GE credit and to certify satisfaction of CSU GE-Breadth areas. These units will be applied in accordance with the CSU Chancellor’s Office policy which is updated annually. Students will be required to provide official AP/IB/CLEP test scores. See the VC catalog or a VC Counselor for more information. Each CSU campus determines how it will apply credits earned by these examinations toward requirements in the major and generally this information is available on individual CSU campus websites.

DOUBLE COUNTING: A course cannot satisfy more than one GE area requirement even if it is listed in multiple areas. Courses may fulfill both GE and major requirements, but the units will be counted only once towards the 60 semester units required for transfer, an associate degree, or a bachelor’s degree.

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT IN CSU GE-BREADTH: Students who complete the CSU GE-Breadth pattern with a grade of “C” or better or “P” in each course are eligible to apply for a Certificate of Achievement in CSU GE-Breadth.

TRANSFER CREDIT: A maximum of 70 semester baccalaureate units earned at community colleges may be transferred to the CSU. Community college coursework completed above the 70 units may be used to meet GE, graduation, or major preparation requirements even if the units will not count toward the baccalaureate degree. The list of the approved CSU GE-Breadth courses specifies those GE courses that are used to meet GE requirements. It is not a complete list of CSU transferable courses. Information about the transferability of courses is published in the VC Catalog, the Schedule of Classes (in the online schedule, click the CRN number), and on the ASSIST website at <https://www.assist.org/>. ASSIST is the official repository of articulation for California’s public colleges and universities, providing reports of how course credits earned at a CCC may be applied when transferred to a CSU or UC campus.

ADDITIONAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS AFTER TRANSFER: Additional courses are required in preparation for a major. Campuses may impose additional graduation requirements, including foreign language, second-semester English composition, and Multicultural/Ethnic Studies. Visit the transfer university’s website or catalog for the most current information.

CSU ADMISSION PROCESS: For more information about the CSU Admission process, refer to the CSU website <https://www.calstate.edu/apply/transfer>.

ADMISSION: Students are not assured of admission to the campus and/or major of first choice. Consult your counselor for further information. Completion of GE requirements is not required for admission to a CSU campus. A student who is planning to transfer to one of the campuses of the CSU (except the Maritime Academy) can qualify for admission by meeting the following requirements:

1. **Lower division transfers**—the CSU, with few exceptions, will no longer accept lower division transfer students.
2. **Upper division transfers**—upper division transfers may qualify for admission if they have completed **60 or more transferable semester units** (maximum 70 units) and have completed the appropriate college courses with a grade of “C” or better to satisfy **subject area requirements**. Applicants must have a **2.0 overall grade point average** on a 4.0 grade scale in all transferable college units completed (2.4 for non-California residents) and be in good standing at the last college or university attended; continuous attendance is not required.
3. **Subject area requirements**—this admission requirement can be satisfied by completing 30 semester units of general education courses with a grade of “C–” or better in each course, to include English Language Communication, Critical Thinking (all groups of Area A), and Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning (Area B4).

The 23 CSU CAMPUSES

Bakersfield (CSUB)	Long Beach (CSULB)	San Bernardino (CSUSB)
Channel Islands (CSUCI)	Los Angeles (CSULA)	San Diego (SDSU)
Chico (CSUC)	Maritime Academy	San Francisco (SFSU)
Dominguez Hills (CSUDH)	(CSUMA)	San José (SJSU)
East Bay (CSUEB)	Monterey Bay (CSUMB)	San Luis Obispo (CPSLO)
Fresno (CSUFRES)	Northridge (CSUN)	San Marcos (CSUSM)
Fullerton (CSUFULL)	Pomona (CPP)	Sonoma (SSU)
Humboldt (CPH)	Sacramento (CSUS)	Stanislaus (CSUSTAN)

NOTE: Courses approved for CSU GE-Breadth and CSU admission requirements are subject to change. Students should consult a VC counselor and <https://www.assist.org/> and <https://www.calstate.edu/apply/transfer> to receive the most current transfer information.