

Certificate of Achievement in Cal-GETC (UC or CSU) 2026-27

A minimum "C" grade is required in each course for Cal-GETC. One course cannot be used to satisfy more than one requirement.			
*Transfer credit is limited by UC. See a Golden West College Counselor.	C = COMPLETED	IP = IN PROGRESS	N = NEEDED
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AREA 1: ENGLISH COMMUNICATION: Three courses – one from each subarea 1A, 1B, and 1C			
1 A: ENGLISH COMPOSITION (one course – 3 semester or 4 quarter units) English C1000*^ or C1000E*^ Course from other college: _____ College: _____ AP: _____			
1 B: CRITICAL THINKING AND COMPOSITION (one course – 3 semester or 4 quarter units) English C1003^; Philosophy G125; Psychology G130 Course from other college: _____ College: _____ (No AP or IB scores accepted)			
1 C: ORAL COMMUNICATION (one course – 3 semester or 4 quarter units) Communication Studies C1000^ Course from other college: _____ College: _____ (No AP or IB scores accepted)			
AREA 2: MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING: One course – 3 semester or 4 quarter units			
2: MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING: Computer Science G262; Economics G160*; Mathematics G115* or G115S*, G140* or G140S*, G170*, G180*, G185, G280, G285, G287; Psychology G140*; Sociology G125*; Statistics C1000*^ or C1000E*^ Course from other college: _____ College: _____ AP/IB: _____			
AREA 3: ARTS AND HUMANITIES: Two courses – one Arts and one Humanities - 6 semester or 8 quarter units			
3 A: ARTS (one course – 3 semester or 4 quarter units) Art G100, G103, G104, G123, G127, G128, G129, G138, G139; Art History C1100^, C1200^; Dance G101, G232; Music G101, G103, G108 (same as THEA G108), G139, G143; Theater Arts G100, G102, G108 (same as MUS G108), G111, G112 Course from other college: _____ College: _____ AP/IB: _____			
3 B: HUMANITIES (one course – 3 semester or 4 quarter units) Communication Studies G180; English C1002^, C1003^, G114, G143, G147, G150, G155, G160, G161, G181, G270, G275; Global Studies G150; History C1001^#, C1002^#, G110, G120, G121#, G145, G150, G161, G162, G180, G185; Philosophy G100, G102, G110, G111, G120, G140, G150 (same as PSCI G150); Political Science G150 (same as PHIL G150); SIGN G185, G200; Spanish G185*, G200, G280, G285; Theater G102; Vietnamese G185, G280, G285 Course from other college: _____ College: _____ AP/IB: _____			
AREA 4: SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES: Two courses, from two academic disciplines – 6 semester or 8 quarter units			
African American Studies G100; Anthropology G100, G130, G140, G150, G190, G200; Asian American Studies G100; Communication Studies G180, G255, G265; Criminal Justice G123*, G140, G150*; Economics C2001^, C2002^, G100, G110, G120, G130, G135 (same as PSCI G135); Ethnic G103 (same as PSCI G103), G120 (same as GEOG G120), G133 (same as SOC G133), G134 (same as SOC G134), G167, G181# (same as PSCI G181#); Geography G100, G120 (same as ETHS G120), G185; Global Studies G101, G102, G130, G150; Health Education G220; History C1001^#, C1002^#, G110, G120, G121#, G140, G145, G150, G155#, G161, G162, G180, G185; Philosophy G150 (same as PSCI G150); Political Science C1000^#, G100, G101, G103 (same as ETHS G103), G110, G130, G135 (same as ECON G135), G150 (same as PHIL G150), G181# (same as ETHS G181#), G185; Psychology C1000^, G110, G116, G118, G165, G250, G255, G260, G280; Sociology G100, G110, G111, G115, G133 (same as ETHS G133), G134 (same as ETHS G134), G140, G160, G185, G200 Course from other college: _____ College: _____ AP/IB: _____ Course from other college: _____ College: _____ AP/IB: _____			
AREA 5: PHYSICAL AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES: Two courses – one Physical and one Biological Sciences with one lab (Underlining designates courses with a laboratory), for a total of 7 semester or 9 quarter units			
5 A: PHYSICAL SCIENCE: Astronomy G100, <u>G100 + G100L</u>; Chemistry <u>G110*</u>, <u>G130*</u>, <u>G180</u>, <u>G185</u>, <u>G220</u>, <u>G225</u>; Geography G130, G180, <u>G180 + G180L</u>; Geology G105*, <u>G106</u>, <u>G110</u>, <u>G120</u>; Physical Science <u>G100*</u>; Physics <u>G110*</u>, <u>G110* + G111*</u>, <u>G120*</u>, <u>G125*</u>, <u>G185*</u>, <u>G280*</u>, <u>G285*</u> Course from other college: _____ College: _____ AP: _____			
5 B: BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE (one course - 3 semester or 4 quarter units) Anthropology G185, <u>G185 + G185L</u>; Biology <u>G100*</u>, G101, G104, <u>G104 + G104L</u>, <u>G110</u>, <u>G120</u>, <u>G180</u>, <u>G182</u>, <u>G183</u>, <u>G186</u>, <u>G210</u>, <u>G220</u>, <u>G221*</u>, <u>G225</u>; Psychology G250 Course from other college: _____ College: _____ AP: _____			
5 C: LABORATORY: At least one course from 5A or 5B must incorporate a laboratory component or take a corresponding lab course. Lab courses are underlined. Course from other college: _____ College: _____ AP: _____			
AREA 6: ETHNIC STUDIES: One course – 3 semester or 4 quarter units			
African American Studies G100; Asian American Studies G100; Ethnic Studies G103, G120, G133, G134, G167, G181#; Geography G120; Political Science G103, G181#; Sociology G133, G134			
UC GRADUATION REQUIREMENT: LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH: Proficiency equivalent to two years of high school study in the same language.			
CSU GRADUATION REQUIREMENT IN U.S. HISTORY, CONSTITUTION, & AMERICAN IDEALS			
# CSU US History, Constitution, and American Ideals All CSU campuses require that a student demonstrate competence in American History and the Constitution of the United States. Completion of HIST G121, HIST G155, HIST C1001^, or HIST C1002^ AND POLS C1000^ or PSCI G181 or ETHS G181 will satisfy this requirement. Students who do not complete this before transfer will need to take appropriate courses at the CSU.			

Common Course Numbering Project

Education Code Sections 66725-66725.5 [via [Assembly Bill No. 1111 \(Berman\)](#)] require implementation of a student-facing common course numbering (CCN) system across ALL California Community Colleges. Courses transitioned to new CCN courses include:

GWC Course Prior to CCN	CCN Course Effective Fall 2025
CMST G110	COMM C1000
ENGL G100 / G100S	ENGL C1000 / C1000E
MATH G160 / 160S	STAT C1000 / C1000E
PSCI G180	POLS C1000
PSYC G100	PSYC C1000

GWC Course Prior to CCN	CCN Course Effective Fall 2026
ART G105	ARTH C1100
ART G106	ARTH C1200
ECON G170	ECON C2001
ECON G175	ECON C2002
ENGL G110	ENGL C1003
ENGL G112	ENGL C1002
HIST G170	HIST C1001
HIST G175	HIST C1002

This Certificate of Achievement in the **California General Education Transfer Curriculum** is designed for students who intend to transfer to a CSU or UC. Students should consult a GWC counselor to make sure this is their best option. Courses on this list are approved for a specific academic year. A course can be used only if it is on the list when it is taken. Students are encouraged to see a counselor and check the ASSIST website (www.assist.org) regularly for the most current information about approved courses. ASSIST is the official repository of course articulation for California State Universities, Universities of California, and some private universities. Students who complete this certificate will meet all lower division general education requirements for UC or CSU. Student transferring to a CSU must complete a minimum of 9 additional upper division general education units after transfer. Cal-GETC may not be appropriate for some high unit majors, and you should consult a GWC counselor.

To receive this certificate a minimum of 12 units must be completed in residence within the Coast Colleges (Golden West College, Orange Coast College, and/or Coastline College). **Students must also specifically request Cal-GETC Certification when ordering their final transcript.**

See Cal-GETC Standards 1.4 for additional information ([Standards, Policies, and Procedures Manual | ICAS](#)).



Advanced Placement (AP) Exams Approved for Cal-GETC GE Areas:

AP Exam	Cal -GETC Area & Units for Certification	Transfer Units		AP Exam	Cal -GETC Area & Units for Certification	Transfer Units	
		CSU	UC			CSU	UC
Art History	3A or 3B (3)	6	5.3	Japanese Language & Culture	3B (3)	6	5.3
Biology	5B + 5C (4)	6	5.3	Latin	3B (3)	6	5.3
Calculus AB	2 (3)	3 ¹	2.6 ¹	Macroeconomics	4 (3)	3	2.6
Calculus BC	2 (3)	6 ¹	5.3 ¹	Microeconomics	4 (3)	3	2.6
Calculus BC / AB sub score	2 (3)	3 ¹	2.6 ¹	Physics 1: Algebra Based	5A + 5C (4)	4 ⁵	5.3 ⁵
Chemistry	5A + 5C (4)	6	5.3	Physics 2: Algebra Based	5A + 5C (4)	4 ⁵	5.3 ⁵
Chinese Language & Culture	3B (3)	6	5.3	Physics C: Mechanics	5A + 5C (3 ⁶)	4 ⁵	2.6 ⁶
Comparative Gov't & Politics	4 (3)	3	2.6	Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism	5A + 5C (3 ⁶)	4 ⁵	2.6 ⁶
English Language & Comp	1A (3)	6	5.3 ²	Psychology	4 (3)	3	2.6
English Literature & Comp	1A or 3B ³	6	5.3 ²	Spanish Language & Culture	3B (3)	6	5.3
Environmental Science	5A + 5C (3 ⁴)	4	2.6	Spanish Literature & Culture	3B (3)	6	5.3
European History	3B or 4 (3)	6	5.3	Statistics	2 (3)	3	2.6
French Language & Culture	3B (3)	6	5.3	U.S. Government & Politics	4 + US-2 (3)	3	2.6
German Language & Culture	3B (3)	6	5.3	U.S. History	3B or 4 (3)	6	5.3
Human Geography	4 (3)	3	2.6	World History: Modern	3B or 4 (3)	3	5.3
Italian Language & Culture	3B (3)	6	5.3				

¹ CSU: maximum one exam; UC: 5.3 sem. units maximum for both Calculus AB & BC exams

² UC: 5.3 sem. units maximum for both English Language & English Literature exams

³ CSUs grant 1A + 3B

⁴ Environmental Sc.: 3 units max for area 5A/5C, at least 4 units must be completed in area 5B

⁵ CSU: maximum 6 units total and only 4 units for GE; UC: 5.3 sem. units maximum for all Physic exams

⁶ Physics C.: 3 units max for area 5A/5C, at least 4 units must be completed in area 5B

*For other AP credits, please refer to the college catalog. <https://catalog.cccd.edu/golden-west/policies-regulations/credit-for-prior-learning/advanced-placement/>



International Baccalaureate (IB) HL Exams Approved for Cal-GETC Areas:

IB Exam	Cal -GETC Area & Units for Certification	Transfer Units		IB Exam	Cal -GETC Area & Units for Certification	Transfer Units	
		CSU	UC			CSU	UC
Biology HL	5B (3)	6	5.3	Language A: Lit HL (any language)	3B (3)	6	5.3
Chemistry HL	5A (3)	6	5.3	Language A: Lang & Lit HL (any language)	3B (3)	6	5.3
Economics HL	4 (3)	6	5.3	Mathematics: Analysis & Approaches HL	2 (3)	6 ¹	5.3
English Language A: Lang & Lit HL	3B (3)	6 ¹	5.3	Physics HL	5A (3)	6	5.3
English Language A: Lit HL	3B (3)	6 ¹	5.3	Psychology HL	4 (3)	3	5.3
Geography HL	4 (3)	6	5.3	Theatre HL	3A (3)	6 ¹	5.3
History (any region) HL	3B or 4 (3)	6	5.3				

¹ A minimum score of 4 is needed for CSU units