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CALIFORNIA GENERAL EDUCATION TRANSFER CURRICULUM (Cal-GETC)
Merritt College
2026 - 2027

CAUTION: Cal-GETC may not be the best option for transfer, particularly for majors such as Engineering, Computer Science, Biology, and Business. ***See a counselor for more information.***

Completion of Cal-GETC satisfies admission and lower division general education requirements at all CSU campuses and most UC campuses (with some exceptions for colleges and majors), and at many independent and private colleges and universities. However, it is not the only way to fulfill these requirements.

Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT) to CSU: Completion of the Cal-GETC GE pattern also fulfills the lower division GE requirements for ADTs. Students who started at Merritt (or any California Community College) Fall 2021 or later, and who plan to transfer to a CSU, must complete GE Area 6, Ethnic Studies before or after transfer in order to graduate. Students who started at Merritt (or any California Community College) before Fall 2021 and who have maintained continuous enrollment may not be required to complete this requirement. ***See a counselor for more information.***

CERTIFICATION: Full certification is required for transfer to a CSU--there is currently no partial certification. Some (but not all) UCs will accept partial completion of up to two courses in Areas 3, 4, 5, or 6 (but not Areas 2 or 3). All courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. Students should request certification when asking that their transcript be sent to the UC or CSU campus of their choice during the final term before transfer. ***See a counselor for more information.***

NOTE: Courses with an (*) are listed in more than one area but may not be counted in more than one area.

Legend: N=Needed IP=In Progress C=Completed	N	IP	C
AREA 1 - ENGLISH COMMUNICATION 3 courses, (9 semester or 12 quarter units), one from Area 1A, one from Area 1B, and one from Area 1C.			
1A - English Composition: One course, (3 semester or 4 quarter units), from: **ENGL: C1000, C1000E**	☐ 1A	☐	☐
1B - Critical Thinking and Composition: One course, (3 semester or 4 quarter units), from: **ENGL: C1001**	☐ 1B	☐	☐
1C - Oral Communication: One course, (3 semester or 4 quarter units), from: **COMM: 3, 4, C1000**	☐ 1C	☐	☐
AREA 2 - MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING One course, (3 semester or 4 quarter units), from: **CIS: 11** **STAT: C1000** **MATH: 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3E, 3F, 11, 15, 16A**	☐ 2	☐	☐
AREA 3 - ARTS AND HUMANITIES Two courses, (6 semester or 8 quarter units), one from Area 3A and one from Area 3B.			
3A - Arts **AFRAM: 52** **ART: 1, 4, 7** **MUSIC: 9, 10, 11, 15A, 15B, 19**	☐ 3A	☐	☐
3B - Humanities **AFRAM: 18[2]*, 25*, 30[1]*, 31[1]*, 32[1]*, 33*, 39, 41, 42, 43** **ASAME: 30*** **ENGL: C1002** **HIST: C1001, C1002** **HUMAN: 2** **M/LAT: 17B, 30A, 32[2]*** **PHIL: 1, 2** **SPAN: 1B**	☐ 3B	☐	☐

[1]Might not satisfy this area if taken at another PCCD College. ***See a counselor for more information.***
[2]AFRAM 18 same as M/LAT 32; maximum credit: 1 course

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AREA 4 - SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES Two courses, (6 semester or 8 quarter units), from two academic disciplines. AFRAM: 2, 3, 5, 8, 10, 11, 12, 14A, 14B, 16, 18[1]*, 19[2], 23, 25*, 30*, 31*, 32*, 33*, 38[3], 45 ADJUS: 21, 22, 63 ANTHR: 2, 3, 5, 7, 16 ASAME: 19[2], 30[4]* CHDEV: 51, 80 COMM: 6, 10, 19 COSER: 10, 22 ECON: C2001, C2002 ENVMT: 2 (formerly ENVST 11), 3, 12[3] HIST: C1001, C1002 M/LAT: 6[2], 12, 32[1]* NATAM: 19[2] POLS: C1000 PSYC: C1000 PSYCH: 6, 10, 12, 21, 24, 28 SOC: 1, 2, 3, 5, 13, 45, 120	☐ 4(1)	☐	☐
[1]AFRAM 18 same as M/LAT 32; credit: 1 course [2]AFRAM 19 same as ASAME 19, M/LAT 6, & NATAM 19; credit: 1 course [3]AFRAM 38 same as ENVMT 12; credit: 1 course [4]May NOT be taken at any other PCCD College to satisfy this area. See a counselor for more information.	4(2)		
AREA 5 - PHYSICAL AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES Two courses, (7 semester or 9 quarter units), one from Area 5A and one from Area 5B. One course must have a lab (lab courses are shown with (L).			
A. Physical Sciences. One course from: ASTR: 1, 10 CHEM: 1A(L), 1B(L), 12A(L), 12B(L), 30A(L), 30B(L) ENVMT: 101 GEOG: 1 (add GEOG 1L to clear lab) GEOL: 1(L) PHYS: 2A(L), 2B(L), 4A(L), 4B(L), 4C(L), 10	☐ 5A	☐	☐
B. Biological Sciences. One course from: ANTHR: 1 (add ANTHR 1L to clear lab) BIOL: 1A(L), 1B(L), 2(L), 3(L), 4(L), 5(L), 9(L), 10(L), 15, 20A(L), 20B(L), 23, 24(L), 29(L), 42 BIOSC: 53	☐ 5B	☐	☐
C. Laboratory Activity. At least one course shown with (L) in Areas 5A or 5B OR one of the following: ANTHR: 1L (clears lab w/ ANTHR 1) GEOG: 1L (clears lab w/ GEOG 1)	☐ 5C	☐	☐
Area 6 – ETHNIC STUDIES One course, (3 semester or 4 quarter units), from the list below. AFRAM: 19*[1] (F23), 30 (F23), 31 (F23) ASAME: 19*[1] (F23) M/LAT: 6*[1] (F23) NATAM: 19*[1] (F23)	☐ 6	☐	☐
[1]AFRAM 19 same as ASAME 19, M/LAT 6, & NATAM 19; credit: 1 course			
LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH (LOTE) ***(Optional – UC Graduation Requirement)*** *Complete a college course equal to 2 years HS LOTE with "C" or better (or P if = C). Merritt Course(s): **SPAN 1A** Non-Merritt course: _____ **(NOTE: Courses above proficiency can be used and double-counted)** *Complete the 2nd semester of the 2nd year or the 2nd level of a HS course in a LOTE with "C-" or higher; **OR** *Complete 2 years of formal schooling at the 6th grade level or higher, with "C" (2.0) or higher, in an institution where the language of instruction is not English (appropriate documentation must be presented); **OR** *Earn a qualifying score on an approved external exam (AP, IB, GCE, etc.). ***(NOTE: Some colleges at UC campuses require a college course for this. See a counselor for more information)***	☐ LOTE	☐	☐
U.S. HISTORY, CONSTITUTION, AND AMERICAN IDEALS ***(Optional - CSU Graduation Requirement)*** One course from EACH group below:			
Group 1: AFRAM: 30, 31 ***(NOTE: AFRAM 30 or 31 NOT acceptable if taken either Fall 2004 or Spring 2005)*** HIST: C1001, C1002	☐ G1	☐	☐
Group 2: POLS: C1000 (may double-count in Groups 2 & 3; units counted only once)	☐ G2	☐	☐
Group 3: POLS: C1000 (may double-count in Groups 2 & 3; units counted only once)	☐ G3	☐	☐
NOTE: Courses approved for this requirement may also be counted in one other GE area where approved (at the option of the receiving campus; check with Admissions at the receiving campus to confirm). **However, the units are counted only once.**			

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