Students should consult with a counselor for specific information regarding their intended major at the university of their choice.

Liberal Arts and Sciences: Option I, II, or III

This degree will provide students with an opportunity to earn an AA degree in one of three major areas of study: Math and Sciences; Social/Behavioral Sciences; or Arts and Humanities. It is designed for students who wish to explore different disciplines (subject areas) before deciding on a definite major program prior to transferring to a four-year university, or for students who may not be planning to transfer but wish to earn a degree in a particular area of study that interests them.

Students planning to transfer to a four-year university are cautioned that this degree may not meet all of the lower division requirements for transfer into a particular major; however, through careful educational planning with a counselor, this degree would offer a solid foundation in the transfer process. Students should consult with a counselor for specific information regarding their intended major at the university of their choice.

Degree Requirements:

Requirements for the Liberal Arts and Sciences Degree (Option I, II, or III) may be satisfied by completing a total of 60 units comprised of the following:

- a minimum of 18 core course units chosen exclusively from one of the options listed below. Student must receive a minimum grade of “C” or better in all required core courses in order to qualify for the degree;
- 21 units of AVC/General Education (GE) requirements; and
- enough elective units to complete the required balance of 60 total units.

Students who intend to transfer are strongly encouraged to complete either the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education – Breadth (CSU GE) requirements. (See Graduation/Associate Degree Requirements and Transfer Information.)

Double Counting: While a course might satisfy more than one general education requirement, it may not be counted more than once for these purposes. A course may be used to satisfy both a general education requirement and a major or area of emphasis requirement.

Math and Sciences - Option I:

The following area of study allows students to take courses that will prepare them for possible majors within the many fields of Science, including the Allied Health field, Nursing preparation, Health Sciences, and related fields. Courses in mathematics emphasize mathematical and quantitative reasoning skills. Courses in the sciences examine the physical universe—its life forms and its natural phenomena—allowing students to learn about the methodologies of science as an investigative tool and to understand the influence scientific knowledge has on society.

Select a minimum of 18 units from the following courses:

Choose at least 6 units from courses listed below:
- ANTH 101
- ASTR 101, 101L
- BIOL 101, 103, 110, 120, 201, 202, 204
- CHEM 101, 102, 110, 120
- ERSC 101
- GEOG 101
- GEOL 101, 101L, 102
- PHYS 101, 102, 110, 120, 211
- PSCI 101

AND at least 6 units from the courses listed below:
- MATH 115, 140, 150, 160, 220, 250

Social/Behavioral Sciences - Option II:

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate an awareness of the theories and methods of inquiry used by professional social and behavioral scientists.
2. Critically evaluate the behaviors, attitudes, values, and beliefs of diverse cultures.
3. Synthesize existing knowledge and evaluate research.

The following area of study allows students to take courses that will prepare them for possible majors within the fields of Psychology, History, Sociology, Political Science, and related disciplines. Courses in the social and behavioral sciences explore a variety of theories, perspectives, and experiences as to how people have behaved and continue to behave in response to particular times, places, events, and societies. The courses are designed to stimulate critical thinking and encourage students to evaluate how societies and social sub groups operate in the world.

Select at least 18 units from the following courses:
Arts and Humanities - Option III:
The following area of study allows students to take courses that will prepare them for possible majors within a variety of liberal arts disciplines. Courses in arts and humanities promote critical thinking and emphasize the cultural, humanistic, and artistic expression of people throughout the world, past and present. Students will learn to evaluate and interpret how people have developed aesthetically to the world around them.

Select at least 18 units from the following courses:
Choose at least 6 units from courses listed below:
- ART 100, 101, 102, 103, 104
- DA 101
- FTV 101, 107, 108, 203
- MUS 101, 105
- MUSC 102, 103, 107
- PHOT 107
- THA 101, 110

AND at least 6 units from courses listed below:
- CHIN 101*, 102*
- FREN 101*, 102*, 201, 202, 203
- FTV 201, 203
- GER 101*, 102*, 201, 202
- HIST 115
- LATN 101*, 102*, 201
- PHIL 105, 106, 108
- PHOT 107
- SPAN 101*, 102*, 201, 202, 203

Transfer
All courses listed in the options above are transferable to CSU/UC and may be applied to the appropriate areas of the CSU General Education Breadth and the UC General Education (IGETC) patterns. Those courses marked with an *asterisk can only be used for Foreign Language proficiency listed in IGETC section “Language Other Than English.” These courses may also be used for CSU GE Breadth Humanities credit Area C2.

Students wishing to transfer to the California State University system must select additional General Education courses from either the “CSU General Education” pattern or from the “Intersegmental General Education Transfer Core Curriculum (IGETC)” pattern listed in the Transfer Information section of this catalog.

Students wishing to transfer to the University of California system must select additional General Education courses only from the “Intersegmental General Education Transfer Core Curriculum (IGETC)” pattern listed in the Transfer Information section of this catalog.

Prerequisite Completion
If a course is listed as a prerequisite for another course, that prerequisite course must be completed with a satisfactory grade in order to enroll in the next course. According to Title 5, Section 55200(d), a satisfactory grade is a grade of “A,” “B,” “C” or “P”. Classes in which the Pass/No Pass option is available are indicated with an asterisk (*) before the course title. See “Pass/No Pass Option” in the catalog for full explanation.