

MIRACOSTA COLLEGE

Plan A: Advisement Sheet

MiraCosta College General Education Requirements • Fall 2024–Summer 2025

Plan A will satisfy general education requirements at MiraCosta College but will not satisfy all general education requirements for transfer to a CSU or UC campus and is not intended for students transferring to a four-year institution.

AREA 1—English Composition, Oral Communication & Critical Thinking

1A. English Composition	C	IP	N
A minimum of 3 semester units is required.			
ENGL 100/100H			
1B. Oral Communication & Critical Thinking	C	IP	N
A minimum of 3 semester units is required.			
Select one course from any discipline.			
COMM 101, 106, 190, 207, 212			
ENGL 201/201H, 202/202H			
PHIL 100, 110/110H			
PSYC 105			
READ 100			

AREA 2—Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning

A minimum of 3 semester units is required.	C	IP	N
BUS 147, 204/204H			
BTEC 180/180H			
CSIT 123			
MATH 102, 103/103H/103S, 105, 106, 112, 115, 126/126S, 131/131H, 135, 150/150H/150S, 155/155H, 260/260H			
PHAR 201			
PSYC 104/104H			
SOC 125			

AREA 3—Arts & Humanities

A minimum of 3 semester units is required.	C	IP	N
Select one course from any discipline.			
ART 100, 101, 103, 104, 157, 158, 159/159H, 201, 232, 244, 254, 258, 259, 260/260H, 290			
AUTO 110			
CCS 100, 232			
COMM 111, 150, 215			
DESN 107, 108			
DNCE 100/100H, 101/101H, 104, 104H, 105/105H			
DRAM 105, 130, 134, 222			
ETHN 100			
FILM 101/101H, 106, 111/111H, 112/112H, 211/211H, 212/212H			
FREN 101, 102, 121, 201, 202			
GRMN 101, 102, 121, 201			
HIST 103/103H, 104/104H			
HUMN 101/101H, 201, 202, 205			
ITAL 101, 102, 121, 201, 202			
JAPN 101, 101H, 102, 121, 123, 123H, 201, 202			
LIT 100, 101, 120, 122, 250/250H, 251/251H, 260/260H, 261/261H, 265/265H, 270/270H, 271			
MAT 105			
MUS 100, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 119/119H			
NAIS 100			
PACS 100			
PHIL 101/101H, 102, 221; RELG 101/101H, 103, 105			
SOC 232			
SPAN 101, 102, 201, 202, 205, 221, 222			

AREA 4—Social & Behavioral Sciences

A minimum of 3 semester units is required.	C	IP	N
Select one course from any discipline.			
ADM 100, 200			
ANTH 102/102H, 103, 104, 105/105H, 107, 120, 190			
AUTO 111			
CCS 100, 232			
CHLD 113, 235			
COMM 120, 135, 220			
CSIT 160			
ECON 100, 101, 102			
ETHN 100			
GEOG 102, 104, 108			
GERO 101, 250			
HIST 100/100H, 101/101H, 102/102H, 105/105H, 107, 110/110H, 111/111H, 113/113H, 115/115H, 116/116H, 117/117H, 141/141H, 142/142H, 145/145H, 146/146H, 165			
NAIS 100			
PACS 100			
PLSC 101/101H, 102, 103, 150			
PSYC 100, 101/101H, 103, 114, 115, 121/121H, 125, 170, 211			
SOC 101/101H, 102, 103, 105, 120, 130, 140, 232, 250			

AREA 5—Natural Sciences

A minimum of 3 semester units is required.	C	IP	N
Courses with a laboratory component are highlighted.			
ANTH 101/101H, 101L/101LH, 105/105H, 190			
ASTR 101, 101L, 120			
BIO 102, 103, 104, 105, 107, 108, 108L, 110, 111, 111L, 202, 204/204H, 220			
BTEC 108/108H			
CHEM 103, 103L, 112, 115/115H, 116, 140, 150/150H, 151/151H			
EART 106/106H			
GEOG 101, 101L, 155			
GEO 101/101H, 101L			
HORT 115, 116			
NURS 153			
NUTR 100/100H, 120			
OCEA 101/101H, 101L			
PHSN 106, 108/108H			
PHYS 111/111H, 112/112H, 151/151H, 152/152H, 253/253H			
PSYC 260			

AREA 6—Ethnic Studies

A minimum of 3 semester units is required.	C	IP	N
CCS 100, 232			
ETHN 100, 207			
SOC 207, 232			

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Courses listed in two different areas may be used in either area but not both.

LEGEND: C=Completed IP=In Progress N=Need

PROGRESS: Total Units Completed:

In Progress:

Need:

Plan A Frequently Asked Questions

MiraCosta College General Education Requirements

Associate Degree Requirements

- Unit/GPA: 60 degree applicable units with a minimum 2.0 GPA
- Residency: 12 units completed at MiraCosta College
- Major: A minimum of 18 units with a letter grade of "C" or better or "P" if taken pass/no pass. **Courses may be used to satisfy a major and a general education requirement.**
- General education

General Education Requirements

- Plan A: Complete Areas 1–6.
- Courses that were completed to satisfy the same general education category at another California community college will be applied to that GE area at MiraCosta College.
- Submission of a bachelor's degree or an associate degree from a regionally accredited college or university may be used to satisfy general education requirements in lieu of Plan A.
- Completion of Plan B (CSU GE) or Plan C (IGETC) will also satisfy general education requirements.

Petition for Degree and/or Certificate

Students who expect to receive an associate degree and/or Certificate of Achievement must file a petition by the 30 percent deadline of the final semester leading to their graduation. (Students intending to graduate during the summer intersession may petition during the spring semester.) Official transcripts from all colleges attended (or concurrently attending), approved substitutions and waivers, educational plans, and any other necessary documents must be on file in the Counseling Office before a student submits a petition to graduate. Petitions submitted after the deadline are automatically processed in the subsequent semester.

Plan B: Advisement Sheet

CSU General Education-Breadth Courses • Fall 2024–Summer 2025



AREA A—English Language Communication & Critical Thinking

Three courses and a minimum of 9 semester units are required. Select **one** course from each group below.

A1.* Oral Communication:	C	IP	N
COMM 101, 106, 207			
A2.* Written Communication:	C	IP	N
ENGL 100/100H			
A3.* Critical Thinking:	C	IP	N
COMM 190, 212; ENGL 201/201H, 202/202H; PHIL 100, 110/110H; PSYC 105; READ 100			

AREA B—Scientific Inquiry & Quantitative Reasoning

Three courses and a minimum of 9 semester units are required. Select **one** course from each group below. One course **must** include a corresponding laboratory from group B1 or B2. (Lab courses are highlighted.)

B1. Physical Science:	C	IP	N
ASTR 101, 101L, 120; CHEM 103, 103L, 112, 115/115H, 116, 140, 150/150H, 151/151H; EART 106/106H; GEOG 101, 101L; GEOL 101/101H, 101L; NUTR 120; OCEA 101/101H, 101L; PHSN 106, 108/108H; PHYS 111/111H, 112/112H, 151/151H, 152/152H, 253/253H			
B2. Life Science:	C	IP	N
ANTH 101/101H, 101L/101LH, 105/105H, 190; BIO 102, 103, 104, 105, 107, 108/108L, 110, 111, 111L, 202, 204/204H, 220, 230 (F14); BTEC 108/108H; HORT 115 (F16), 116; NUTR 100 (F16)/100H; PSYC 260			
B3. Laboratory Activity:	C	IP	N
This requirement may be met by the completion of any lab course above in B1 or B2. (Lab courses are highlighted.)			
B4.* Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning:	C	IP	N
A minimum of 3 semester units is required. BTEC 180/180H; BUS 147 (F18), 204/204H; CSIT 123; MATH 102, 103/103H/103S (F22), 105, 106, 112, 115, 126/126S, 131/131H, 135, 150/150H/150S, 155/155H, 260/260H; PSYC 104/104H; SOC 104/104H, 125			

AREA C—Arts & Humanities

Select **one** course from C1 and **one** course from C2. Select a **third** course from either C1 or C2. A minimum of 9 semester units is required.

C1. Arts:	C	IP	N
ART 100, 101, 103, 104, 157, 158, 159/159H, 201, 234, 244 (F14), 254, 258, 259, 260/260H, 290			
COMM 111			
DESN 107, 108			
DNCE 100/100H, 101/101H, 105/105H			
DRAM 105, 130, 134, 222			
FILM 101 (F10)/101H, 106, 111/111H (F19), 112/112H (F19)			
MAT 105			
MUS 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 119/119H			
C2. Humanities:	C	IP	N
ART 159/159H			
CCS 232			
COMM 150, 215			
DESN 108			
DNCE 104, 104H			
FILM 111/111H, 112/112H, 211/211H, 212/212H			
FREN 101, 102, 121, 201, 202; GRMN 101, 102, 121, 201			
HIST 100 (F11)/100H (F11), 101 (F11)/101H (F11), 103/103H, 104/104H, 110/110H, 111/111H, 115/115H, 116/116H, 141/141H, 142/142H, 145/145H, 146/146H, 165			
HUMN 101/101H, 201, 202, 205			
ITAL 101, 102, 103, 121, 201, 202; JAPN 101, 102, 121, 123/123, H201, 202, 210 (F16)			
LIT 100, 101, 120, 122, 250/250H, 251/251H, 260/260H, 261/261H, 265/265H, 270/270H, 271			
MAT 105			
PHIL 101/101H, 102, 221; RELG 101/101H, 103, 105			
SOC 232			
SPAN 101, 102, 201, 202, 205, 221, 222			

AREA D—Social Sciences†

Select **two** courses. If both courses selected are from the same discipline, the CSU Area D upper-division course requirement, completed after transfer, must come from a different discipline. A minimum of 6 units is required.

	C	IP	N
AUTO 111			
ADM 100, 200			
ANTH 102/102H, 103, 104, 105/105H, 107, 120, 190 (F19)			
BLST 100			
CCS 100, 232			
CHLD 112 (F22), 113, 210, 235			
COMM 120, 135, 144, 220			
CSIT 160, 165			
ECON 100, 101, 102			
ETHN 207			
GEOG 102, 104, 108			
GERO 101, 250			
HIST 100/100H, 101/101H, 102/102H, 105/105H, 107, 110/110H, 111/111H, 113/113H, 115/115H, 116/116H, 117/117H, 141/141H, 142/142H, 145/145H, 146/146H, 165			
NUTR 108			
PLSC 101/101H, 102, 103, 150			
PSYC 100, 101/101H, 103, 114 (F19), 115, 121/121H, 125, 145, 170, 211			
SOC 101/101H, 102, 103, 105, 120, 130, 140, 145, 207, 232, 250			

History, Constitution and American Ideals Requirement

All CSU campuses have a graduation requirement in History, Constitution and American Ideals. Students may be certified as completing this requirement by completing **one** course from Group I and **one** course from Group II; or by completing the course in Group III.

	C	IP	N
Group I: (select one) HIST 110/110H, 116/116H, 141/141H, 145/145H			
and			
Group II: (select one) HIST 111/111H, 117/117H (F16), 142/142H, 146, 165			
or			
Group III: PLSC 102			

AREA E—Lifelong Learning & Self-Development

Select **one** course. A minimum of 3 units is required.

	C	IP	N
BUS 136 (F13); BTEC 107			
CHLD 113 (F11), 205 (F11), 235			
COUN 100			
CSIT 160 (F22), 165			
GERO 101 (F11); HEAL 101, 222 (F19)			
INTR 100			
LIBR 201/201H (F19)			
NUTR 100/100H, 105, 125			
PSYC 100 (F11), 115, 121 (F11)/121H, 145, 170; SOC 145			

AREA F—Ethnic Studies†

Select **one** course. A minimum of 3 units is required.

	C	IP	N
CCS 100, 232; ETHN 100, 207; SOC 207, 232			

IMPORTANT INFORMATION & FOOTNOTES

This general education certification pattern can be subject to change year by year, but students are assured that courses taken to meet this pattern will be honored if they are approved for the academic year that the course is completed. **Courses on this list are approved effective Fall 2024 and are valid through Summer 2025.**

Certification of this general education pattern is not a CSU admission requirement, except when students are completing an Associate Degree for Transfer to a California State University. Students are strongly advised to work with a MiraCosta College counselor to develop an educational plan that includes general education and major preparation course work.

Credit will not be awarded for both the honors and non-honors version of a course.

Courses listed in two different areas may be used in either area but not both.

() Course approved beginning semester and year indicated. Course taught on campus prior to CSU GE approval.

*Consistent with CSU admission policies, MiraCosta College will certify courses in Area A or B4 that have been completed with a minimum grade of "C-" or better.

†Effective for students beginning at MiraCosta College or a CSU campus in Fall 2021 and beyond. Students with continuous enrollment (attendance in at least one semester per calendar year at a CSU or CCC or a combination of the two) prior to Fall 2021 may choose to complete the Plan B pattern without Area F and with the 9-unit Area D requirement.

Plan B Frequently Asked Questions

CSU General Education-Breadth Courses

What is CSU-GE/Plan B?

CSU-GE refers to the pattern of general education courses that students can complete at MiraCosta College to fulfill general education and admission requirements to any California State University (CSU) campus. At MiraCosta College, this pattern of courses is known as Plan B.

Is CSU-GE/Plan B required for transfer to a CSU campus?

No. An upper-division transfer student must complete 60 transferable semester units, with a minimum 2.0 grade point average. Within the 60 units, a minimum of 30 units of courses that meet general education requirements must be completed. The 30 units must include the following:

- **Area A**—9 units in the English language. One course each in Written Communication, Oral Communication, and Critical Thinking
- **Area B4**—One course, 3 units, in Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning.

These courses must be completed with a "C-" or better or a "P" if completing pass/no pass.

Can I complete general education requirements at the CSU campus when I transfer?

Yes. If a student chooses a high unit major (e.g., math, sciences, computer science, or engineering), it may be advantageous to take courses fulfilling general education requirements at the CSU transfer campus. However, for most majors it is advantageous to complete the CSU-GE prior to transfer. Students are advised to see a MiraCosta College counselor for more information.

What is certification of CSU-GE/Plan B?

"Certification" refers to official notification from MiraCosta College that a student transferring to any CSU campus has completed courses fulfilling CSU lower-division general education requirements. To obtain full certification, a student must complete 39 units in the designated general education areas on Plan B. All courses in Area A and B4 must be completed with a grade of "C" or better or a "P" if completing pass/no pass. "Certification" means the student will not be required to complete additional lower-division general education courses after transfer. **Foreign course work is not acceptable for CSU-GE.**

Can I get partial certification on CSU-GE/Plan B?

Yes. Partial certification refers to certification by area (A, B, C, D, and E) on Plan B. To be partially certified, a student must complete all courses within an area. The CSU transfer campus will require completion of the general education requirements in those sections that are not certified after transfer.

Can Advanced Placement test scores be applied to CSU-GE/Plan B?

Yes. Most AP tests can be used to complete Plan B requirements as long as the student has earned a 3, 4, or 5 on an AP exam and is requesting full or partial area certification. Students are advised to see a MiraCosta College counselor when transferring with AP credit.

Are the approved History, Constitution and American Ideals courses required for transfer?

No. This a CSU campus **graduation** requirement. However, it is usually highly advantageous to complete this requirement prior to transfer.

Can students complete CSU-GE/Plan B course work at more than one college?

Yes. MiraCosta College will certify courses from another California community college or another CSU campus if they were approved for CSU-GE at the time they were completed. The certification placement will be in the CSU-GE breadth area approved at the college where they were completed. If the courses were completed at a regionally accredited institution that does not maintain a certified CSU-GE breadth list, the courses will be evaluated for placement by the MiraCosta College Admissions Office and Articulation Officer.

Can a course be used to satisfy a CSU-GE/Plan B requirement and a major requirement?

Yes. A course may be used for both requirements for most majors on most CSU campuses, but there may be exceptions to this rule. Please check with a MiraCosta College counselor or at www.assist.org for more information.

What if I have a mixture of quarter and semester unit courses? How is this calculated for certification?

It will be calculated to the student's advantage per area using either semester or quarter units. To convert semester units to quarter units, multiply the semester units by 1.5. To convert quarter units to semester units, divide the quarter units by 1.5.

MiraCosta College Associate Degree
Frequently Asked Questions**Can I use CSU-GE/Plan B to earn an associate degree?**

Yes. Certification of Plan B will satisfy the MiraCosta College **general education** and **competency** requirements for an associate degree.

What are the *other* requirements to earn an associate degree when I complete CSU-GE/Plan B?

- **Unit/GPA**—60 degree-applicable units with a minimum 2.0 GPA
- **Residency**—12 units completed at MiraCosta College.

Students who are certified with Plan B and who meet the above requirements can earn an A. A. in Liberal Arts.

- **Major**—18 units with a letter grade of "C" or better or "P" if taken on a pass/no basis.

Can I use Plan B to obtain a Certificate of Achievement?

Yes. Students fully certified on Plan B are qualified to receive a Certificate of Achievement in CSU-GE.

Petition for Degree and/or Certificate

Students who expect to receive an associate degree and/or Certificate of Achievement must file a petition by the 30 percent deadline of the final semester leading to their graduation. Official transcripts from all colleges attended (or currently attending), approved substitutions and waivers, educational plans, and any other necessary documents must be on file in the Counseling Office before a student submits a petition to graduate.

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Plan C: Advisement Sheet

Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) for CSU and UC • Fall 2024–Summer 2025

AREA 1—English Composition

UC: Two courses are required. Select **one** course from group 1A and **one** course from group 1B.
CSU: Three courses are required. Select **one** course from each group (1A, 1B, and 1C).

1A. English Composition (a minimum of 3 semester units)	C	IP	N
ENGL 100/100H			
1B. Critical Thinking—English Composition (a minimum of 3 semester units)	C	IP	N
ENGL 201/201H, 202/202H			
1C. Oral Communication—CSU ONLY (a minimum of 3 semester units)	C	IP	N
COMM 101, 106, 207 (F'10)			

AREA 2A—Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning

One course and a minimum of 3 semester units are required.
 Select **one** of the following courses:

	C	IP	N
BTEC 180/180H; BUS 204/204H; CSIT 123; MATH 103/103S (F'22), 112, 115, 126/126S, 131/131H, 150/150H, 155/155H, 260/260H; PSYC 104/104H; SOC 125			

AREA 3—Arts & Humanities

Three courses and a minimum of 9 semester units are required.
 Select **one** course from group 3A and **one** course from group 3B.
 Select a **third** course from either group 3A or 3B.

3A. Arts:	C	IP	N
ART 104, 157, 158, 159/159H, 201, 234, 254, 258, 259, 260/260H, 290 (F'13); DESN 107, 108			
DNCE 100/100H, 101/101H, 105/105H; DRAM 105, 134, 222			
FILM 101 (F'10)/101H, 106, 111/111H (F'19), 112/112H (F'19)			
MAT 105			
MUS 112 (F'19), 113, 114 (F'09), 115, 116, 119/119H			
3B. Humanities:	C	IP	N
ART 159/159H			
CCS/SOC 232			
COMM 215			
DESN 108			
DNCE 104/104H			
FILM 111/111H (F'19), 112/112H (F'19), 211/211H (F'19), 212/212H (F'19)			
FREN 121 (F'19), 201, 202; GRMN 121, 201			
HIST 100 (F'11)/100H (F'11), 101 (F'11)/101H (F'11), 103/103H, 104/104H, 115/115H, 116/116H, 141/141H, 142/142H, 145/145H, 146/146H, 165			
HUMN 101/101H, 201, 202, 205			
ITAL 121, 201, 202; JAPN 121, 123/123H, 201, 202, 210 (F'16)			
LIT 100, 101, 120, 122 (F'22), 250/250H, 251/251H, 260/260H, 261/261H, 265/265H, 270/270H, 271			
MAT 105			
PHIL 101/101H, 102, 221; RELG 101/101H (F'19), 103 (F'19), 105			
SPAN 201, 202, 205, 221, 222			

AREA 4—Social & Behavioral Sciences

Two courses and a minimum of 6 semester units are required.
 Select **two** courses from at least **two** disciplines.

	C	IP	N
ADM 100, 200 (F'11)			
ANTH 102/102H, 103 (F'16), 104, 105/105H, 107 (F'19), 120, 190 (F'19)			
BLST 100			
CCS 100, 232			
CHLD 112 (F'22), 113 (F'11), 210 (F'11), 235			
COMM 120, 135, 220			
CSIT 160, 165			
ECON 100, 101, 102; ETHN 207			
GEOG 102, 104, 108; GERO 101, 250			
HIST 100/100H, 101/101H, 102/102H, 105/105H, 107, 110/110H, 111/111H, 113/113H, 115/115H, 116/116H, 117/117H, 141 (F'10)/141H, 142 (F'10)/142H, 145 (F'10)/145H, 146 (F'10)/146H, 165			
NUTR 108			
PLSC 101/101H, 102 (F'09), 103, 150			
PSYC 100, 101/101H, 103, 114 (F'19), 115 (F'12), 121/121H, 125, 145 (F'11), 170, 211 (F'14)			
SOC 101/101H, 102, 103, 105, 120 (F'10), 130, 140, 145 (F'11), 207 (F'10), 232, 250			

AREA 5—Physical & Biological Sciences

Two courses and a minimum of 7 semester units are required. Select **one** course from group A and **one** course from group B. One course must include a corresponding laboratory. (Lab courses are highlighted.)

5A. Physical Science:	C	IP	N
ASTR 101, 101L, 120 (F'13)			
CHEM 103 (F'19), 103L (F'19), 112, 115/115H, 116, 140, 150/150H, 151/151H			
EART 106/106H			
GEOG 101, 101L			
GEOL 101/101H, 101L			
OCEA 101/101H, 101L			
PHSN 106, 108/108H			
PHYS 111/111H, 112/112H, 151/151H, 152/152H, 253/253H			
5B. Biological Science:	C	IP	N
ANTH 101/101H, 101L/101LH, 105/105H, 190 (F'19)			
BIO 102, 103, 104, 105, 107, 108, 108L, 110, 111, 111L, 202, 204/204H, 220, 230 (F'19)			
HORT 115 (F'16), 116 (F'10)			
PSYC 260			
5C. Laboratory Activity:	C	IP	N
This requirement may be met by the completion of any lab course above in 5A or 5B. (Lab courses are highlighted.)			

AREA 6—Language Other Than English (UC only)

This proficiency may be met by having completed two years of high school course work in a language other than English with a "C-"* or better or by selecting **one** of the following courses:

	C	IP	N
FREN 101; GRMN 101; ITAL 101; JAPN 101; SPAN 101, 221			

AREA 7—Ethnic Studies[†]

Select **one** course. A minimum of 3 units is required.

	C	IP	N
CCS 100, 232; ETHN 100 (F'24), 207; SOC 207, 232			

For all approved courses, see Assist.org

CSU Graduation Requirements

History Constitution and America Ideals:

Select **one** course from Group I and **one** course from Group II; or by completing the course in Group III.

	C	IP	N
Group I: HIST 110/110H, 116/116H, 141/141H, 145/145H			
and			
Group II: HIST 111/111H, 117/117H (F'16), 142/142H, 146, 165			
or			
Group III: PLSC 102			

IMPORTANT INFORMATION & FOOTNOTES

This general education certification pattern can be subject to change year by year, but students are assured that courses taken to meet this pattern will be honored if they are approved for the academic year that the course is completed. **Courses on this list are approved effective Fall 2024 and are valid through Summer 2025.**

IGETC is not a UC admission requirement but is advantageous to most transfer students. Students are strongly advised to work with a MiraCosta College counselor to develop an educational plan that includes general education and major preparation course work specific to the intended UC campus. Certification of IGETC, including Area 1C, Oral Communication, is an admission requirement for the California State University system, when students are completing an Associate Degree for Transfer and using IGETC to fulfill the general education component of this degree.

All courses on IGETC must be completed with a "C" or better. A "P" (pass) is acceptable, but UC permits no more than 14 semester transferable units to be completed on a pass/no pass basis.

UC credit may be limited for some courses. For example, no credit is given for an introductory course if it is taken after a more advanced college course. Credit may also be limited for courses with overlapping content. In addition, duplicate credit will not be awarded for the honors and non-honors versions of a course. UC credit limitations are noted on the catalog course descriptions.

Courses listed in two different areas may be used in either area but not both.

() Course approved beginning semester and year indicated. Course taught on campus prior to IGETC approval.

*Grades of "C-" are not acceptable except for high school language courses.

[†]Students who maintain catalog rights to any year prior to Fall 2023 may choose the IGETC pattern without Area 7, and with nine units required in Area 4.

LEGEND: C=Completed IP=In Progress N=Need

PROGRESS: Total Units Completed: In Progress: Need:

Plan C Frequently Asked Questions

Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) for CSU and UC

What is IGETC/Plan C?

IGETC stands for Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC), which is a pattern of courses that students can complete at MiraCosta College to fulfill general education requirements at a University of California (UC) or California State University (CSU) campus. At MiraCosta College, this pattern of courses is known as Plan C.

Is IGETC required for transfer to a UC or CSU campus?

No. IGETC/Plan C is **not** an admission requirement for transfer to either the UC or CSU, nor does completing it guarantee admission to the campus or program of choice. IGETC may not be best for students in high unit majors such as math and sciences, and some UC campuses will not accept IGETC for certain majors. Plan C is an alternative to completing the lower-division general education or breadth program at a CSU or UC campus for many transfer students but not all.

What are the minimum UC requirements for an upper-division transfer student?

1. Complete 60 semester units of transferable college credit with a GPA of at least 2.4.
2. Complete the following course pattern requirements, earning a grade of "C" or better in each course: two transferable college courses (3 semester units) in English Composition; one transferable college course (3 semester units) in Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning; four transferable college courses (3 semester units each) chosen from at least two of the following subject areas: Arts and Humanities; Social and Behavioral Sciences; Physical and Biological Sciences.

Completion of IGETC will fulfill the requirements listed under section 2.

What is certification of IGETC/Plan C?

"Certification" refers to official notification from MiraCosta College that a student transferring to any UC/CSU campus has completed courses fulfilling lower-division general education requirements. To obtain full certification, students must complete the entire IGETC course pattern with a grade of "C" or better in each course. "Certification" means the student will not be required to complete additional lower-division general education courses after transfer.

Can I get partial certification of IGETC/Plan C?

Yes. Partial certification for all but two (2) courses is permitted. The UC/CSU campus will require completion of the general education requirements in those sections that are not certified after transfer.

Can Advanced Placement test scores be applied to IGETC/Plan C?

Yes. Students may earn IGETC unit credit for acceptable AP scores. Applying AP credit toward a major requirement will vary by UC/CSU campus. Please see a MiraCosta College counselor when using AP credit for transfer.

Are the CSU and UC certification requirements the same for IGETC?

No. Full certification for CSU must include Area 1, Oral Communication. This is not a UC requirement. Full certification for a UC campus must include satisfaction of the foreign language proficiency. This is not a CSU requirement.

What are the other methods that can be used to meet the Language Other than English requirement for the UC? (LOTE)

Score of 3 on the Foreign Language AP test; satisfactory score on SAT II subject test; score of 5 or higher on the International Baccalaureate Higher Level Examination; score of 5, 6, or 7 on the "A" level exam; grade of A, B, or C on the "O" level exam; official records that verify completion with grades "C" or better of two years of formal schooling at the 6th grade level or higher in an institution where the language of instruction is not English; satisfactory completion of a proficiency test administered by a community college, university, or other college in a language other than English.

Does the UC have a History, Constitution and American Ideals graduation requirement?

Yes. Most students will satisfy this requirement through one year of U.S. history or one half year of U.S. history and one half year of U.S. government in high school completed with a "C" or better (UCLA requires a "B") or a college-level course.

Can I complete IGETC/Plan C course work at more than one college?

Yes. MiraCosta College will certify courses taken at other California community colleges. These courses will be placed in the same IGETC category identified at the offering college. Courses taken at other regionally accredited colleges/universities that do not have an IGETC pattern may be used on IGETC if the course is comparable to an approved IGETC course at MiraCosta College or another California community college. **Foreign course work is not acceptable for IGETC.**

Can a course be used to satisfy an IGETC/Plan C area and a major requirement? Yes.

What if I have a mixture of quarter and semester unit courses? How is this calculated for certification?

It will be calculated to the student's advantage per area, using either semester or quarter units. To convert semester units to quarter units, multiply the semester units by 1.5. To convert quarter units to semester units, divide the quarter units by 1.5.

MiraCosta College Associate Degree Frequently Asked Questions

Can I use IGETC/Plan C to earn an associate degree?

Yes. Certification of Plan C will satisfy the MiraCosta College **general education** and **competency** requirements for an associate degree.

What are the other requirements to earn an associate degree when I complete IGETC/Plan C?

- **Unit/GPA**—60 degree applicable units with a minimum 2.0 GPA
- **Residency**—12 units completed at MiraCosta College
- **Major**—18 units with a letter grade of "C" or better or "P" if taken on a pass/no basis.

Can I use IGETC/Plan C to obtain a Certificate of Achievement?

Yes. Certification earns a Certificate of Achievement in IGETC.