

TABLE A - GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS-AA/AS DEGREE

**AREA 1:  
NATURAL  
SCIENCE**

(Choose one of the following two options):

OPTION I: Two courses/ minimum 6 units; at least one course from each area (life and physical science).

OPTION II: One course/ minimum 4 units; lecture with corresponding lab from either area (life or physical science).

**Life Sciences:**

- ANTH C121
- BIOL C101
- BIOL C101H
- BIOL C105 (L)
- BIOL C105H
- BIOL C111 (L)
- BIOL C111H (L)
- BIOL C112 (L)
- BIOL C112H (L)
- BIOL C115 (L)
- BIOL C121
- BIOL C122 (L)
- BIOL C125 (L)
- BIOL C141
- BIOL C142 (L)
- BIOL C145
- BIOL C251 (L)
- BIOL C255 (L)
- BIOL C261 (L)

**Physical Sciences:**

- CHEM C101 (L)
- CHEM C111 (L)
- CHEM C113 (L)
- CHEM C113H (L)
- CHEM C221 (L)
- CHEM C223 (L)
- CHEM C223H (L)
- GEOG C101
- GEOG C102 (L)
- GEOG C111 (L)
- GEOL C111 (L)
- PHSC C101
- PHSC C102 (L)
- PHSC C105
- PHSC C111
- PHSC 112
- PHSC C115 (L)
- PHSC C121
- PHSC C122 (L)
- PHSC C125 (L)
- PHSC C131
- PHSC C132 (L)
- PHYS C111 (L)
- PHYS C113
- PHYS C211

**AREA 2:  
SOCIAL &  
BEHAVIORAL  
SCIENCES**

Two courses/min. 6 units/each course from different subgroup.

**Social:**

- ADMJ C101
- ANTH C111
- ANTH C121
- ANTH C131
- CHDV C104
- CHDV C105
- CHDV C106,
- GEOG C131
- PSYC C101
- PSYC C101H
- PSYC C112
- PSYC C211
- PSYC C241
- PSYC C251
- SOCI C101
- SOCI C131 (D)

**Economics & Political:**

- ECON C101
- ECON C102
- ECON C103
- POLS C101
- POLS C102
- POLS C204

**Historical:**

- HIST C103
- HIST C103H
- HIST C104
- HIST C104H
- HIST C131
- HIST C131H
- HIST C132
- HIST C132H
- HIST C218

**Interdisciplinary  
Studies:**

- FILM/SPAN C211
- SOCI C210 (D)
- SOCI C220 (D)

**Ethnic Studies:**

- HIST C209 (D)

**AREA 3:  
HUMANITIES**

Two courses/min. 6 units/each course from different subgroup.

**Active Participation:**

- ART C111

- ART C115
- ART C121
- ART C131
- ART C141
- ART C151
- ART C165
- ART C231
- MUSC C121
- MUSC C122
- MUSC C126
- MUSC C131
- MUSC C132
- MUSC C135
- MUSC C136
- MUSC C151
- MUSC C152
- THEA C105
- THEA C111
- THEA C112
- THEA C118
- THEA C121
- THEA C126
- THEA C131
- THEA C140
- THEA C145
- THEA C211
- THEA C212
- THEA C230
- THEA C241
- ENGL C141

**Arts:**

- ART C101 (D)
- ART C105
- ART C106
- ART C106H
- MUSC C101
- MUSC C101H
- MUSC C118
- MUSC C173 (D)
- MUSC C181
- MUSC C183
- THEA C101
- THEA C103

**Literature:**

- ENGL C102
- ENGL C102H
- ENGL C111
- ENGL C111H
- ENGL C190
- ENGL C221
- ENGL C221H
- ENGL C222
- ENGL C222H
- ENGL C231
- ENGL C231H
- ENGL C232
- ENGL C232H
- ENGL C235
- ENGL C235H
- ENGL C241
- ENGL C241H
- ENGL C242
- ENGL C242H
- ENGL C245 (D)

- ENGL C245H (D)
- ENGL C249 (D)
- ENGL C249H (D)

**Philosophy:**

- PHIL C101
- PHIL C141
- PHIL C161
- PHIL C164
- PHIL C205
- PHIL C215

**Foreign Language:**

- ASL C101
- ASL C102
- FREN C101
- LATN C101
- LATN C102
- LATN C201
- LATN C202
- SPAN C100
- SPAN C101
- SPAN C102
- SPAN C110
- SPAN C171
- SPAN C180

**Interdisciplinary  
Studies:**

- FILM/SPAN C211 (D)
- SOCI C210 (D)
- SOCI C220 (D)

**AREA 4:  
LANGUAGE  
& RATIONALITY**

Two courses/min. 6 units/one course from each group-"C" or better.

**English Composition:**

- ENGL C101
- ENGL C101H
- ENGL C151

**Analytical Thinking:**

- ENGL C102
- MATH C055
- MATH C056
- MATH C057
- MATH C101
- MATH C121
- MATH C121H
- MATH C130
- MATH C131
- MATH C141
- MATH C142
- MATH C151
- MATH C255
- MATH C257
- PHIL C205

**AREA 5:  
INFORMATION  
COMPETENCY**

One course/minimum 1 unit OR pass IC Proficiency Exam. Information Competency:

- IC C075
- PROFICIENCY EXAM

**AREA 6:  
DIVERSITY**

One of the following courses or any diversity general education class (D).

**Diversity:**

- ART C101
- BSAD C152
- CHDV C125
- CHDV C241
- DMA C113
- ENGL C245
- ENGL C245H
- ENGL C249
- ENGL C249H
- FILM/SPAN C211
- HCRS C250
- HIST C209
- HMSV C102
- SOCI C210
- SOCI C220
- MUSC C173
- SOCI C131

**AREA 7:  
HEALTH &  
WELLNESS**

Choose from the following options:

OPTION I: One course from the following:

- CHDV C121
- HCRS C121
- HSCI C101
- PSYC C231

OPTION II: Completion of one of the following:

- a) PHED C102 and ONE 1-unit P.E. Activity Class
- b) THREE 1-unit P.E. Activity Classes

## GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS-AA/AS DEGREE

### OVERALL REQUIREMENTS

Students must complete a minimum of 60 degree applicable units to include a minimum of 26 units of General Education.

1. A minimum grade-point average of 2.0 ("C") is required to meet the AA/AS degree requirements.
2. A minimum grade of "C" or better is required in each English, reading and math course, as well as each course taken to complete Major requirements.
3. A minimum of 12 units must be completed at Cerro Coso Community College.

**\*NOTE: Courses may not be used to satisfy more than one General Education requirement except in the area of Diversity.**

### MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Satisfactory completion of at least 18 semester units of study in a specific discipline or in related disciplines. Course work used to satisfy general education requirements can also be used to satisfy major field requirements and must be completed with a grade of "C" or better.

- a. Associate in Arts degree: a general education major consisting of a program of study intended primarily to prepare the student for transfer to a four-year institution.
- b. Associate in Science degree: a science or occupational/career major consisting of a program of 18 or more units of designated courses representing a single area of concentration.

### GRADUATION EVALUATION

It is the student's responsibility to meet with a counselor to request a Graduation Evaluation and Petition to Graduate during the semester that they plan to finish their degree requirements. Official transcripts of any coursework completed at an institution other than Cerro Coso must be on file prior to completion of a Graduation Evaluation.

**\*NOTE: These are NOT the general education requirements for transfer. If you plan to transfer to a four-year institution, please contact a counselor.**

### ADDITIONAL ASSOCIATE DEGREES

Students who hold one Associate degree may qualify for another degree under the conditions that they:

1. Complete all current graduation general education requirements, either through acceptance of previous college credits or by additional course work, and
2. Complete all required major field courses in a recognized general major or occupational/career program as outlined in this catalog. If a student meets the foregoing prerequisites, a second degree may be awarded upon completion of a minimum of 18 units subsequent to the completion of the requirements for the previous degree.

\*\*Two degrees may be awarded to a student within the same semester if all requirements for both degrees are completed within that same semester.

Note: AA degree graduates from the Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) are eligible to earn an AA degree from Cerro Coso.

## CSU GENERAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATION

### MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR CSU TRANSFER STUDENTS:

1. Complete 60 semester units of transferable college (courses numbered 100-299, baccalaureate transferability is subject to review by individual transfer institutions) with a GPA of at least 2.0, in order to be eligible for CSU admission.
2. Complete a minimum of 30 and maximum of 39 semester units from the CSU general education pattern. To be eligible for admission to the CSU campuses, students must complete Area A1, A2, A3, and B4 of the general education pattern.

Completion of the CSU GE Certification will satisfy the course requirements for the minimum admission requirements. Although not required for admission to the CSU, students are encouraged to complete the CSU GE Certification Pattern prior to transfer. For impacted or competitive CSU campuses and majors, there may be additional requirements such as completion of specific major courses, completion of certain general education courses by certain semesters, and/or higher grade point averages (see a counselor for more details). Students considering transfer should see a counselor and go to [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org) and [www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu).

### CSU GE CERTIFICATION

**Certification** means that Cerro Coso Community College has verified that a student has completed the lower division general education requirements for the California State University. Certification is important because without it students will be held to the general education requirements specific to the CSU campus to which the student transfers. Coursework from other colleges and universities may be considered for certification, but will need to be evaluated by a Cerro Coso Community College counselor or advisor.

### ASSOCIATE ARTS DEGREE

Completion of the CSU General Education Certification and 60 transferable units with a GPA of 2.0, will meet all requirements for an AA degree at Cerro Coso Community College. The CVHEC (Central Valley Higher Education Consortium) Transfer Associate Degree **guarantees admission** to any one of the CVHEC universities: CSU Bakersfield, Fresno, Stanislaus; Fresno Pacific University; University of the Pacific or University of California, Merced. This guarantee applies to admission to the university, rather than to a specific program or major. This associate degree is not recommended for majors that require extensive lower division preparation. Consult with your counselor and visit <http://www.CollegeNext.org/>.

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS

Information about AP Exams and how the credit will be applied to the CSU GE Certification is in the College Catalog, which can be obtained at <http://www.cerrocoso.edu/> or see a Cerro Coso counselor for more details.

## INTERSEGMENTAL GENERAL EDUCATION TRANSFER CURRICULUM

### MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR UC TRANSFER STUDENTS:

1. Complete 60 semester units of transferable college credit (courses numbered 100-299, baccalaureate transferability is subject to review by individual transfer institutions) with a GPA of at least 2.4.
2. Complete the following course pattern, earning a grade of "C" or better in each course:
  - A. Two transferable courses in English composition: ENGL 101 **AND** ENGL 102
  - B. One transferable course in mathematical concepts & quantitative reasoning: MATH C121, C12H, C130, C131, C141, C151, C152, C251, C255, C257
  - C. Four transferable courses chosen from at least two of the following subject areas:
    - a) Arts & Humanities; b) Social & Behavioral Sciences; c) Physical & Biological Sciences

Completion of the IGETC will satisfy the course pattern requirement for the minimum admission requirements listed above (#2). The IGETC is most advantageous for transfers who have not yet decided on a major or a campus. Once a student has identified a major, it is important for the student to work toward fulfilling any required preparatory courses, particularly in professional or "high unit" majors that select applicant on the basis of satisfaction of lower division major requirements. Students pursuing these types of programs should note that it is more important to complete the required preparatory courses than it is to complete the IGETC.

In general, it is not advisable for transfer students preparing for engineering majors (at any campus) to use the IGETC. Students entering "high unit" majors, such as those in the sciences, can follow the IGETC at some UC campuses (see IGETC Exceptions below), but must be careful to complete any needed lower division major preparation. For example, majors in the sciences not only have specific science prerequisites, but also have substantial mathematics requirements. Students pursuing these types of programs should use the GE-Breadth requirements for the specific major and campus of their choice and complete the Minimum Admissions Requirements listed above (see a counselor for course selection). Students considering transfer should see a counselor and go to <http://www.assist.org/>.

### IGETC CERTIFICATION

**Certification** means that Cerro Coso Community College has verified that a student has completed the lower division general education requirements for the University of California and California State University. Certification is important because without it students will be held to the general education requirements specific to the UC and CSU campus to which the student transfers. Coursework from other colleges and universities may be considered for certification, but will need to be evaluated by a Cerro Coso Community College counselor.

### ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE

Completion of the IGETC and 60 transferable units (including a minimum of 18 units in an area of emphasis), with a GPA of 2.0 or higher, will meet all requirements for an AA in Liberal Arts at Cerro Coso Community College.

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS

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Catalog rights apply only to Cerro Coso graduation and program requirements. If other institutions change their requirements for entrance, graduation, satisfaction of general education patterns, or in other ways it may be necessary for the student to meet the new requirements upon transfer, even if continuous enrollment has been maintained.