General Education/Graduation Requirements Checklist

General Education requirements cover a breadth of areas spanning 1. English Communication, 2.	
Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning, 3. Arts & Humanities, 4. Social & Behavioral	
Sciences, 5. Physical & Biological Sciences, and 6. Ethnic Studies.	
For a list of courses that satisfy each Area and Requirement, please see the University Catalog.	Units
General Education Requirements:	43
Lower Division: A total of 34 units of General Education Courses must be taken at the lower-division level	
(courses numbered 1-99) covering Areas 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6.	34
Upper Division: A total of 9 units of General Education Courses must be taken at the upper-division level (courses	
numbered 100-199) from Areas 3, 4, and 5 or 2. Upper Division GE courses must be taken within the CSU.	9
GE Area 1. English Communication: 9 Lower Division Units	9
1A. English Composition (C- or better required)	3
1B. Critical Thinking (C- or better required)	3
1C. Oral Communication (C- or better required)	3
GE Area 2. Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning: 3 Lower Division Units and up to 3 Upper Division Units	3
2. Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning (C- or better required)	3
GE Area 3. Arts & Humanities: 6 Lower Division Units and 3 Upper Division Units	6
3A. Arts	3
3B. Humanities (3B courses may also satisfy the Foreign Language Graduation Requirement)	3
GE Area 4. Social & Behavioral Sciences: 6 Lower Division Units and 3 Upper Division Units.	
Area 4 courses must be taken in 2 separate disciplines (e.g., ANTH, ECON, ETHN, HIST, RPTA, etc.).	
Up to 3 units of Area 4 courses may also satisfy CSU American Institutions Graduation Requirements in US	
History, the US Constitution and California Government. 4. Any Area 4 Course	3
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GE Area 5. Physical & Biological Sciences: 7 Lower Division Units and up to 3 Upper Division Units	7
5A. Physical Science	3
5B. Biological Science	3
5C. Laboratory (NOTE: May be embedded in 5A or 5B course, as long as 7 units met for lower division Subject Area 5.)	1
GE Area 6. Ethnic Studies: 3 Lower Division Units	3
6. Any Area 6 Course	3
Upper Division GE	9
Area 3. Any Upper Division Area 3 course	3
Area 4. Any Upper Division Area 4 course	3
Area 2 or 5. Any Upper Division Area 2 or 5 course	3

Graduation Requirements:	
Minimum 2.0 GPA required for GE	
Graduation Requirements (required by CSU)	
American Institutions: U.S. History. The following Area 4 courses also satisfy the U.S History Graduation Requirement: HIST	
17A, 17B, 18B, 151B, 159, 161, 162, 167, 177; ANTH 101, WGS 110.*	3
American Institutions: U.S Constitution & California Government. The following Area 4 courses also satisfy the U.S	
Constitution & CA Government graduation requirement: POLS 1, 113, 150.*	3
Writing Intensive (WI) WI courses may also satisfy an Upper Division GE or Major Requirement (C- or better required).	3
Graduation Requirements (required by California State University, Sacramento)	
Second Semester Composition (ENGL 20, ENGL 20M or an approved equivalent) must be completed with a C- or better.	3
Race & Ethnicity in American Society (R&E). R&E courses may also satisfy a GE Area 3, 4, or 6 Requirement	3
Foreign Language Graduation Requirement (FLGR). If not satisfied before entering CSUS, 4-5 units towards the FLGR may	
also satisfy a GE Area 3B Requirement. (C- or better required). The Foreign Language Graduation Requirement is described	
here: https://www.csus.edu/college/arts-letters/world-languages-literatures/foreign-language-requirement.html .	0-8

^{*}Up to 3 units of the American Institutions graduation requirement in either US History or US Constitution & California Government may overlap with General Education.

It is possible to use single courses to meet multiple requirements. Please complete this checklist with a professional advisor. The Academic Advising Center can be visited at www.csus.edu/acad or please call: (916) 278-6351 or email at advising@csus.edu.