



The Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senates - University of California - The California State University - California Community Colleges

California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC)

May 22, 2023

On May 22, 2023, ICAS approved the Cal-GETC Standards Document version 1.0.

Through [AB 928](#) (Berman, 2021), the [Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senates](#) (ICAS) was directed to establish a singular lower division general education transfer pathway that meets the academic requirements necessary for transfer admission to both the California State University (CSU) and University of California (UC). Direction for this transfer pathway's development included a number of requirements:

- ICAS must establish the pathway by May 31, 2023. If the pathway is not established by that date, the administrations of each system will establish the pathway by December 31, 2023;
- The pathway shall not include more units than the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) as of July 2021, which is 34 semester units; and
- Commencing with the fall term of the 2025-26 academic year, this pathway shall be the only lower division general education pathway to determine academic eligibility and sufficient academic preparation for transfer admission to the CSU and UC.

In spring 2022, ICAS formed a Special Committee on AB 928 to draft the required singular lower division education pathway. During the summer and fall of 2022, vetting among faculty within each segment's academic senate took place which resulted in support or endorsement of the proposed California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC). Details can be found on the [ICAS website](#).

On February 1, 2023, ICAS established the Cal-GETC Framework through a unanimous vote.

On April 3, 2023, ICAS convened a special meeting for representatives of community college practitioners in lifelong learning and self-development (LLSD) fields to:

- Share with ICAS courses that may be impacted
- Provide recommendations to ICAS for Cal-GETC areas that might include LLSD courses, and
- Discuss future work with the Intersegmental Curriculum Workgroup (ICW) on how ADTs could be modified to include LLSD courses.

Work in this area is ongoing.

On April 10, 2023, ICAS convened a Special Committee on Cal-GETC consisting of each segment academic senate chair/president or their designee, IGETC Standards subcommittee members, and one additional segment academic senate-appointed member for a total of nine members, three from each segment. In addition, the committee included advisors: students, articulation officers, administrators, and academic senate directors; and discipline experts. The committee met six times, with discipline

experts convening additional meeting times to create recommendations. The Special Committee on Cal-GETC provided the following recommendations for ICAS:

- Recommend approval of the Cal-GETC Standards document version 1.0 which establishes academic requirements for courses in Cal-GETC (modeled after the IGETC Standards document)
- Recommend the Cal-GETC Standards document undergo analogous processes to those for the IGETC Standards document for annual updating and approval.

It should be noted that the Cal-GETC Framework and Standards defines and determines academic eligibility and sufficient academic preparation general education for transfer admission to both the CSU and UC. Lower division major preparation requirements are not included in the Cal-GETC Framework and Standards.

Respectfully,



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Attachment: Cal-GETC Standards Version 1.0

The California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) Framework

Area	Subject	Courses (minimum 3 semester/4 quarter units)
1	English Communication English Composition Critical Thinking and Composition Oral Communication	1 course 1 course 1 course
2	Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning	1 course
3	Arts and Humanities Arts Humanities	1 course 1 course
4	Social and Behavioral Sciences Two disciplines	2 courses
5	Physical and Biological Sciences Physical Science Biological Science Laboratory (for physical or biological science course)	1 course 1 course (1 unit)
6	Ethnic Studies	1 course
Total Courses (units)		11 courses (34 semester units)