

2026-2027 Butte College Cal-GETC Requirements

General Education Pattern for Transfer Students

Cal-GETC is the California General Education Transfer Curriculum. For students beginning college in Fall 2025 and beyond, it is the single transfer General Education (GE) pattern for all California Community College students to transfer to all California State Universities (CSU) and Universities of California (UC). Please note the below regulations regarding this GE pattern:

- Students who attended any college prior to Fall 2025 may have catalog rights to use either IGETC or CSU GE-Breadth instead of Cal-GETC (see a counselor to confirm your catalog rights)
- Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) exams can be applied toward Cal-GETC certification
- International coursework may be applied if the institution has United States accreditation from an approved accreditor
- All Cal-GETC classes must be completed with a C or higher for certification

The UC and CSU campuses will honor certification of Cal-GETC coursework, provided that a course was on a college's approved Cal-GETC list when it was completed. Students who completed IGETC-approved courses prior to Fall 2025 may apply them to the corresponding Cal-GETC area. Please consult a counselor to confirm GE applicability of all coursework. This is strongly recommended due to the complex and changing nature of transfer requirements.

Cal-GETC Area Requirements

Complete a minimum of 34 semester units of general education from the approved list according to the following pattern:

Area 1: English Communication

1A. English Composition: One course, 3 semester units

1B. Critical Thinking and Composition: One course, 3 semester units

1C. Oral Communication: One course, 3 semester units

Area 2: Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning One course, 3 semester units

Area 3: Arts and Humanities

3A. Arts: One course, 3 semester units

3B. Humanities: One course, 3 semester units

Area 4: Social and Behavioral Sciences Two courses, 6 semester units (from two different disciplines)

Area 5: Physical and Biological Sciences

5A. Physical Science: One course, 3 semester units

5B. Biological Science: One course, 3 semester units

5C. Laboratory: One course, 1 semester unit

Area 6: Ethnic Studies One course, 3 semester units

Transfer Information for UC, CSU, Private, and Out-of-State Universities

Completion of Cal-GETC does not necessarily meet admission requirements for all universities. There are also additional graduation requirements that the UC and CSU system have that you may be able to fulfill here at Butte College. Out-of-State and Private Colleges may not honor Cal-GETC completion for lower-division general education requirements. See the Articulation website at www.butte.edu/articulation for more information on university admission and graduation requirements.

CSU American Institutions Requirements

U.S. History – ECON 20, HIST 18, HIST 26, HIST C1001 (was HIST 8)

Government – POLS C1000 (was POS 2), POS 12 (Note: POS 12 is for CSU only and does not transfer to UC)

Chico State will also honor HIST C1002 (was HIST 10) for U.S. History due to established articulation with their HIST 130 United States History course. Other CSUs may honor HIST C1002 by articulation. Consult a counselor to confirm course applicability to an individual CSU campus.

How to Use this Guide

Use this guide to help you select courses in the 2026-27 school year that will fulfill each of these Cal-GETC areas. These courses may or may not fulfill prior GE transfer patterns, so it is recommended to consult with a counselor when choosing specific courses. **Courses listed in more than one Area can only be counted in one Area.** Courses that count for a graduation requirement are allowed to double count with a GE area. See Symbol Key at end of course list for more information on how to read this guide.



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Area 1 - English Communication

Three courses, 9 semester units, with one each from 1A, 1B, and 1C

1A English Composition

One course, 3 semester units

- ENGL C1000 Academic Reading and Writing (4) (was ENGL 2)
- ENGL C1000E Academic Reading and Writing (4) (was ENGL 3)

1B Critical Thinking and Composition

One course, 3 semester units

- CMST 14 Argumentation and Debate (3) – *Does not apply to UC English Composition (UC-E) admission requirement*
- ENGL C1001 Critical Thinking and Writing (3) (was ENGL 11)
- MATH 7 Formal Logic and Writing (3)
- PHIL 8 Methods of Argument (3)

1C Oral Communication

One course, 3 semester units

- CMST 4 Small Group Communication (3)
- COMM C1000 Introduction to Public Speaking (3) (was CMST 2)

Area 2 - Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning

One course, 3 semester units

- MATH 12 Mathematics for Business Decisions (Finite Mathematics) (3)
- MATH 12s Mathematics for Business Decisions (Finite Mathematics) with Support (3)
- MATH 13 Survey of Calculus (4)
- MATH 13s Survey of Calculus with Support (4)
- MATH 26 College Algebra (4)
- MATH 26s College Algebra with Support (4)
- MATH 28 Precalculus (4)
- MATH 28s Precalculus with Support (4)
- MATH 32 Analytic Geometry and Calculus III (4)
- MATH 40 Differential Equations (4)
- MATH 42 Linear Algebra (3)
- MATH C2210 Calculus I: Early Transcendentals (5) (was MATH 30)
- MATH C2210E Calculus I: Early Transcendentals - Embedded Support (5) (was MATH 30s)
- MATH C2220 Calculus II: Early Transcendentals (4) (was MATH 31)
- STAT C1000 Introduction to Statistics (4) (was MATH 18)
- STAT C1000E Introduction to Statistics (4) (was MATH 18s)

Area 3 - Arts and Humanities

Two courses, 6 semester units, with one course each from 3A and 3B

3A Arts

- ART 1 Art Appreciation (3)**
- ART 3 Asian Art History Survey (3)**
- ART 5 1800 to Present Art History Survey (3)
- ART 6 African, Oceanic, and Native American Art History Survey (3)**
- ARTH C1100 Survey of Art from Prehistory to the Medieval Era (3)** (was ART 2)
- ARTH C1200 Survey of Art from the Renaissance to Contemporary (3)** (was ART 4)
- DRAM 2 Introduction to Theatre (3)
- DRAM 3 Theatre History (3)
- MUS 1 Music Appreciation (3)
- MUS 2 Rap and Hip Hop Culture (3)*
- MUS 5 American Popular Music (3)

- MUS 6 Women and Music (3)**
- MUS 7 Jazz Appreciation (3)
- MUS 8 Music of Latin America and the Caribbean (3)**
- MUS 9 World Music (3)**
- PHO 1 History of Photography (3)
- RTVF 15 Introduction to Film (3)

3B Humanities

- ASL 3 American Sign Language III (4)*
- ASL 4 American Sign Language IV (4)*
- CMST 6 Oral Interpretation (3)
- ENGL 8 British Literature I (3)
- ENGL 10 British Literature II (3)
- ENGL 14 U.S. Literature I (3)
- ENGL 15 Film as Literature (3)
- ENGL 16 U.S. Literature II (3)
- ENGL 20 Introduction to Poetry (3)
- ENGL 25 Introduction to Shakespeare (3)
- ENGL 26 Queer Film and Literature (3)*
- ENGL 31 Existential Literature: A Literary Approach to Self Integration (3)
- ENGL 35 Cross-Cultural Film and Literature (3)**
- ENGL 47 Native American Literature (3)*
- ENGL C1002 Introduction to Literature (3) (was ENGL 4)
- HIST 18 Multicultural History of the United States (3)**
- HIST 21 History of Western Civilization I (3)
- HIST 23 History of Western Civilization II (3)
- HIST 26 Men and Women in American History (3)**
- HIST 30 History of the African American (3)*
- HIST C1001 United States History to 1877 (3)^ (was HIST 8)
- HIST C1002 United States History since 1865 (3) (was HIST 10)
- KIN 4 Sports in Film (3)
- PHIL 2 Introduction to Philosophy (3)
- PHIL 4 Introduction to Ethics and the Good Life (3)
- PHIL 10 History of Ancient Philosophy (3)
- PHIL 16 Western Religions (3)
- PHIL 18 Eastern Religions (3)**
- SPAN 14 Hispanic Short Stories (3)
- SPAN 16 Hispanic Film (3)

Area 4 - Social and Behavioral Sciences

Two courses, 6 semester units, from two different disciplines

Agriculture Business

- AB 22 Agricultural Economics (3)

Agriculture Science

- AGS 10 World Food and Hunger Issues (3)**

Allied Health

- ALH 5 Health and Social Justice (3)

American Sign Language

- ASL 10 Introduction to American Deaf Culture (3)

Anthropology

- ANTH 4 Cultural Anthropology (3)**
- ANTH 13 Magic, Witchcraft and Religion (3)**
- ANTH 14 Language and Culture (3)
- ANTH 16 Introduction to Archeology (3)**
- ANTH 18 World Cultures (3)**
- ANTH 32 Native Americans (3)*
- ANTH 33 Ancient Mesoamerica (3)**

Child Development

- CDEV C1000 Child Growth and Development (3)* (was CDF 14)

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Communication Studies

- CMST 9 Intercultural Communication (3)*
- CMST 13 Gender and Communication (3)

Economics

- ECON 20 Economic History of the U.S. (3)^
- ECON C2001 Principles of Microeconomics (3) (was ECON 4)
- ECON C2002 Principles of Macroeconomics (3) (was ECON 2)

Ethnic Studies

- ETHS 1 Introduction to Ethnic Studies (3)*
- ETHS 10 Introduction to Chicano Studies (3)
- ETHS 30 Introduction to African American Studies (3)

Geography

- GEOG 4 Cultural Geography (3)**
- GEOG 8 World Regional Geography (3)**
- GEOG 10 Geography of California (3)*

History

- HIST 3 World History to 1500 (3)**
- HIST 5 World History Since 1500 (3)**
- HIST 18 Multicultural History of the United States (3)^

Multicultural and Gender Studies

- MCGS 8 Introduction to Multicultural and Gender Studies (3)*
- MCGS 10 Introduction to Women's Studies (3)*

Natural Resources

- NR 26 Environmental World (3)

Political Science

- POLS C1000 American Government and Politics (3)^ (was POS 2)
- POS 3 Comparative Politics (3)
- POS 16 Vital Political Problems (3)
- POS 18 International Relations (3)

Psychology

- PSY 6 Abnormal Psychology (3)
- PSY 15 Lifespan Psychology (3)
- PSY 41 Socio-Cultural Context of Psychological Development (3)*
- PSYC C1000 Introduction to Psychology (3) (was PSY 1)

Radio, TV, Film

- RTVF 12 Mass Media and Society (3)

Sociology

- SOC 4 Modern Social Problems (3)
- SOC 5 Our Sustainable Future (3)
- SOC 10 Introduction to Crime and Society (3)
- SOC 14 Sociology of Gender (3)*
- SOC 20 Introduction to Race and Ethnicity (3)*
- SOC 30 Sociology of Inequality (3)*
- SOCI C1000 Introduction to Sociology (3) (was SOC 2)

Area 5 - Physical and Biological Sciences

At least two courses, 7 semester units minimum, with one course each from 5A and 5B.

One of the two courses must include a laboratory to complete the 5C requirement. Courses meeting this requirement are marked with a ° symbol.

5A Physical Sciences

- AGS 50 General Soils (4)°
- ASTR C1000 Introduction to Astronomy with Lab (4)° (was PSC 30)
- CHEM 1 General Chemistry I (5)°
- CHEM 2 General Chemistry II (5)°
- CHEM 11 Introduction to Chemistry (4)°
- CHEM 21 Organic Chemistry I (5)°
- CHEM 22 Organic Chemistry II (5)°

- CHEM 51 Elementary Inorganic Chemistry (5)°
- CHEM 52 Elementary Organic and Biochemistry (4)°
- GEOG 2/3 Physical Geography with Lab (4)°
- GEOL 32 Physical Geology with Lab (4)°
- GEOL 34 Historical Geology with Lab (4)°
- PHYS 10/11 Concepts of Physics with Lab (4)°
- PHYS 21 College Physics I (4)°
- PHYS 22 College Physics II (4)°
- PHYS 41 Physics for Scientists and Engineers I (4)°
- PHYS 42 Physics for Scientists and Engineers II (4)°
- PHYS 43 Physics for Scientists and Engineers III (4)°
- PSC 10 Introduction to Environmental Science (4)°
- PSC 11 Earth Science with Lab (4)°
- PSC 12 Concepts in Physical Science (4)°
- PSC 27 Survey of the Universe (3)
- PSC 50/51 Introduction to Weather with Lab (4)°
- PSC 53 Natural Disasters and Hazards (3)

5B Biological Sciences

- AGS 20 Plant Science (3)°
- ANTH C1001 (was ANTH 2)/C1001L Introduction to Biological Anthropology with Lab (4)°
- BIOL 2 Introduction to Human Biology (3)
- BIOL 5 Ecology and Field Biology (4)°
- BIOL 7 Sustaining Life on Earth (3)
- BIOL 9 Current Issues in Biology (3)
- BIOL 10 Survey of Human Systems (4)°
- BIOL 15 Introduction to Microbiology (4)°
- BIOL 20 Human Anatomy (4)°
- BIOL 21 Human Physiology (4)°
- BIOL 41 Cell and Molecular Biology (5)°
- BIOL 42 Organismal Biology (5)°
- BIOL 43 Ecology and Evolution (5)°
- BIOL C1000 Introduction to Biology with Lab (4)° (was BIOL 1)
- PSY 3 Introduction to Biological Psychology (3)

Area 6 - Ethnic Studies

One course, 3 semester units

- ETHS 10 Introduction to Chicano Studies (3)
- ETHS 30 Introduction to African American Studies (3)
- ETHS 40 Introduction to Asian American Studies (3)

Symbol Key

() = Parentheses used to indicate number of units and/or former course numbers

***** = U.S. Diversity graduation requirement for Chico State

****** = Global Cultures graduation requirement for Chico State

^ = U.S. History graduation requirement (US-1) for CSU system

^^ = Government graduation requirement (US-2/US-3) for CSU system

° = Contains a lab component

Cal-GETC – CSEP (Requirements for transfer subject to change. Coursework subject to re-evaluation at the transfer institution.)

Student Name: _____ **Phone #** _____ **ID#** _____

Academic Program (major): _____ **Approx. # Terms to become transfer eligible** _____

Educational Goal: **Transfer** _____ **Transfer with AA/AS** _____ **Transfer to:** _____

Progress towards CSU minimum transfer standards	Met	IP	2026-2027 Butte College Cal-GETC Courses listed in more than one Area can only be counted in one Area	Met	IP	Other school course
60 transferable units			AREA 1 – ENGLISH COMMUNICATION One course from 1A, 1B and 1C			
2.0 transfer GPA			1A English Composition (1 course, 3 semester units) ENGL C1000 (was ENGL 2), C1000E (was ENGL 3)			
30 units GE			1B Critical Thinking and Composition (1 course, 3 semester units): CMST 14 (not UC-E) ENGL C1001 (was ENGL 11) MATH 7 PHIL 8			
1A:			1C Oral Communication (1 course, 3 semester units): CMST 4 COMM C1000 (was CMST 2)			
1B:			AREA 2 – MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS and QUANTITATIVE REASONING One course, minimum 3 semester units required			
1C:						
2:			MATH 12, 12s, 13, 13s, 26, 26s, 28, 28s, 32, 40, 42, C2210 (was MATH 30), C2210E (was MATH 30s), C2220 (was MATH 31) STAT C1000 (was MATH 18), C1000E (was MATH 18s)			
Major Coursework	Met	IP	AREA 3 – ARTS and HUMANITIES Two courses, 6 semester units, one each from 3A and 3B			
			3A Arts: ART1** , 3**, 5, 6** ARTH C1100** (was ART 2), C1200** (was ART 4) DRAM 2, 3 MUS 1, 2*, 5, 6**, 7, 8**, 9** PHO 1 RTVF 15			
			3B Humanities: ASL 3*, 4* CMST 6 ENGL 8, 10, 14, 15, 16, 20, 25, 26*, 31, 35**, 47*, C1002 (was ENGL 4) HIST 18**, 21, 23, 26**^, 30*, C1001^ (was HIST 8), C1002 (was HIST 10) KIN 4 PHIL 2, 4, 10, 16, 18** SPAN 14, 16			
			AREA 4 – SOCIAL and BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES Two courses, six semester units, from two different disciplines			
			AB 22 AGS 10** ALH 5 ASL 10 ANTH 4**, 13**, 14, 16**, 18**, 32*, 33** CDEV C1000* (was CDF 14) CMST 9*, 13 ECON 20^, C2001 (was ECON 4), C2002 (was ECON 2), ETHS 1*, 10, 30 GEOG 4**, 8**, 10* HIST 3**, 5**, 18** MCGS 8*, 10* NR 26 POLS C1000^^ (was POS 2) POS 3, 16, 18 PSY 6, 15, 41* PSYC C1000 (was PSY 1) RTVF 12 SOC 4, 5, 10, 14*, 20*, 30* SOCI C1000 (was SOC 2)			
			2 nd course from Area 4 in a different discipline (see GE Guide for course list by discipline)			
			AREA 5 – PHYSICAL and BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES At least two courses, 7 semester units minimum, one each from 5A and 5B. One of the two courses must include a laboratory (marked °) to fulfill 5C.			
			5A Physical Science: AGS 50°, ASTR C1000 (was PSC 30) CHEM 1°, 2°, 11°, 21°, 22°, 51°, 52° GEOG 2/3° GEOL 32°, 34° PHYS 10/11°, 21°, 22°, 41°, 42°, 43° PSC 10°, 11°, 12°, 27, 50/51°, 53			
			5B Biological Science: AGS 20° ANTH C1001 (was ANTH 2)/C1001L° BIOL 2, 5°, 7, 9, 10°, 15°, 20°, 21°, 41°, 42°, 43°, C1000° (was BIOL 1) PSY 3			
			5C Laboratory Activity: The 5C requirement is met with the completion of a laboratory course or laboratory component from a 5A or 5B course, marked with a "°"			
			AREA 6 – ETHNIC STUDIES - One course, 3 semester units			
			ETHS 10, 30, 40			
Semester:			U.S. HISTORY, CONSTITUTION & AMERICAN IDEALS (CSU) & AMERICAN HISTORY & INSTITUTIONS: One course each from U.S. History and Government meet both CSU and UC graduation requirements. For UC this requirement may be met by coursework completed in high school. See a counselor for more information.			
			U.S. History: ECON 20, HIST 18*, 26, C1001 (was HIST 8) <i>History C1002 (was HIST 10) accepted for U.S. History by Chico State University</i>			
			Government: POLS C1000 (was POS 2) POS 12‡ ‡ POS 12 can be used to meet the Category 2 requirement for CSU only. It cannot be used for UC.			
			CSU, Chico: *U.S. Diversity ** Global Cultures			
Semester:			Notes:			
			Counselor _____ Date _____			