



Section IV

REQUIREMENTS FOR COLLEGE TRANSFER



CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY AND UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA LOCATIONS

University of California (UC)

UC Website: www.ucop.edu/pathways

- UC, Berkeley
- UC, Davis
- UC, Irvine
- UC, Los Angeles
- UC, Merced
- UC, Riverside
- UC, San Diego
- UC, San Francisco
- UC, Santa Barbara
- UC, Santa Cruz



California State University (CSU)

CSU Website: www.csumentor.edu

- CA Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
- CA Polytechnic State University, Pomona
- CSU, Bakersfield
- CSU, Channel Islands
- CSU, Chico
- CSU, Domingues Hills
- CSU, East Bay
- CSU, Fresno
- CSU, Fullerton
- CSU, Long Beach
- CSU, Los Angeles
- CA Maritime Academy
- CSU, Monterey Bay
- CSU, Northridge
- CSU, Sacramento
- CSU, San Bernardino
- CSU, San Marcos
- CSU, Sonoma
- CSU, Stanislaus
- Humboldt State University
- San Diego State University
- San Francisco State University
- San Jose State University

REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSFER TO A FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY

Norco College offers programs of study that align with the first two years (freshman and sophomore levels) at most four-year colleges and universities. Information on many of the four-year universities can be found in the Transfer Center. Requirements for admission, general education, and major preparation are different at each four-year institution so it is important to make an appointment to meet with a counselor during your first semester to develop a Student Educational Plan (SEP), which will list all the required courses to reach your goal.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY (CSU)

CSU Minimum Admissions Requirements

Upper Division Transfer Students will be eligible for admission if they meet the following requirements:

1. Complete a minimum of 60 CSU-transferable semester units or 90 transferable quarter units.
2. Obtain a minimum 2.0 GPA. GPA requirements may be significantly higher if the campus or the major is impacted.
3. Complete at least 30 semester units (or 45 quarter units) of courses equivalent to general education requirements with grades of “C” or better. The 30 units must include the “Golden Four” [Area A-1: Oral Communication; Area A-2: Written Communication; Area A-3: Critical Thinking; and at least one course of at least 3 semester units (or 4 quarter units) in Area B-4: Mathematics/Quantitative reasoning.]

It is highly recommended that students complete either the CSU GE or IGETC certification pattern prior to transferring to the CSU system.

CSU GE CERTIFICATION

The California State University system requires that 48 semester units of general education must be completed to be eligible for a bachelor’s degree. Nine of these units are upper-division (junior/senior level) and are to be taken at the CSU campus after transfer. Norco College can certify 39 of these units as having met all of the lower division (freshman/sophomore level) general education requirements. Although it is not an admission requirement, it is to the student’s advantage to complete all areas of the general education pattern and have them certified.

Full certification by the community college will be accepted without the need to take additional lower-division general education courses at the CSU campus. Advanced Placement (AP) test credit, certain CLEP exams, and coursework completed at regionally accredited U.S. colleges and universities may be used to fulfill some CSU GE requirements. Coursework must be evaluated through the office of evaluations or by the Norco College articulation officer. International coursework may only be applied to CSU GE if the international institution has United States regional accreditation. All other international coursework cannot be applied to CSU GE.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA (UC)

UC Minimum Admission Requirements

Upper Division Transfer students will be eligible for admission if they meet the following requirements:

1. Complete a minimum of 60 UC-transferable semester units or 90 transferable quarter units.
2. Obtain a minimum 2.4 GPA (2.8 for California non-residents). At many UC campuses, admission is competitive and the required GPA can be significantly higher.
3. Complete the following course pattern with a grade of “C” or better in each course:
 - Complete two transferable college courses in English Composition (three semester units or four to five quarter units each).
 - Complete one transferable course in mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning (three semester or four to five quarter units).
 - Complete four transferable college courses (three semester or 4-5 quarter units each) from at least two of the following subject areas: arts and humanities, social and behavioral sciences, physical and biological sciences.

The majority of UC campuses give high priority to students who have completed major preparation courses.

Students who complete the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) pattern prior to transfer to the UC system will satisfy the transfer eligibility coursework listed in item 3 above.

IGETC CERTIFICATION

Completion of the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) will permit a student to transfer to a campus in either the California State University (CSU) or University of California (UC) System without the need, after transfer, to take additional lower-division general education courses to satisfy campus general education. Courses used for IGETC certification must be completed with grades of “C” or better and must be a minimum of three semester or four to five quarter units. **Grades of C- are not acceptable.** A course cannot be certified unless it was on the IGETC list during the year when it was taken. Students beginning in Fall 2019 must follow the 2019-2020 IGETC requirements. Advanced Placement (AP) test credit and coursework completed at regionally accredited U.S. colleges and universities may be used to fulfill some IGETC requirements. Coursework must be evaluated through the office of evaluations or by the Norco College articulation officer. International coursework may only be applied to IGETC if the international institution has United States regional accreditation. All other international coursework cannot be applied to IGETC.

Partial IGETC Certification

Partial IGETC certification is allowed with a maximum of two courses missing, which have to be completed after transfer. Students need Areas 1 and 2 of the IGETC completed to meet minimum transfer admission requirements. A deficiency in Area 1 and/or 2 may also indicate a student does not meet the minimum transfer requirements.

UC IGETC Limitation

Some of the UC campuses do not accept or recommend IGETC for certain majors, (e.g., Engineering, Sciences). Students should consult with a counselor to determine the most appropriate general education pattern for their major and intended transfer institution.

How to Request Certification

Students can apply for IGETC or CSU GE certification at the last community college attended prior to transfer. Students can request IGETC or CSU GE certification on the transcript request form found in the Norco College Admissions & Records department or through their WebAdvisor account.

MAJOR PREPARATION COURSES FOR TRANSFER

For each major at a four-year institution, there are lower-division (freshman and sophomore level) major preparation requirements. Students should complete as many lower-division major courses as possible prior to transfer. Each four-year university has its own programs and major requirements. It is recommended that students see a counselor, on a regular basis, to determine the courses needed to transfer to CSU, UC or a private university.

ASSIST

Major preparation courses for CSU and UC campuses can be found on ASSIST (www.assist.org). ASSIST is an online student-transfer information system that shows how course credits earned at a California Community College can be applied when transferred to a CSU or UC campus.

COURSE IDENTIFICATION NUMBERING SYSTEM (C-ID)

The Course Identification Numbering System (C-ID) is a statewide numbering system independent from the course numbers assigned by local California community colleges. A C-ID number next to a course signals that participating California colleges and universities have determined that courses offered by other California community colleges are comparable in content and scope to courses offered on their own campuses, regardless of their unique titles or local course number. Thus, if a schedule of classes or catalog lists a course bearing a C-ID number, for example COMM 110, students at that college can be assured that it will be accepted in lieu of a course bearing the C-ID COMM 110 designation at another community college. In other words, the C-ID designation can be used to identify comparable courses at different community colleges. However, students should always go to www.assist.org to confirm how each college's course will be accepted at a particular four-year college or university for transfer credit.

The C-ID numbering system is useful for students attending more than one community college and is applied to many of the transferable courses students need as preparation for transfer. Course requirements may change or courses deleted from the C-ID database. As a result, students should always check with a counselor to determine how C-ID designated courses fit into their educational plans for transfer.

Counselors can always help students interpret or explain C-ID designations.

PRIVATE AND OUT-OF-STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Each private or out-of-state college/university has its set of requirements for admission and for graduation. For students looking to transfer to a private, independent or out-of-state college/university, you can meet with a counselor to see if Norco College has an articulation agreement with the school you are interested in. Also, some private and out-of-state universities do accept the CSU GE or IGETC pattern. Be sure to ask your counselor if this is the case with your school of interest. If there is no articulation agreement with the school, you may need to contact the school's admissions office for more information. After researching the transfer admission requirements, students are encouraged to follow up with a Norco College counselor or a representative from the school of interest. The Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities is a good source of information for private four-year institutions in California. Their website can be accessed at www.aiccu.edu.



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ASSOCIATE DEGREES FOR TRANSFER (ADT)

California Community Colleges are now offering associate degrees for transfer to the CSU. These may include Associate in Arts (AA-T) or Associate in Science (AS-T) degrees. These degrees are designed to provide a clear pathway to a CSU major and baccalaureate degree. California Community College students who are awarded an AA-T or AS-T degree are guaranteed admission with junior standing somewhere in the CSU system and given priority admission consideration to their local CSU campus or to a program that is deemed similar to their community college major. This priority does not guarantee admission to specific majors or campuses.

Students who have been awarded an AA-T or AS-T are able to complete their remaining requirements for the 120-unit baccalaureate degree within 60 semester or 90 quarter units. To view the most current list of Norco College Associate Degrees for Transfer and to find out which CSU campuses accept each degree, please go to: www.calstate.edu/transfer/ad-search/search.shtml.

Students are encouraged to meet with a Norco College counselor to review their options for transfer and to develop an educational plan that best meets their goals and needs.