

## CSU GE Breadth and IGETC similarities and differences:

In practice, the IGETC pattern is more restrictive. Courses that are approved for IGETC are automatically approved for the corresponding Area(s) or Subarea(s) in CSU GE Breadth if the CCC also requests it in the course proposal. However, not all courses approved for CSU GE Breadth are approved for IGETC. The exception to this rule is CSU GE Subarea A1 (IGETC 1C). Approval for courses in this Subarea is based solely on the CSU decision.

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Units	A single course may carry any number of units. However, courses of less than 3 semester (or 4 quarter) units are rarely approved for CSU GE (except for physical activity courses). Stand-alone lab courses, which have a prerequisite or co-requisite of the corresponding lecture course, must be a minimum of 1 semester/quarter unit.	Each course must carry a minimum of 3 semester (or 4 quarter) units. Stand-alone lab courses which have a prerequisite or co-requisite of the corresponding lecture course must be a minimum 1 semester/quarter unit.
Minimum Grade	Any passing grade will count for courses other than the golden four which require a C- or better: Written Communication, Oral Communication, Critical Thinking, and Quantitative Reasoning.	Only grades of C or better will count for any courses.
Ethnic Studies	CSU GE lower-division, 3 semester (4 quarter) unit course requirement.	Does not require Ethnic Studies for students transferring to the UC.

Guiding Notes for General Education Course Review

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Oral Communication	Requires Oral Communication course for students transferring to the CSU.	Does not require Oral Communication course for students transferring to the UC.
Mathematics and Quantitative Reasoning	Courses in Subarea B4 will have a prerequisite reflective only of the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in the course.	Completion of a Mathematics, Statistics, or other Quantitative Reasoning course. Historically, the prerequisite for 2A courses was intermediate algebra or equivalent.* Currently, some courses use intermediate algebra as a prerequisite but others include co-requisite content or build the prerequisite skill development into the course itself.
Lifelong Learning	Includes an area in Lifelong Understanding and Self-Development.	No area in Lifelong Understanding and Self-Development
LOTE	Does not require Language Other Than English (LOTE).	Requires Language Other Than English (LOTE) for students transferring to the UC.