

General Education Transfer Guidelines for Azusa Pacific University

General Education courses at APU focus on the broad, survey aspect of a subject area. While it is possible for a course to be too broad, more often the courses in question are much too narrow in scope. Look to match the transfer course content with APU course content. Please consult the APU catalog to review the General Education courses and descriptions before selecting a transfer course. Then, search your institution's catalog to find comparable courses. Keep in mind that some majors may require a specific General Education course. Be sure to check your intended major's requirements in the APU catalog to determine which General Education courses may be required for your major as well.

GE Requirement	Helpful Hints & Comments
Freshman Writing Seminar (Composition)	A first semester composition course often titled "Freshman Composition" or "College Composition" and must include a research paper.
Public Communication	Public speaking. Must contain at least 3 individual public speeches. Cannot be taken as a hybrid course.
Health Education	Lecture course that must emphasize stress, diet, nutrition, communicable and chronic diseases, alcohol and drug abuse, lifestyles, childbirth, physical fitness, and environmental health. Courses that focus on only one of these topics will not be accepted to meet this requirement (Nutrition, Stress, First Aid, etc.)
Fitness for Life	Any physical activity course with a cardio component and instruction in fitness principles.
Foreign Language	One full academic year (2 semesters or 3 quarters) of the same foreign language are required. High School courses taken do not waive this requirement. Must be college level. Cannot be taken as an online course unless the Department of Modern Languages' Transfer Verification Test is successfully completed and passed for the language of study. Transfer Verification Tests must be taken prior to a student's final semester. Languages available for testing are Spanish, French, Italian, German, Chinese, Japanese, and American Sign Language. Please contact the Department of Modern Languages for more information.
Mathematics	Course must be from the Math department and have a pre-requisite of Intermediate Algebra. Certain majors, however, require College Algebra.
Aesthetics & the Creative Arts	A broad, survey course in Art or Music. Examples: Introduction to Art, Art History, Art Appreciation, Music Fundamentals, History of Music, or Music Appreciation.
Heritage & Institutions – History/Political Science	Look for a world or U.S. History course (usually split into 2 historical time periods). Also Introduction to Government and Introduction to Humanities courses.
Heritage & Institutions – Philosophy	Introduction to Philosophy - covering the beginnings of philosophical thought, including Plato, Descartes, Aristotle...etc. Ethics, Logic, and/or Critical Thinking will not meet this requirement.
Identity & Relationships	Introduction to Sociology, General Psychology, or Human/Lifespan Development (course work must include entire lifespan).
Language & Literature	An Introduction to Literature, exploring literary genres of poetry, fiction, and drama, Introduction to World Literature, or Introduction to American Literature. We will <u>not</u> accept Critical Thinking courses or Advanced Composition courses. Must not be a writing course, but a broad survey of literature.
Nature	Lecture and Lab component required. Any basic course in the life or physical sciences. Fundamentals of Biology, General Biology, Fundamentals of Chemistry, General Chemistry, Introduction to Astronomy (emphasis on stellar systems), Physical Geology/Geography, Fundamentals of Physics, General Physics, Oceanography, Zoology, Marine Biology. Physical Anthropology courses will not meet this requirement. Cannot be taken as an online course.

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God's Word and the Christian Response and General Education Upper-Division Requirements	<p><u>0-29 units at transfer:</u> MIN 108, UBBL 100, UBBL 230, Theology, Senior Seminar, Upper-Division Writing Intensive</p> <p><u>30-44 units at transfer:</u> MIN 108, UBBL 100, Theology, Senior Seminar</p> <p><u>45-89 units at transfer:</u> 6 units of GE-approved UBBL, MIN, or THEO, Senior Seminar</p> <p><u>90+ units at transfer:</u> 3 units of GE-approved UBBL, MIN, or THEO, Senior Seminar</p>
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IGETC/CSU GE

APU accepts the completed Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education Breadth (CSU GE) certification as fulfilling the lower-division General Education requirements. However, students with completed IGETC or CSU GE Certification will still be required to complete the Upper-division Writing Intensive requirement, Senior Seminar, and the requisite number of "God's Word and the Christian Response" requirements.

Please Note: Certification must be completed by January 31st for spring admits and September 30th for fall admits. Some majors require a specific Math course and may require foreign language courses.

APU TRANSFER POLICY REMINDERS

APU may accept transfer credit for courses from schools accredited by regional agencies recognized by the Council for Higher Education Administration (CHEA). APU may also accept a maximum of 12 units of non-general education elective credit from institutions accredited by the following faith-related organizations:

- Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE)
- Association of Theological Schools (ATS)
- Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS)

All courses must be baccalaureate level and intended for transfer. APU will accept any course designated as transferable to the CSU or UC for units (California Community Colleges only). Remedial courses and vocational/technical courses are not accepted.

Students must complete transfer work with a grade of C- or higher. APU's credit is given on a 4.0 grade scale.

No upper-division credit can be given for courses taken at a two-year college.

The university can give credit for no more than 70 units of coursework from a two-year college, no more than 90 units from a four-year institution, and no more than 90 units from a combination of two-year and four-year schools.

All quarter units will be converted to semester units. APU grants two semester units credit for every three quarter units.