

CSUB General Education and Graduation Requirements – Term: Fall 2025 For Students Admitted Spring 2025 or earlier

First Year Seminar

FYS- General (Take One Course)

CSUB 1029 First Year Seminar

FYS- Business (Take One Course)

BA 1028 FYS for Business Majors

FYS- Engineering (Take Two Course)

ECE/ENGR 1618 Intro to Engr I

ECE/ENGR 1628 Intro to Engr II

FYS- Music (Take One Course)

MUS 1408 Fundamentals of Music

Subject Areas 1 & 2 – Foundational Skills: Take one course from each sub-area. Must be completed with a grade of C- or higher. (Prior: Area A and B4)

Area 1A – English Composition (Prior: A2)

ENGL 1109 Writing and Research

Area 1B – Critical Thinking (Prior: A3)

PHIL 1019 Critical Thinking

PHIL 2019 Ethical Reasoning

SOC 1018 Contemp Social Problems

Area 1C – Oral Communication (Prior: A1)

COMM 1008 Strat for Public Speaking

THTR 1009 The Art of Presentation

Area 2 – Math Concepts and Quant Reasoning (Prior: B4)

KINE 2018 Intro to Stats for Health Sci

MATH 1209 Stats in Modern World

PSYC 2018 Intro to Stat Methods in Psc Res

SOC 2208 Intro to Stats in the Social Sci

SELF-Student Enrichment & Lifelong Fulfillment: Take one course that can double count in another area or a stand-alone course.

SELF

BA 1028 FYS for Business Majors (FYS)

ERM 4908 Senior Seminar

INST 2329 Sexual Ethics[C2]Q

KINE 1018 Lifetime Fitness

PHIL 2329 Sexual Ethics[C2]Q

PSYC 4358 Positive Psych (OC)Q[UDD]

SOC 2018 Self and Society

THTR 1008 Beginning Acting [C1]

SELF - Chemistry

CHEM 3908 Seminar in Chemical Literature

CHEM 3948 Seminar in Biochemical Literature

Subject Area 3 - Arts and Humanities: Take one course from each sub-area. (Prior: Area C)

Area 3A Arts (Prior: C1)

ART 1009 Pract & App Visual Art (WC-co){R}

ART 1019 Art in Context

ART 2508 Surv of Art Prehist-1400 (WC){R}

ART 2608 Art 1400 to Present (WC){R}

MUS 1019 Music Appreciation

MUS 1039 Jazz Appreciation (WC-co){R}

THTR 1008 Beginning Acting [SELF]

THTR 1019 Dyn Ldr thr Improv (WC){Q}

Area 3B Humanities (Prior: C2)

COMM 2038 Visual Language (CT){R}

COMM 2518 Intro to Film Studies (WC)

ENGL 1208 Intro to Literature

ENGL 2208 American Literature Survey I (CT){R}

ENGL 2308 British Literature Survey I (WC){R}

ENGL 2518 Intro to Film Studies (WC){S}

HIST 1418 World History Pt. 1 (WC-co){R}

HIST 1428 World History Pt. 2 (WC-co){R}

MODL 2318 International Film & Culture

PHIL 1119 Intro to Philosophy

PHIL 1319 Contemporary Moral Issues (CT){S}

PHIL/INST 2329 Sexual Ethics {Q} [SELF]

RS 1108 Jesus, Buddha & the Moral Life

RS 1128 A History of God (WC-co){R}

RS 1138 Religions of Asia (WC-co){R}

RS 2018 Anime Spiritualities (WC) {Q}

Subject Area 4 - Social and Behavioral Sciences: Any catalog prior to 2021-22, take two courses in different disciplines. Catalog year 2021-22 or later, take one course. (Prior: Area D))

ANTH 1118 Intro to Archaeology (WC-co) {R}

ANTH 1318 Intro to Cultural Anthropology

CRJU 1108 Intro to Criminal Justice

ECON 2018 Essentials of Micro-Economics

ECON 2028 Essentials of Macro-Economics

PSYC 1018 Explorations in Psychology

SOC 1008 Intro to Sociology

Subject Area 5 - Physical and Biological Sciences: Take one course from each sub-area. (Prior: Area B)

Area 5A Physical Science (3-units; Prior: B1)

CHEM 1019 Chemistry of Wine & Beer

GEOL 1009 How the Earth Works

GEOL 1209 Earthquakes, Volc and Nat Disasters

Area 5B Biological Science (3-units; Prior: B2)

BIOL 1009 Perspectives in Biology

BIOL 1039 Principles of Ecology

Subject Area 6 - Ethnic Studies: Catalog year 2021-22 or later, take one course. Any earlier catalog, no course is required. (Prior: Area F)

ETHS 1208 Intro to Ethnic Studies (OC) {R}

ETHS 1308 Intro to Asian Am & Pac Isl (OC) {R}

JYDR - Junior Year Diversity and Reflection: Take one course

BA 3008 Diversity in Business Org. (WC)

COMM 3088 Gender and Communications (WC)

ECON 3008 Gender and Div in Workplace (WC)

EDSP 3268 People with Disab & Am Edu (WC)

EDTE 3308 Sociocultural Foundation of Edu (WC)

ENGL 3119 Advanced Writing (WC) [GWAR]

HIST 3228 American Indian History (WC)

HIST 3408 Afro-Asian: Anti-Racism Glb Hist (WC)

INST 3128 Gender and Sexuality (WC-co)

INST 3138 Ethnicity and Culture (WC-co)

KINE 3338 Woman, Sport, and Physical Act. (WC)

PH 3218 Health Equity (WC)

PHIL 3548 Race, Class, Gender and Sexuality (WC)

PSYC 3638 The Psc of Sexual Orientation (WC)

RS 3368 Women, Religion and Sexuality (WC)

SOC 3208 Jr Diversity and Research Ethics (WC)

THTR 3138 Women Playwrights (WC)

Key

WC: English Composition (Area 1A)

CT: Critical Thinking (Area 2A)

OC: Oral Communication (Area 3A)

QR: Quantitative Reasoning (Area 2)

“-co”: Co-Requisite

Prior: Refers to the previous GE labels used Spring 2025 and in all prior terms.



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Upper Division Thematic Courses: Take two courses (one course from each of the Areas outside of the area represented by the student's major). Students must have completed at least 60 units and the corresponding lower-division GE area before enrolling in UD Area 3, UD Area 4, or UD Area 5.

Upper Division Subject Area 3 – Arts or Humanities: Take one course (Prior: Upper Division C)

UD 3 (CT) (Prior: UDC)

ART 3618	Rev. Art of 19th Cent. (WC){R}
ART 3648	Hist of Photography (WC){R}
COMM 3038	Video Game Analysis (WC){R}
COMM 3058	Intercultural Comm. (WC){S}
COMM 3078	Mass Media & Soc. (WC){R}
COMM 3089	Comm & the Environ (WC){S}
COMM 3098	World Film History (WC){R}
HIST 4248	Film & Identity in Hist (WC){R}
MUS 3019	Musical Drama (WC){Q}
MUS 3039	America's Musical Life (WC){Q}
PHIL 3258	Existentialism (WC){Q}
PHIL 3318	Prof Ethics (WC){Q}
PHIL 3338	Business Ethics (WC){S}
PHIL 3358	Phil, Tech & Our Future (WC){R}
RS 3208	Explorations in Scripture (WC){R}
RS 3528	Holocaust & Impact (WC){S}
RS 3548	Spiritual Quest (WC){Q}
RS 3558	Rel and Poli in the Mod World (OC){R}
RS 3608	Religious Lit for the Prof (WC){S}
RS 4518	The Meaning of Death (WC){Q}
RS 4528	Rel, Ethics, and Soc. Justice (WC){S}
THTR 3108	Antiquity to Rebirth (OC){Q}

Upper Division Subject Area 4 – Social and Behavioral Sciences: Take one course (Prior: Upper Division D)

UD 4 (CT) (Prior: UDD)

ANTH 3308	Anthropology Through Film (WC){Q}
ANTH 3318	Peoples of Mexico (WC){S}
BA 3108	Business and Society. (OC){S}
CRJU 3318	Women & CJ System (WC){S}
CRJU 3448	Drugs & Crime (WC){S}
CRJU 3608	Gangs in America (WC){Q}
CRJU 4638	Victims & CJ System (WC){S}
ECON 3508	Environ Economics (QR){S}
ENGL 4648	Sociolinguistics (WC){Q}
KINE 3118	Epidemiology & Wellness (OC){Q}
PLSI 3228	Pol & Reli in the U.S. (WC){R}
PLSI 3428	California Politics (WC){S} [SELF]
PLSI 3648	Food Politics & Policy (WC){S}
PPA 3408	Policy Networks (WC){S}
PSYC 4358	Positive Psych (OC){Q}
SOC 3008	Social Psychology (WC){Q}
SOC 3408	Gender and Society (WC){S}
SOC 4038	Technology and Society (WC){R}
SOC 4068	The Civil Rights Movement (WC){R}

Upper Division Subject Area 5 – Science: Take one course (Prior: Upper Division B)

UD 5 (QR) (Prior: UDB)

BIO 3318	Rev Ideas in Human Bio (CT){R}
GEOL 3318	California Geology & Society (WC){R}
GEOL 3328	Water and the West (WC){S}
SCI 3209	Computers & Society (WC) {R}(P)
SCI 3609	Intro to Modern Cosmos (WC){R}(P)
SCI 3639	Intro to Weather Dynamics (CT) {S}

GWAR - Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement: Junior or higher and completion of Area 1A. Requirement may be satisfied by one of the following courses.

GWAR

COMM 3008	Tech and Rpt. Writing
ENGL 3109	Modes of Writing
HIST 3008	Historical Writing
PHIL 3318	Prof Ethics (WC){Q}
PHIL 3338	Business Ethics (WC){S}
PPA 4038	Public Policy Process (CT)
RS 3608	Religious Lit for the Prof (WC){S}

GWAR - Chemistry

CHEM 3908	Seminar in Chemical Literature
CHEM 3948	Seminar in Biochemical Literature

Capstone: Student must complete at least 90 units and JYDR. Departments may assign additional prerequisites. The departments below offer Capstone as part of their senior seminar. Students whose department is not listed, please see your advisor.

Capstone (OC)

BA 4908	Senior Seminar
BIOL 4918	Senior Seminar Biology
BIOL 4928	Senior Seminar Human Biology
CAFS 4908	Senior Seminar and Capstone
CHEM 4908	Senior Seminar for Chemistry
CHEM 4948	Senior Seminar for Biochemistry
CMPS 4928	Senior Project II
COMM 4908	Senior Seminar
CRJU 4908	Senior Seminar in Criminal Justice
ECE 4928	Senior Project II
ENGL 4918	Senior Seminar for Prosp. Teachers
ERM 4908	Senior Seminar
HIST 4908	Senior Seminar
KINE 4868	Internship and Capstone
LBST 4908	Senior Seminar
MUS 4908	Senior Seminar
NURS 4918	Leadership in Nursing RN-BSN
PH 4918	Senior Seminar in Public Health
PLSI 4908	Senior Seminar
PSYC 4908	Senior Seminar
SOC 4988	Senior Seminar in Soc
SPAN 4908	Senior Seminar/Capstone

Academic Resources

Departmental contacts and major requirements:
www.csu.edu/academics

Major, minor, and GE requirements and course descriptions:
www.csu.edu/catalog

General Education: www.csu.edu/ge

Arts and Humanities Student Center: (661) 654-2221

Business and Public Admin. Student Center: (661) 654-2326

Natural Sci., Math and Engr. Student Center: (661) 654-6322

Nursing Student Center: (661) 654-2505

Social Sci. and Edu. Student Center: (661) 654-6807

General Education Interdisciplinary Thematic Minors

Theme Q: Quality of Life Minor

Theme R: Revolutionary Ideas and Innovations Minor

Theme S: Sustainability and Justice Minor

Thematic Minors: By completing four courses (12 units) of course work in the same theme, a student can earn a thematic minor. At least two of the courses (6 units) must be at the upper division level.

Theme Q: Quality of Life

Area 3A Arts:

MUS 1049	Music from Global Persp. (WC-co){Q}
THTR 1109	Intro to Theatre (WC){Q}

Area 3B Humanities:

ETHS 1008	Introduction to Latina/o Studies {Q}
ETHS 1108	Intro to Comparative Ethnic Studies {Q}
PHIL 2129	Philosophy of Self and Human Nature
PHIL 2139	Race Matters {Q}
PHIL/INST 2329	Sexual Ethics {Q}
RS 1118	Religion and Film (OC-co){Q}
RS 2018	Anime Spirituality {Q}
RS 2108	Latinx Spiritualities {Q}

Area 4 Social and Behavioral Sciences:

ENGL 2608	Introduction to Language Study {Q}
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Area 5A Physical Science:

None

Area 5B Biological Science:

None

Area 6 Ethnic Studies:

None

UD Area 3 (CT):

COMM 3068	FILM & Society {Q}
ENGL 3248	Ethnic Literature (CT){Q}
ENGL 3518	Special Topics in Film Studies {Q}
MUS 3039	American's Musical Life {Q}
MUS 3019	Musical Drama (WC){Q}
PHIL 3118	Philosophy in Lit. and Film (WC){Q}
PHIL 3318	Prof Ethics (WC){Q}
PHIL 3348	Bioethics {Q}
PHIL 3418	Phil of Democracy
PLSI 3418	Phil of Democracy
RS 3548	Spiritual Quest (WC){Q}
RS 4518	The Meaning of Death (WC){Q}
THTR 3108	Antiquity to Rebirth {Q}
THTR 3118	Restoration to Experim. (WC){Q}

UD Area 4 (CT):

ANTH 3308	Anth Through Film (WC){Q}
CRJU 3608	Gangs in America (WC){Q}
ECON 3108	Econ of Health and Health Care {Q}
ECON 4588	Labor Economics {Q}
ENGL 4648	Sociolinguistics (WC){Q}
KINE 3118	Epidemiology & Wellness (OC)
PLSI 3248	Women in Politics (WC){Q}
PSYC 4358	Positive Psych (OC){Q}
PSYC 3688	People and Animal Companions {Q}
SOC 3008	Social Psychology {Q}
SOC 3658	Violence & Society (WC){Q}

UD Area 5 (QR):

BIOL 3309	California Natural History
SCI 3109	The Science of Food (WC){Q}

Theme R: Revolutionary Ideas and Innovations

Area 3A Arts:

ART 1009	Pract & App of Visual Art (WC-co){R}
ART 2508	Art Prehistory to 1400 (WC){R}
ART 2608	Art 1400 to Present (WC){R}
MUS 1039	Jazz Appreciation (WC-co){R}

Area 3B Humanities:

COMM 2038	Visual Language (WC){R}
ENGL 2208	American Lit Survey I (WC-co){R}
ENGL 2308	British Literature Survey I (WC-co){R}
HIST 1418	World History Pt. 1 (WC-co){R}
HIST 1428	World History Pt. 2 (WC-co){R}
PHIL 2119	Great Philosophical Ideas {R}
RS 1128	A History of God (WC-co){R}
RS 1138	Religions of Asia (WC-co){R}

Area 4 Social and Behavioral Sciences:

ANTH 1118	Intro to Archaeology (A2-co){R}
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Area 5A Physical Science:

None

Area 5B Biological Science:

None

Area 6 Ethnic Studies:

ETHS 1208	Introduction to Ethnic Studies (OC){R}
ETHS 1308	Intro Asian Am. Studies. (OC){R}

UD Area 3 (CT):

ART 3618	Rev. Art of 19th Cent. (WC){R}
ART 3648	Hist of Photography (WC){R}
COMM 3028	Graph Design: Prehist to AI (WC){R}
COMM 3038	Video Game Analysis (WC){R}
COMM 3048	Art of Film (WC){R}
COMM 3078	Mass Media & Soc. (WC){R}
ENGL 4708	Studies in Genre (WC){R}
HIST 4248	Film and Identity in History (WC){R}
HIST 4508	The History of War (WC){R}
HIST 4638	Build Empire: Hist of Rome (WC){R}
PHIL 3358	Phil, Tech and Our Future (WC){R}
RS 3518	The American Dream
PHIL 3268	Marxism (OC){R}
RS 3208	Explorations in Scripture (WC){R}
RS 3518	The American Dream (WC){R}
RS 3538	Religion and Human Rights (WC){R}
RS 3558	Religion and Human Rights (OC){R}

UD Area 4 (CT):

ECON 3118	The Pacific Rim Economies (WC){R}
PLSI 3228	Politics & Religion in the US (WC){R}
PSYC 3248	Obs in Studying the Brain (WC){R}
PSYC 3678	Ppl, Ethics & Other Animals (WC){R}
SOC 4038	Technology and Society (WC){R}
SOC 4068	The Civil Rights Movement (WC){R}

UD Area 5 (QR):

BIOL 3318	Rev. Ideas in Human Bio (OC){R}
GEOL 3318	California Geology & Society (WC){R}
GEOL 3339	Dinos: Paleo, Evol & Extinct (CT){R}
SCI 3209	Computers & Society (WC) {R}
SCI 3119	Rev Ideas in Chemistry (WC) {R}
SCI 3609	Intro to the Modern Cosmos (WC){R}

Theme S: Sustainability and Justice

Area 3A Arts:

None

Area 3B Humanities:

ENGL 2408	Intro to World Literature (WC){S}
PHIL 1319	Cont. Moral Issues (CT){S}
RS 1108	Jesus, Buddha & Mor Lf (OC-co){S}

Area 4 Social and Behavioral Sciences:

ANTH 2308	Nat Peoples of North Am. (A2-co){S}
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Area 5A Physical Science:

GEOL 2069	Sust Energy and Environment (QR){S}
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Area 5B Biological Science:

None

Area 6 Ethnic Studies:

None

UD Area 3 (CT):

COMM 3058	Intercultural Comm. (WC){S}
COMM 3089	Comm and the Environ (WC){S}
ENGL 3268	Writing Nat: Lit and Environ (WC){S}
HIST 3258	The American Environment (WC){S}
PHIL 3338	Business Ethics (WC){S}
PHIL 3368	Environmental Philosophy (WC){S}
PHIL 3528	Personhood (WC){S}
RS 3528	Holocaust & Impact (WC){S}
RS 3608	Religious Lit for the Prof (WC){S}
RS 4528	Rel, Ethics, and Soc. Justice (WC){S}

UD Area 4 (CT):

ANTH 3318	Peoples of Mexico (WC){S}
BA 3108	Business and Society. (OC){S}
CRJU 3318	Women & CJ System (WC){S}
CRJU 3448	Drugs & Crime (WC){S}
CRJU 4638	Victims & CJ System (WC){S}
ECON 3418	Energy Economics and Policy (OC){S}
ECON 4108	Interntl Economic Devlpm. (WC){S}
ECON 3508	Environmental Economics (QR){S}
MATH 3209	Stat Meas of Inequality in Soc (CT){S}
PHIL 3528	Personhood (WC){S}
PLSI 3418	California Politics (WC){S}
PLSI 3648	Food Politics and Policy (WC){S}
PPA 3408	Policy Networks (WC,OC){S}
PSYC 3658	Psychology of Good and Evil (WC){S}
SOC 3408	Gender and Society (WC){S}
SOC 4008	Soc and Natural Environment (WC){S}

UD Area 5 (QR):

GEOL 3329	Water and the West (WC){S}
SCI 3639	Intro to Weather Dynamics (CT){S}
SCI 3129	Environ Chem & Sust (OC){S}