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## Transfer Programs

Students whose goal is to transfer to a four-year institution should identify which transferable courses are required for both their major and general education. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with a counselor to develop an academic program best suited for their transfer institution and intended major.

Assistance in developing an educational plan to transfer to a university is advisable through contact with the counselor. Faculty members are valuable contacts in providing information related to a student's career or college choice.

The Transfer Center is another valuable resource for students interested in transferring. The following services are available in the Transfer Center: Transfer Counseling, Application Workshops, Appointments with University Representatives, University Campus Tours, Transfer Fairs, Transfer Workshops, Resource Materials, Library of College Admission Materials, Computer Resource Lab.

Rio Hondo College offers courses similar to courses in the lower division (i.e., first two years) of four-year universities. Course requirements for graduation vary from one institution to another. It is to a student's advantage to choose his or her transfer university as early as possible. Students are advised to complete the courses at Rio Hondo College that best satisfy the lower-division course requirements of their particular transfer institution. Lower-division course requirements typically include a set of "general education" courses and a sequence of courses in the student's chosen "major."

## Educational Planning for Transfer

Each four-year institution has its own basic pattern of lower-division requirements regarding both general education and specific majors. These requirements vary from college to college and often change from year to year. Rio Hondo College has articulated courses with the California State University and University of California campuses as well as independent colleges and universities.

The Transfer Center has a listing of requirements for completing the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC), CSU General Education Breadth, and other general education patterns. In addition, there are computers for student use to access information on the Internet regarding the college of their choice.

Students may also utilize ASSIST, the statewide repository of articulation information offering easy access to a single computerized database of student transfer information ([www.ASSIST.org](http://www.ASSIST.org)). The database includes IGETC and CSU GE Breadth lists as well as articulation agreements for many California public post-secondary institutions (community colleges, CSUs and UCs).



Students who plan to transfer to one of the California four-year colleges or universities should complete their comprehensive educational plan with a counselor.

## Impacted Campuses & Programs

The term impacted, when applied to a campus and/or program, means that more qualified applicants applied than can be accepted. Consequently, there are special requirements and selection procedures for admission. Students intending to transfer should consult with a counselor and visit the transfer center to request the most current admissions information.

## Transferring to California State University (CSU)

The California State University system consists of 23 campuses located throughout the state. Admission representatives from local CSU campuses visit the Rio Hondo College Transfer Center on a regular basis. Please check with the Transfer Center for more detailed information.

Each California State University (CSU) campus has its own general education and major requirements. Therefore, students should work with a counselor to first select a particular CSU campus and then formulate a strategy for completing that campus' general education, major, and admission requirements.

Courses transferable to CSU campuses are identified in the course description in this Catalog and in the Class Schedule. Courses identified as meeting major preparation are listed in the ASSIST articulation database, which can be viewed at [www.ASSIST.org](http://www.ASSIST.org).

Students who have completed 60 transferable semester units (90 quarter units) with a 2.0 grade point average (2.4 for non-resident students) by the time of entry to a CSU are considered upper division applicants. Upper division applicants are eligible for admission to a CSU if they:

1. Are in good standing at the last college or university attended AND
2. Have completed, or will complete prior to transfer at least 30 semester units of general education requirements. The 30 semester units must include one course in written communication, one course in oral communication, one course in critical thinking, and one course in mathematics/quantitative reasoning. All of these courses must be completed with a "C" or better (see CSU-GE pattern and/or IGETC)
3. The remaining units to reach 60 transferable semester units can be acquired through completion of lower division major preparation and/or CSU transferable elective units.

A maximum of 70 semester units earned at a community college may be transferred to the CSU; however, courses in excess of 70 semester units will receive subject credit and will be applied to satisfy content requirements as appropriate. No upper-division credit is allowed for courses taken at a community college.

## CSU Certification

Certification means that Rio Hondo College has verified that a student has completed the lower-division general education requirements for the CSU. For full certification, students must complete 39 units from Categories A through E of the CSU General Education Requirements.

Certification from a community college is important because without it, students will be held to the general education requirements specific to the CSU campus to which they are transferring. Once the student is certified, the CSU campus will identify the student as having completed the lower-division general education requirements. (Please note that 9 units of upper-division general education courses must be completed at the CSU after transfer.) For full certification, a minimum of nine units must be completed in each of Areas A, B, C, and D and 3 units must be completed in Area E from the CSU-GE pattern. Courses in Area A and Area B4 must be completed with a "C" or better.

It is the student's responsibility to request certification. To obtain the certification, students must file a Transcript Request Form at the Office of Admissions and Records. The final transcript and general education certification will then be sent to the CSU.

Because the requirements for a particular major may differ from one CSU campus to another, and because requirements may change yearly, students must consult regularly with a counselor when selecting courses.

## CSU Application

Applications for admission to the CSU system are available online at [www.calstate.edu/apply](http://www.calstate.edu/apply). Applications to impacted programs must be filed during the priority-filing period. Applications should be filed as early as possible to ensure priority consideration.

## CSU Application Filing Periods

Students are encouraged to attend an application workshop before beginning the application process. Remember that applications are submitted one year prior to transferring.

The priority filing periods are:

### Semester System Campuses

- Fall Semester: October 1-November 30
- Spring Semester: August 1-31

### Quarter System Campuses

- Fall Quarter: October 1-November 30
- Winter Quarter: June 1-30
- Spring Quarter: August 1-31
- Summer Quarter: February 1-28



## CSU General Education Breadth Course Requirements

The CSU-GE Breadth is an agreement between Rio Hondo and the CSU campuses regarding general education requirements. This list of courses is regularly updated. Students can complete these courses to fulfill their lower-division general education requirements at a community college before they transfer to a CSU campus. The CSU-GE Breadth is only one way to fulfill the lower-division general education requirements for the CSU. Students may also use IGETC to fulfill lower-division general education requirements at the CSU (see in this catalog.) Courses taken by students for CSU-GE Certification must be selected from the following list:

### AREA A: English Language Communication and Critical Thinking:

Choose one course from each group. (9 units minimum)

- A1: Oral Communication  
SPCH 100, 101, 101H, 140
- A2: Written Communication  
ENGL 101
- A3: Critical Thinking  
ENGL 201, 201H  
PHIL 110, 110H, 112, 112H, 115  
READ 101  
SPCH 140

### AREA B: Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning:

Choose one course from each group; one of the science courses must include a laboratory (indicated by \*). (9 units minimum)

#### B1: Physical Sciences

- ASTR 110, 110H, 112\*
- CHEM 110\*, 120\*, 130\*, 140\*, 230\*, 231\*
- GEOG 101, 101L\*
- GEOL 150, 151\*
- PHY 120\*, 150\*, 160\*, 211\*, 212\*, 213\*

#### B2: Biological Sciences

- ANTH 101, 101H, 101L\*
- BIOL 101\*, 105, 105L\*, 111, 111L\*, 112\*, 120, 120L\*, 200\*, 201\*, 206, 222\*, 226\*
- PSY 210, 210H

#### B3: Laboratory Activity

All lab courses are identified by \* in Groups B1 and B2 above.

#### B4: Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning

- MATH 130, 130H, 140, 160, 170, 175, 180, 190, 190H, 191, 250, 260, 270
- PSY 190

### AREA C: Arts and Humanities

Choose at least one course from C1: Arts and at least one course from C2: Humanities. Additional courses may be taken from either of the groups. (9 units minimum)

#### C1: Arts (Art, Dance, Music, Theatre)

- ART 101, 104, 105, 105H, 106, 106H, 107, 108, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115, 120, 121, 130, 135, 140
- DANC 179, 199
- MUS 101, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 141
- PHTO 190
- THTR 101, 105, 105H, 110, 150

#### C2: Humanities (Literature, Philosophy, Foreign Languages)

- ASL 149
- CHIN 101, 102
- CHST 146

- ENGL 126
- FR 101, 102, 201, 202
- HIST 101, 102, 122, 131, 143, 143H, 144, 144H, 156, 157, 158, 159, 159H, 167, 170
- HUM 110, 111, 125, 125H, 130
- JAPN 101, 102
- LATN 101, 102
- LIT 102, 102H, 112A, 112AH, 112B, 112BH, 114, 114H, 117, 117H, 130, 130H, 140, 140H, 141, 142, 142H, 144A, 144B, 145, 145H, 146A, 146AH, 146B, 146BH, 147, 148, 149
- PHIL 101, 101H, 120, 124, 126, 128, 128H, 135, 140, POLS 128, 128H
- SPAN 101, 102, 130, 131, 201, 201H, 202
- SPCH 130, 132

### AREA D: Social Sciences: 9 units required with courses in at least two disciplines. (3 courses/9 units minimum)

- ANTH 101, 101H, 102, 102H, 103, 104, 110, 115, 125
- CHST 101, 146, 148, 150
- CD 106, 208
- ECON 101, 101H, 102, 102H, 106, 135
- GEOG 102, 103
- HIST 101, 102, 122, 131, 143, 143H, 144, 144H, 156, 157, 158, 159, 159H, 167, 170
- HUM 110, 111, 125, 125H, 130
- MSCM 128
- PHIL 128, 128H
- POLS 110, 110H, 125, 128, 128H, 130, 135, 140, 150
- PSY 101, 101H, 112, 114, 170, 180, 200
- SOC 101, 101H, 102, 105, 110, 114, 116, 120, 127, 148
- SPCH 150

**HIGHLY RECOMMENDED:** All CSU campuses have a graduation requirement in U.S. History, Constitution and American Ideals. Students may be certified as having completed this requirement at Rio Hondo College by taking POLS 110 or 110H and one of the following History courses: HIST 143, 143H, 144, 144H, 156, 157, 158, 159, 159H, 170. these courses may be used to partially satisfy area C and/or D of the CSU-GE Breadth.

### AREA E: Lifelong Learning and Self-Development:

Choose one course (3 units minimum) from the following:

- ANTH 110
- CD 106
- COUN 101, 151
- DD 214 (see counselor for details)
- EDEV 101
- HUSR 123
- KIN 191, 192, 196
- NUTR 110
- PSY 112, 121
- SOC 105, 110

NOTE: Courses may be used to fulfill only one General Education area.

For a complete listing of courses and their approval dates, students may log on to [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org).

## Transferring to University of California (UC)

The University of California (UC) has 10 campuses located throughout the state. Admission representatives from local UC campuses visit the Rio Hondo College Transfer Center

on a regular basis. Please check with the Transfer Center for more detailed information.

Course requirements vary from one UC campus to another. Therefore, it is advised that students work with a counselor to first select a particular UC campus and then formulate a strategy for completing that campus' general education requirements, major requirements, and admissions requirements. At most UC campuses, admission is competitive and a grade point average (GPA) higher than the 2.4 minimum is required. Some UC campuses require that students complete specific coursework in a major before transfer, and some majors require a higher grade point average than designated for general admission. See a Rio Hondo counselor for further explanation and planning materials.

Courses transferable to UC campuses are identified in the course description in this Catalog and in the Class Schedule. Courses identified as meeting major preparation are listed in the ASSIST articulation database, which can be viewed at [www.ASSIST.org](http://www.ASSIST.org).

### Transfer Admission Requirements

To be eligible for admission to a UC as a transfer student, a student must fulfill the following criteria:

- A. Complete 60 UC transferable semester units (90 quarter units) with a minimum GPA of 2.4 (2.8 for non-residents); AND
- B. Complete the following course requirements, earning a grade of "C" or better in each course: two transferable college courses in English composition; one transferable college course in mathematical concepts and quantitative reasoning; four transferable college courses chosen from at least two of the following subject areas: arts and humanities, social and behavioral sciences, and physical and biological sciences.

*NOTE: The IGETC General Education Transfer Pattern will meet these course requirements. However, some students, depending on the transfer major and university, may not be well served by following IGETC; AND*

- C. Complete as many major preparation courses as possible. Major preparation may be viewed at [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org). NOTE: Selective majors require certain courses to be completed before transfer with a higher grade point average.

The UC allows up to 70 UC transferable units from a community college. Students who complete more than 70 units at the community college may still complete courses to fulfill course requirements but will not be able to transfer more than the 70 units of credit.

**IMPORTANT! To be considered for fall admission at most campuses, students must plan to complete all courses required for admission no later than the spring semester preceding the fall they wish to enter the university.**

### Community College Transfer Priority Admission

UC campuses give priority consideration for admission to California community college students. A California community college student applying for admission to the University of California in advance standing will be given priority admission over all other applicants if:

1. The student was enrolled at one or more California community college for at least two terms (excluding summer sessions); AND

2. The last college attended before admission to a UC campus was a California community college (excluding summer sessions); AND
3. The student has completed at least 30 semester (45 quarter) UC transferable units at one or more California community college.

### IGETC General Education Certification

Certification means that the last community college attended prior to transfer will verify that the student has completed the entire IGETC pattern. Students must apply for the IGETC certification at the community college they attended. Coursework taken at other community colleges will be certified at the discretion of the community college where the IGETC will be completed. Rio Hondo College will certify for IGETC after completion of all courses required. It is the student's responsibility to request certification. To obtain the certification, students must file a Transcript Request Form at the Office of Admissions and Records. The final transcript and general education certification will then be sent to the UC.

### UC Impacted Majors

Some majors at UC campuses are highly competitive or "impacted". This means that certain courses in the major must be completed with achievement of a high GPA prior to transfer. Please consult with a counselor or visit the Transfer Center for details.

### Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)

The Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) program offers guaranteed admission to the students who complete a core set of courses at Rio Hondo College a full term prior to transferring. Students in the TAG program can receive early review of their academic records, early admission notification, and specific guidance on major preparation and general education coursework. Rio Hondo College has agreements with seven UCs (UC Davis, UC Irvine, UC Merced, UC Riverside, UC San Diego, UC Santa Barbara, and UC Santa Cruz). TAG requirements vary by UC campus. The application filing period is typically September 1-30th of the year prior to transfer for Fall admission. For further information meet with a counselor in the Transfer Center.

### UC Application

Applications for admission to the UC system are available online at [www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply).

**NOTE:** The UCs require applicants to respond to personal insight questions. Visit the Transfer Center for more information.

### UC Application Filing Periods

Students are encouraged to attend an application workshop before beginning the application process. Remember that applications are submitted one year prior to transferring.

**The priority filing periods are:**

**Fall Quarter/ Semester:** November 1-30

**Winter Quarter:** July 1-31

**Spring Quarter:** October 1-31

\*subject to campus availability

All UC campuses accept applicants for fall admission. To determine which UC campuses accept winter and/or spring, call the specific campus or visit the Transfer Center.

## Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) For CSU & UC

The IGETC is an agreement between Rio Hondo and the CSU and UC campuses regarding general education requirements. The IGETC list of courses was developed first in 1991 and is regularly updated. Students can complete these courses to fulfill their lower-division general education requirements at a community college before they transfer to a CSU or UC campus. The IGETC is only one way to fulfill the lower-division general education requirements of a CSU or UC campus; it is not recommended for certain majors and colleges.

Completion of all the requirements in the IGETC will permit a student to transfer from a community college to a campus in either the California State University or University of California system without the need to take additional lower-division general education courses. Transfer students will receive certification for all of their lower division general education requirements only after completing all of the subject areas listed below with a "C" grade or better in each course.

### Area 1: ENGLISH COMMUNICATION

CSU: 3 courses required, one from each group below

UC: 2 courses required, one each from 1A and 1B

#### 1A – English Composition

One course of 3 semester/4 quarter units

ENGL 101

#### 1B –Critical Thinking

One course of 3 semester/4 quarter units

ENGL 201 or 201H, PHIL 110, 110H

**1C –Oral Communications:** (CSU only) One course of 3 semesters/4 quarter units.

SPCH 100, 101, 101H, 140

### Area 2: MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS & QUANTITATIVE REASONING

One course: 3 semester/4 quarter units

MATH 130+, 130H+, 160+, 170+, 180+, 190+, 190H, 191, 250, 260, 270

PSY 190+

+ Indicates that UC course credit may be limited.

Please consult a counselor for additional information.

### Area 3: ARTS & HUMANITIES

At least 3 courses with at least one course from Arts and one course from Humanities - 9 semester/12 quarter units.

3A: ARTS (3 units minimum):

ART 104, 105, 105H, 106, 106H, 107, 108, 109, 110, 112, 113, 115

DANC 179, 199

MUS 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135, 136, 141

THTR 101, 105, 105H

3B: HUMANITIES (3 units minimum):

CHIN 102

CHST 146

ENGL 126

FR 102, 201, 202

HIST 101, 102, 122, 131, 143, 143H, 144, 144H, 156, 157, 158, 159, 159H, 167, 170

HUM 110, 111, 125, 125H, 130

JAPN 102

LATN 102

LIT 102, 102H, 112A, 112AH, 112B, 112BH, 114, 114H, 117, 117H, 130, 130H, 140, 140H, 141, 142, 142H, 144A, 144B, 145, 145H, 146A, 146AH, 146B, 146BH, 147, 148, 149

PHIL 101, 101H, 120, 124, 126, 128, 128H, 135, 140,

POLS 128, 128H

SPAN 102, 201, 201H, 202

### Area 4: SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

At least 3 courses from at least two disciplines - 9 semester/12 quarter units

ANTH 102, 102H, 103, 104, 110, 125

CD 106, 208

CHST 101, 146, 148, 150

ECON 101, 101H, 102, 102H, 106, 135

GEOG 102, 103

HIST 101, 102, 122, 131, 143, 143H, 144, 144H, 156, 157, 158, 159, 159H, 167, 170

HUM 110, 111, 125, 125H, 130

PHIL 128, 128H

POLS 110, 110H, 125, 128, 128H, 130, 135, 140, 150

PSY 101, 101H, 112, 114, 170, 200,

SOC 101, 101H, 102, 105, 110, 114, 116, 120, 127, 148

SPCH 150

### Area 5: PHYSICAL & BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

At least 2 courses are required, one from 5A and 5B. One course must include a corresponding laboratory from 5A or 5B. Laboratory courses (5C) are noted with \* symbol (7-9 semester/9-11 quarter units.)

**5A: PHYSICAL SCIENCES** (One course minimum):

ASTR 110, 110H, 112\*

CHEM 110\*, 120\*, 130\*, 140\*, 230\*, 231\*

GEOG 101, 101L\*

GEOL 150, 151\*

PHY 120\*+, 150\*+, 160\*+, 211\*+, 212\*+, 213\*+

**5B: BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES** (One course minimum):

ANTH 101, 101H, 101L\*

BIOL 101\*, 105, 105L\*, 111, 111L\*, 120, 120L\*,

200\*, 201\*, 201, 206, 226\*

PSY 210, 210H

**5C: LABORATORY ACTIVITY:** This requirement may be met by completing a lab course that corresponds to a lecture course found above in 5A or 5B with \*symbol.

+ Indicates that UC course credit may be limited. Please consult the catalog course description for additional information.

### 6: LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH

(UC REQUIREMENT ONLY)

Proficiency equivalent to two years of high school study in the same language or at least 1 course from:

ASL 149

CHIN 101, 102

FR 101, 102, 201, 202

JAPN 101, 102

LATN 101, 102

SPAN 101, 102, 130, 131, 201, 201H, 202

*(If using high school courses to fulfill this area, grades of "C-" are acceptable. Official transcripts must be on file in the Admissions and Records Office)*

### AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS REQUIREMENT

CSU has an American Institutions graduation requirement that can be fulfilled by taking the following:

6 units: Choose one course from group 1 and one course from group 2.

1. POLS 110, 110H

2. HIST 143, 143H, 144, 144H, 156, 157, 158, 159, 159H, 170

**CERTIFICATION** – These units are general education requirements for the UC and CSU systems. Rio Hondo College will certify these courses. Request for IGETC certification can be made on the Transcript Request Form. Only courses taken at U.S. regionally-accredited institutions that meet the IGETC Standards will be certified in the appropriate areas. Official transcripts must be on file in the Admissions and Records Office. Courses taken at foreign institutions are not acceptable except for certification of proficiency in a language other than English. Partial Certification is permitted if the student has completed all but two courses in the pattern.

*For a complete listing of courses and their approval dates, students may log on to [www.assist.org](http://www.assist.org).*

## Transferring to Independent Colleges & Universities

For information regarding all transfer deadlines, students should consult with Rio Hondo College counselors or the Transfer Center.

Although admission requirements vary and are listed in the catalogs of the various universities and colleges, students who transfer to independent colleges and universities are given credit for most, if not all, of their community college work. Most colleges and universities give full credit for general education courses and for most other courses designated by the community college as transferable.

Rio Hondo College has developed articulation agreements with many independent colleges and universities. Transfer students who plan to attend a private college or university are encouraged to consult with a counselor to plan their academic plan. For information regarding deadlines and articulation agreements, students should visit the Transfer Center.

## Transfer Web Sites

Below are listed some of the web sites available to help students who wish to transfer.

- **Articulation:**  
<http://www.assist.org>  
<http://www.riohondo.edu/Counseling-Center/Articulation>
- **California Colleges:**  
<http://www.californiacolleges.edu>
- **California Independent Colleges and Universities:**  
<http://www.aiccu.edu>
- **California State University:**  
<http://www.calstate.edu/apply>
- **California Virtual College:**  
<http://www.cvc.edu/>
- **RHC Transfer Center:**  
<http://www.riohondo.edu/students/transfercenter>
- **University of California:**  
<http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu>
- **UC Transfer:**  
<http://uctransfer.universityofcalifornia.edu>

