



THE USC GENERAL EDUCATION PROGRAM
GE Categories
Effective Fall 2009 through Summer 2010



USC's six General Education categories are described below. Students should take at least one course from each category. Please note that you must take courses fulfilling categories IV and VI and an additional upper division writing course at USC.

Category	Fullerton College	C	IP	R
I Western Cultures and Traditions	Courses focus on the Greco-Roman or Judeo-Christian traditions from origin through modern European culture, with at least a two century span (e.g. Western Civilization). Art 112 F; 113 F English 224 F; 225 F History 110 F; 110HF; 111 F; 111HF Philosophy & Religious St. 201 F; 202 F Political Science 120 F	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
II Global Cultures and Traditions	Courses focus on cultures and civilization alternative to Western Europe or westernized cultures, such as Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Middle East, and Native America. Anthropology 102 F; 102HF, 209 F Art 116 F; 212 F; 213 F Ethnic Studies 160 F History 154 F; 160AF Philosophy & Religious St. 250 F; 270 F	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
III Scientific Inquiry (requires a lab)	Courses focus on basic specific principles and on how those principles have developed. Introductory science courses with a lab meet this category. Biology 101 F; 101HF; 170 F; 222 F; 272 F; Chemistry 100 F; 111AF Earth Sciences 100 F with 100LF; 101 F with 101LF; 103 F; 116 F with 116LF; 130 F or 130HF with 130LF Geography 102 F with 102LF Physics 130 F; 205 F; 210 F; 221 F	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
IV Science and Its Significance	Courses focus on a particular area of research using perspective from many scientific disciplines in order to show connections among fields, and possible real-world uses and consequences. You must take this course at USC.	Take at USC		
V Arts & Letters	This category requires analysis of literature, art or music, drama, cinema, photography, or works written by (not about) philosophers. Art 114 F English 102 F; 102HF; 203 F; 204 F; 205 F; 206 F; 207 F; 211 F; 212 F; 214 F; 218 F; 221 F; 222 F; 234 F; 234HF; 245 F; 246 F; 247 F; 248 F; 249 F; 251 F; 252 F; 253 F	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
VI Social Issues	Courses focus on local, national and international problems, and developing the analytical skills to understand them in a broad context. There is a writing course co-registered with each course and a companion series of evening courses. You must take this course at USC.	Take at USC		



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<p>Writing</p> <p>All students must demonstrate their ability to write college-level expository prose through fulfilling a two-course requirement. For information, call the Writing Program at (213) 740-1980</p>	<p>Any of the courses below fulfills the lower division writing requirement if completed before starting at USC (an additional upper division writing course must be completed at USC):</p> <p>English 103 F; 103HF; 104 F; 201 F Philosophy & Religion St. 172 F</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Foreign Language</p> <p>Not all USC majors have a foreign language requirement. For more information, call the Admissions Center at (213) 740-6616.</p>	<p>The College of Letters, Arts and Sciences and some other USC majors must complete the third semester (or fifth quarter) of a college-level foreign language with a passing grade (C- or higher), or pass USC's placement examination at a level equivalent to third semester competency. Students who do not finish their third semester (or fifth quarter) before transferring to USC must take USC's placement examination to determine their level of competency. If the test score indicates placement into a level which the student has already completed, the student will be advised (but not required) to repeat the course at USC for no additional credit. Therefore, if your major requires the foreign language skill level and if you have started taking a foreign language, you are advised to complete the requirement before transferring to USC. For additional information visit www.usc.edu/dept/publications/cat2009/</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Math</p>	<p>To be admitted to USC, you are expected to have achieved a grade of C or better in intermediate algebra at the college level or to have completed a minimum of three years of mathematics in high school, including advanced algebra, also with a C or better. USC majors in the sciences, business and engineering require specific mathematics courses and achievement beyond this level. You should consult with the department to which you intend to apply. If lower-division mathematics courses are required by your major, we advise you to complete these early in your college studies prior to admission to USC.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Diversity</p>	<p>English 250 F Ethnic Studies 101 F (Multi); 129 F (Multi); 131 F (Multi); 140 F (Multi); 142 F (Multi); 170 F (Multi); 171 F (Multi) Sociology 101 F (Multi); 101HF (Multi); 225 F (Multi); 225HF (Multi)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Policies Regarding GE Courses</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) No more than four (4) semester units of pass/no pass (C/NC) may be applied to GE requirements. 2) A single course may be used to fulfill both a GE requirement and the diversity requirement. 3) Once a student enrolls in USC, he/she must complete all remaining GE and writing requirements at USC. 	

For more information, see the booklet "Transferring to USC" available on the Internet at:
<http://www.usc.edu/admission/undergraduate/apply/transfer.html>