



THE USC GENERAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

GE Categories Effective Fall 2022



(Students who are first-time college freshman in FALL 2015 or later will follow this USC GE program)

USC's six Core Literacy categories are described below. Students should take at least one course from each category. Please note that you must take at least 2 courses from the Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences after starting at USC.

Category	Fullerton College Courses	C	IP	R
A The Arts (1 course)	<p>Courses in this category enable students to engage with the arts by teaching them to create and analyze works of art, understanding the context of their creations and their connections to cultural issues.</p> <p>Art History 100 F; 105 F; 115 F; 120 F; 130 F; 135 F; 135 F; 140 F; 145 F; 150 F; 155 F or 155HF; 160 F; 165HF</p> <p>Cinema Radio Television 126AF; 126BF; 131 F</p> <p>Dance 100 F; 120 F; 200 F; 210 F</p> <p>English 203 F; 208 F</p> <p>Music 113 F; 116 F; 118 F; 119 F; 120 F; 165HF</p> <p>Theatre Arts 100 F; 104 F; 105 F; 108 F; 165HF</p>			
B Humanistic Inquiry (2 courses)	<p>Courses in this category cultivate a critical appreciation for various forms of human expression by teaching students to evaluate works of literature, philosophy, and the arts, to think critically and formulate informed opinions about ideas and values.</p> <p>English 102 F or 102HF; 204 F; 207 F; 211 F or 211HF; 212 F or 212HF; 221 F or 221HF; 222 F or 222HF; 224 F or 224HF; 225 F or 225HF; 234 F or 234HF; 239 F; 240 F; 243 F or 243HF; 245 F; 246 F; 248 F; 249 F; 251 F</p> <p>History 110 F or 110HF; 111 F or 111HF; 112 F or 112HF; 113 F or 113HF; 120 F; 121 F; 127 F; 151 F; 152 F; 154 F; 160 F; 161 F; 165 F or 165HF; 170 F or 170HF; 171 F or 171HF; 190 F; 275 F</p> <p>Philosophy & Rel Studies 100 F or 100HF; 101 F; 105 F or 105HF; 160 F; 202 F; 210 F; 220 F; 250 F; 270 F</p> <p>Political Science 120 F</p>			
C Social Analysis (2 courses)	<p>Courses in this category explore the causes and consequences of social phenomena by teaching students to apply the quantitative and qualitative methods of the social sciences to understand how people behave and influence the world through institutions and other cultural forms.</p> <p>Anthropology 102 F or 102HF; 103 F or 103HF; 105 F or 105HF; 106 F; 107 F or 107HF; 209 F or 209HF; 211 F or 211HF; 215 F</p> <p>Ethnic Studies 101 F or 101HF; 129 F or 129HF; 130 F or 130HF; 131 F; 150 F; 151 F; 152 F; 153 F or 153HF; 160 F; 170 F; 171 F; 235 F or 235HF</p> <p>Geography 100 F or 100HF; 160 F</p> <p>History 191 F</p> <p>Political Science 100 F or 100HF; 110 F or 110HF; 216 F; 230 F; 250 F</p> <p>Psychology 225 F</p> <p>Social Sciences 130 F</p> <p>Sociology 101 F or 101HF; 102 F; 201 F; 225 F or 225HF; 230 F or 230HF; 250 F; 275 F or 275HF; 277 F or 277HF; 285 F or 285HF; 290 F or 290HF</p> <p>Women's Studies 100 F or 100HF</p>			
D Life Sciences (1 course)	<p>Courses in this category provide a scientific understanding of a full range of living systems, from molecules to ecosystems, by teaching students to understand how data is generated, presented and interpreted and how scientific discovery spurs technological growth and impacts society. A matching lab is required.</p> <p>Anatomy & Physiology 240 F</p> <p>Anthropology [101 F or 101HF] with 101LF</p> <p>Biology 101 F or 101HF; 102 F with 102LF; 170 F; 190 F with 190LF; 222 F</p> <p>Environmental Science 105 F with 105LF</p>			
E Physical Sciences (1 course)	<p>Courses in this category analyze natural phenomena through quantitative description and synthesis, teaching students to solve scientific problems and to understand the processes by which scientific knowledge is obtained, evaluated and placed in the context of societal relevance. A matching lab is required.</p> <p>Chemistry 111AF</p> <p>Earth Sciences 100 F with 100LF; 101 F with 101LF; 103 F; [116 F or 116HF] with 116LF; [130 F or 130HF] with 130LF</p> <p>Geography [102 F or 102HF] with 102LF</p> <p>Physics 130 F; 205 F; 210 F; 221 F</p>			

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F Quantitative Reasoning (1 course)	Courses in this category teach students to use a set of formal tools (such as logical or statistical inference, probability or mathematical analysis) to pose and evaluate hypotheses, claims, questions or problems within a formal mode of thought.			
	Economics	101 F or 101HF; 102 F or 102HF		
	Mathematics	100 F; 120 F or 120HF; 121 F; 129 F; 130 F; 131 F; 141 F or 141HF; 143 F; 151 F or 151HF; 152 F or 152HF; 251 F		
	Psychology	161 F or 161HF; 202 F or 202HF		
	Social Sciences	120 F; 125 F		

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES (2 COURSES)

Courses in the Global Perspectives categories can be used to satisfy requirements in the Core Literacies as well. A single course can satisfy one Global Perspective and one Core Literacy requirement.

G	Citizenship in a Global Era (1 Course)		<div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
	Ethnic Studies	101 F or 101HF; 129 F or 129HF; 131 F; 150 F; 152 F; 159 F; 160 F; 170 F; 171 F; 235 F or 235HF	
	Political Science	230 F	
	Theatre Arts	108 F	
	Womens Studies	100 F or 100HF	
H	Traditions and Historical Foundations (1 course)		<div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>
	Anthropology	209 F or 209HF	
	Art History	105 F; 115 F; 120 F; 125 F; 135 F; 140 F; 145 F; 150 F; 155 F or 155HF	
	History	110 F or 110HF; 111 F or 111HF; 112 F or 112HF; 113 F or 113HF; 120 F; 121 F; 160 F; 161 F; 170 F or 170HF; 171 F; 190 F	
	Philosophy & Religious St.	202 F	
	Political Science	120 F	

Requirements	Fullerton College Courses
Writing	Any course below fulfills the lower division writing requirement <i>if completed after graduating from high school and before starting at USC.</i> These courses are also listed in Part II as equivalent to WRIT 130, which is the same as the WRIT 150 course offered at USC. Must be taken as a letter grade.
	English 103 F or 103HF; 104 F; 201 F
	Philosophy & Religious St. 172 F
Foreign Language	Many majors require a third-semester foreign language course or equivalent. Courses that fulfill foreign language levels have to <i>be completed after graduating from high school.</i> Students will be <i>required</i> to take a foreign language placement exam to continue in language courses at USC.
	Chinese 101 F; 102 F
	German 101 F; 102 F
	Italian 101 F; 102 F; 203 F; 204 F
	Portuguese 101 F; 102 F
	Spanish 101HF; 102HF

NOTE: Credit presumes courses are taken in a traditional classroom format on campus.

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.

Minimum requirements for admission	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Intermediate algebra (non-transferable college course), unless you took advanced algebra in high school. Lower division writing requirement (course equivalent to WRIT-130). There is no minimum number of transfer units you must complete. However, if you have fewer than 30 units, the Office of Admissions will focus primarily on your high school records and SAT results.
Policies Regarding GE Courses	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Courses must receive at least a grade of C- (or pass or credit) to transfer. No more than four (4) semester units of GE (one course) can be taken for pass/no pass. The lower division writing course cannot be taken pass/no pass. No more than 24 units total can be taken pass/no pass (including courses taken at USC). 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:

<https://admission.usc.edu/apply/transfer-students/>

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