General Education Advisement Workshop

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Focus of Workshop

- Review the lower and upper division General Education requirements.
- Review University graduation requirements for all students.
- Advisement for Transfer students.
Remedial English and/or Math

- **Executive Order 665 (E.O. 665):** All *new* and *returning* students who need remedial English and/or Math must enroll in that course(s) their 1st quarter at CSULA and continue with the remedial sequence every quarter thereafter until completion of the college level English and/or Math general education requirement.

MATH

MATH 89 --- Math 90 --- Math 91 --- Block A4

*Elementary Subject Matter Prep Options*

MATH 89 -- Math 90 -- Math 91 -- MATH 110 -- MATH 115 (A4)

ENGLISH

ENGL 95 --- ENGL 96 --- ENGL 101 (Block A1)

**Caution!** Students have a *maximum* of one year (3 Quarters) to complete all remedial coursework or the student will be disenrolled from the University. If they are not in compliance with E.O. 665 students may attend and complete their remediation at the Community College. The time limit to complete the work at the Community College is one year from their “disenrollment”.

Upon proof of successful completion of their remediation to the Office of Undergraduate Studies, they may return to CSULA without any additional paperwork.
Block A: Basic Subjects
(16 units)

A1 Written Communication
   Engl 101

A2 Oral Communication
   Comm 150

A3 Critical Thinking
   Comm 176, Phil 160, 250, or Pols 155

A4 Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning
   Econ/Math 109, Math 100, or 102
Block A-Basic Subject Guidelines

- Block A subjects should be completed within the student’s first year or first 45 units.
- A minimum grade of a “C” or better in each of these classes is required.
- Check Major Programs/Roadmaps for specific GE courses required for the student’s major (that double count) or to meet prerequisites for the major.
- **Roadmaps**
- **Fall 2010 – we are only admitting Upper Division Transfer students.**
- **Caution!** E&T & CCOE have specific requirements

GE grid
**COMMON CORE COURSES** (ESM Credential Majors)
American Institutions (8 units)

- **U.S. History** (4 units)
  HIST 202A or HIST 202B
  (blended majors require HIST 202A)

- **US Constitution** (4 units)
  POLS 150

- **State/Local Government**
  POLS 150 or POLS 200

**POLS 200 is required for:**
- Out of state transfer students who have already completed a US government class.
- Many UC and JC community college transfer students that were given partial credit for US constitution/ State Local
- High School students with a score of 3 or better on the AP test for American Government.

Contact Political Science department for POLS 200 guidelines.

*GE grid*
Block B: Natural Sciences
(8 or 12 units)

B1: Biological w/ Lab (4 units)
B2: Physical w/ lab (4 units)
B3: Applied Natural (4 units)

Courses are based on the student’s major:
- **Natural Science** based majors take courses from B1 & B2
- **Humanities** based majors take courses from B1, B2, & B3
- **Social Science** based majors take courses from B1, B2, & B3

- Courses may be within the Major field (double count).
- **CAUTION!** Some majors require specific B1 and B2 science courses that are not on the GE GRID (i.e., Biology, Chemistry, Health Science, Nursing, Nutritional Science and Elementary Education majors Engineering, Computer Science, and Technology).
Block C: Humanities (8 or 12 units)

C1: Literature & Drama
C2: Arts
C3: Philosophy & Religious Studies
C4: Languages other than English
C5: Integrated Humanities

- Students must take courses from different areas in **C1** to **C5** based on major.
  - **Natural Science** based majors (12 units, 3 diff. groups)
  - **Humanities** based majors (8 units, 2 diff. groups)
  - **Social Science** based majors (12 units, 3 diff. groups)

- Courses may be within the Major Field, or be courses *cross-listed* within the Major
- A score of a 4 and 5 on the AP Spanish Language Placement Exam will count towards C4.
Block D: Social Sciences

(8 or 12 units)

- Students must take courses from different disciplines.
  - Natural Science based majors (12 units)
  - Humanities based majors (12 units)
  - Social Science based majors (8 units)
- Courses may be within the major or be cross-listed within the major.
- Some majors require specific courses (i.e. social work, prenursing, engineering, etc.).
- CAUTION! Several course listings that are specified as “either/or” will count for GE credit, though both may be required for the major.
  For instance the History major requires History 110ABC (the entire sequence) and one of those courses will be counted for GE credit in Block D.

GE grid
Block E: Lifelong Understanding and Self-Development (4 units)

- Only 4 unit IHE 101 courses will satisfy the Block E requirement. (AL 101, BE 101, HHS 101, NSS 101 & UNIV 101).
- 2 unit IHE courses taken prior to the unit change will only satisfy the Introduction to Higher Education requirement, not Block E.
- Some majors require an additional course in this block for graduation (i.e. Pre-nursing, Health Science, etc.) GE grid
- E&T & CCOE have specific requirements
University Requirements

- **Introduction to Higher Education (IHE)**
  Freshman – IHE 101 is offered by the Colleges and is a 4 unit course.

- **OR**

- **Transition to Higher Education (TIHE)**
  Transfer – TIHE 301 is offered by the Colleges. This 2 unit requirement has been suspended as of Fall 2009 until further notice.

This University Requirement pertains to all Undergraduates with a Fall 1997 or later GE Catalog date and is required of transfer students with a Fall 1999 or later GE Catalog date.

The IHE/TIHE course must be successfully completed within the first 2 quarters of enrollment.

Students do not have to repeat if taken in another CSULA College (i.e. UNIV 101, AL 101, EDUC 150)

2nd Baccalaureate students are exempt from this University Requirement.
University Requirements
(continued)

- **ENGL 102 (4 units)**
  - Engl 101 or equivalent is a prerequisite
  - Should be taken after completion of Engl 101
  - Transfer students may have met the equivalent at the Community college refer to ASSIST website.

- **Written Proficiency Exam (WPE) - UNIV 400) CR/NC**
  - Taken after ENGL 102 and before 135 units are completed.
  - Students are given 90 minutes to write an essay on an assigned topic. For help in preparing for the exam, contact the University Writing Center.

- **Diversity Requirements (d) – Two courses (8 units)**
  - Courses designated with (d) are considered diversity. Students can choose (d) courses in their lower division GE and/or upper division theme.
  - Transfer students may have met the equivalent courses at the Community College, refer to ASSIST website.
University Requirements
(G.E. Theme)

Upper Division Theme (12 units) – 3 courses

- Students must pick one theme from A-I. Within that theme they will select one course from each of the following areas:

  Theme: _______________________________
  Natural Science: _____________________
  Social Science: ______________________
  Humanities: _________________________

- CAUTION!
  - Students cannot take courses from different themes; they must all be from the same theme.
  - A major course may be double counted to satisfy a theme requirement but on a case by case basis.
  - BLOCK A requirements and one course from each of the Blocks B-D are prerequisites to all upper division theme courses. The Upper Division Themes are listed in the Schedule of Classes.
  - Blended Elementary Subject Teacher Prep Option majors are not required to complete a theme.
Advisement for Transfer Students

- **Transcripts**
  - Transcripts typically take 1 quarter to be evaluated by the university.
  - You can review their unofficial transcripts using ASSIST (www.assist.org) as a guide for articulation agreements.
  - Students that are completely GE certified (from the Community College) have completed all of the lower division GE requirements but that does **not** include the additional University Requirements.

- **What should I tell the student to take their first quarter?**
  - Use the Roadmaps as a guide
  - Theme Course(s)
  - Major courses (or a GE course/prerequisite course if needed)

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Advanced Placement Credit (AP)

- Always ask if the student took AP tests in High School. Check the University Catalog for the AP Exam Scores and the college credit they earn.

Have the student:
- Turn in their original or copy of their AP Credit Score to Records (Admin 409)
- Keep a photocopy of their scores for their records
- Ask for a receipt when they turn in their AP Credit
RESOURCES

- CSULA website
  - Catalog
  - Major Academic Roadmaps
  - Colleges and Departments
- University Catalog
- Schedule of Classes
- University Academic Advisement Center
  - LIB 1040A (323) 343-3150
  - Liaisons for each College
  - Useful Handouts
  - GE and GET training workshops

- ASSIST website for articulation agreements: http://www.assist.org