LOCAL GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS 2022 - 2023

Not applicable to Associate Degrees for Transfer (AD-Ts). Please refer to IGETC or CSU General Education advisement sheets for alternative General Education patterns to earn an AA, AS, and/or CTE AS, as well as transfer information. This is NOT a petition for graduation.

GENERAL INFORMATION for Associate of Art and Associate of Science

1. A minimum of 60 units, of which must be in a major or area of emphasis.
2. Only courses numbered 001-099 may be counted towards the 60 units.
3. All competency and general education requirements must be completed.
4. A minimum grade-point average of 2.0 (C average) is required in both courses numbered 001 to 099 completed at PCC, and in comparable courses completed at other regionally accredited institutions.
5. At least 12 units of the required 60 units, in courses numbered 001-099, must be completed at PCC. No more than six units may be transferred from another college if earned after the student’s last enrollment at PCC.
6. Courses may not be counted more than once to meet the general education requirements (Areas A-G). A course may meet the requirements of major and general education, but the units shall count only once.
7. It is the student’s responsibility to file a petition for graduation (refer to online academic calendar for deadline).
8. Italicized courses below do not apply towards AA/AS requirements.

GENERAL INFORMATION for CTE Associate of Science

1. A minimum of 60 units, and completion of a Certificate of Achievement is required for the CTE Associate of Science degree.
2. Only courses numbered 001-199 may be counted towards the general education requirements, as indicated in Areas A-G.
3. Courses numbered 001-399 may be counted towards the 60 units.
4. All competency and general education requirements must be completed.
5. A minimum grade-point average of 2.0 (C average) is required in courses numbered 001 to 399 completed at PCC, and in comparable courses completed at other regionally accredited institutions.
6. At least 12 units of the required 60 units, in courses numbered 001-399, must be completed at PCC. No more than 6 units may be transferred from another college if earned after the student’s last enrollment at PCC.
7. Courses may not be counted more than once to meet the general education requirements (Areas A-G). A course may be used to satisfy both the requirements of major and general education, but the units shall count only once.
8. It is the student’s responsibility to file a petition for graduation (refer to online academic calendar for deadline).

COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS

1. Reading — One course (with grade C or better) from the following: English 001A/H, 001C/H, 014, 0100, any English course which fulfills Area C (Humanities), or by satisfactory score on equivalency exam.
2. Written Expression — One course (with grade C or better) from the following: English 001A/H, or by satisfactory score on equivalency exam.
3. Mathematics — One course (with grade C or better) from the following: Business 014A, 014B, Computer Science 045, Math 131, 150, Statistics 015, 018, 050, 050H or a math course which fulfills Area C (Humanities), or by satisfactory score on equivalency exam.
4. Diversity — Complete three (3) units in courses designated as either “Ethnic and Gender Studies” or “Global Studies” in the college catalog. The courses which satisfy the diversity requirement and are also general education are designated by the (†) symbol below.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (25 units minimum)

A. Natural Sciences (Lab is required, lecture and lab must be in the same discipline.) ———————————— 3 units
   Anatomy 025
   Anthropology 001*, and 001L, 001H* and 001L
   Astronomy 001
   Biology 002, 003, 004, 010A, 010B, 011, 011H, 014, 016, 030, 038, 039
   Chemistry 001A, 001B, 002A, 002B, 008A, 008B, 022
   Environmental Studies 001, 003, 010, 011, 030, 040
   Geography 001 and 001L
   Geology 001, 001F, 002, 002F, 003, 003F, 004 and 040, 006, 012 and 012F or 012L, 021 and 021L,
   022 and 040, 030A-M, 040
   Microbiology 002
   Physical Science 003 and 003L
   Physics 001A, 001B, 001C, 001D, 002A, 002B, 008A, 008B, 008C, 010 and 010L, 031A, 031B
   Physiology 001, 100*†

B. Social Behavioral Sciences ———————————— 3 units
   Anthropology 001*, 001H*, 001L, 002*, 002H*, 003, 004, 005, 006, 009, 012*, 086(~031)
   Child Development 015
   Communication 001
   Economics 001A, 001AH, 001B, 001BH
   English 012†
   Environmental Studies 002
   Geography 002*, 003†
   Gerontology 001
   Global Studies 001, 002
   Linguistics 012*, 014, 016, 017
   Political Science 001, 002, 006, 007, 021, 022
   Psychology 001, 001H, 002, 003, 005, 021, 021H, 022, 023, 024, 025, 062(~029), 072(~041), 082(~031)
   Social Science 017
   Sociology 001, 001H, 002, 014*, 014H*, 015, 016, 022, 024, 030, 035*, 063(~029), 073(~041), 083(~031), Speech 013
C. **Humanities** .................................................................................................................. 3 units

American Sign Language 001, 002, 003, 004
Arabic 001, 002
Architecture 024A, 024B
Armenian 001, 002
Art 001A, 001B, 001C, 003A, 003B, 004A, 004B, 004C, 004D, 005, 007, 008, 009, 106
Chinese 001, 002, 002A, 003, 004, 005, 010, 012, 022, 025
Dance 021A, 021B
Design Media Art 002
Ethnic Studies 055, 065, 075, 085
French 001, 002, 003, 004, 006, 010, 012, 016, 050

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D. **Language and Rationality** (choose minimum of 3 units from each area below) ....................... 9 units

1. **English Composition** .................................................................................................. 3 units
   
   English 001A, 001AH, 001AS, 001B, 001BH, 001C, 001CH

2. **Oral Communication** ................................................................................................ 3 units
   
   Speech 001, 001H, 002, 010

3. **Critical Thinking** .................................................................................................... 3 units
   
   **Business** 014A, 014B
   Computer Information Systems 062
   Computer Science 002, 006, 008, 045
   English 011B (~011B), 001C, 001CH
   **Mathematics** 003, 005A, 005AH, 005B, 005BH, 005C, 005CH, 006A, 008, 009, 010, 015, 022, 055, 055H, 131*, 150*
   **Statistics** 015, 018, 050, 050H
   **These courses also meet mathematics competency requirement**

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E. **American Institutions** .................................................................................................. 3-6 units

May be satisfied by one of the following options:

**OPTION I** (one History and one Political Science course — 6 units)
   
   History 007A, 007AH, 007B, 007BH, 025B*, 025D, History/Ethnic Studies 061A (~029A), 061B (~029B), 071 (~041), 081 (~031) ......................................................... 3 units

   AND

   Political Science 001 or 007 ................................................................. 3 units

   California State and Local Government Met ☐

**OPTION II** — applicable only to CTE AS (one course — 3 units)

American Institutions 125*

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F. **Health Education** ....................................................................................................... 2 units

Biology 003
College 001
Counseling 012
Dental Hygiene 109*

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G. **Kinesiology/Physical Activity** ....................................................................................... 2 units

2 units required. A maximum of four units of Physical Education Activity (KINA) or Intercollegiate Athletics (KATH) or Dance (Dance 002, 021A, 021B, and 025 are excluded) may be counted toward the degree. Music 061 may be substituted for one unit of PE Activity each semester. Exemption is granted if the student has a physical limitation and submits a physician’s recommendation which is approved by PCC Health Services.

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**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS:**

...18 units

Students must select a Major/Area of Emphasis or Certificate of Achievement (18 units minimum) as listed in the PCC catalog. List can be found at: https://pasadena.edu/academics/degrees-and-certificates/index.php.

Completing multiple Certificates of Achievement in the same field of study does not result in multiple CTE AS degrees being awarded, however a student can earn multiple AA and AS degrees.

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**Major/Area of Emphasis for AA or AS degree:**

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**Certificate of Achievement for CTE AS degree:**

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**Note:** All italicized courses with asterisk (*) symbol are applicable ONLY to CTE AS degree.

TOTAL UNITS (minimum 60):

AA/AS numbered 001-099

CTE AS numbered 001-399

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