

**TEMPLATE FOR GENERAL EDUCATION 2026****LOWER-DIVISION GE REQUIREMENTS**

Lower-division GE includes the following minimum unit requirements:

AREA 1: ENGLISH COMMUNICATION AND CRITICAL THINKING		
1A	Written Communication	3
1B	Critical Thinking	3
1C	Oral Communication	3
AREA 2: MATHEMATICS AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING		
2	Mathematics and Quantitative Reasoning	3
AREA 3: ARTS AND HUMANITIES		
3A	Arts	3
3B	Humanities: Literature, Philosophy, Languages other than English	3
AREA 4: SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES Area 4 includes two lower-division courses (4A and 4B) and one upper-division course (see Upper-Division Area 4 below). These three courses must come from at least two different course prefixes.		
4A	American Institutions (Title 5 Section 40404 Requirement)	3
4B	Social and Behavioral Sciences	3
AREA 5: PHYSICAL AND LIFE SCIENCES		
5A	Physical Sciences	3
5B	Life Sciences	3
5C	Laboratory A laboratory class is required. It may be embedded in a 5A or 5B course or may be offered as a standalone laboratory with a prerequisite or corequisite of an associated lecture course, as long as the minimum unit value (7) is met for lower-division Area 5.	1
AREA 6: ETHNIC STUDIES		
6	Ethnic Studies	3
TOTAL LOWER-DIVISION GE UNITS		34

UPPER-DIVISION GE REQUIREMENTS

Upper-division GE includes the following minimum unit requirements:

Upper-Division Area 2 or Upper-Division Area 5		3
Upper-Division Area 3		3
Upper-Division Area 4 Area 4 includes two lower-division courses (see 4A and 4B above) and one upper-division course (Upper-Division Area 4). These three courses must come from at least two different course prefixes.		3
TOTAL UPPER-DIVISION GE UNITS		9

TOTAL UNITS IN GE PROGRAM 43