In this section you will find:

- Transfer to four-year institutions, including the California State University and University of California systems
- California State University (CSU) General Education Patterns
- Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC)
- Transfer Center
- Transcripts
transfer to four-year institutions

Our transfer-level courses are equivalent to their university counterparts and can count toward your B.A. or B.S. degree in any major.

ARC transfers more students to UC Davis and CSUS than any other community college, and research shows that our transfer students do as well as or better than students who begin college at CSU or UC campuses.

Transfer program
American River College courses numbered 300 to 499 are accepted by the California State Universities (CSU). Transferable courses can satisfy lower division major preparation, general education, and/or elective requirements. Students should meet with an ARC counselor regarding the transferability of courses to the University of California (UC) independent and out-of-state public colleges and universities.

Transfer information has been compiled to assist American River College students who intend to transfer to another college or university. Students are encouraged to work with their ARC counselor to ensure they are taking courses that meet lower division general education and major requirements. CSU and UC campuses will accept a maximum of 70 semester units from community colleges.

There are many independent colleges and universities to which ARC students transfer, as well. Each institution of higher learning has its own admission requirements for admission and for junior standing. Several of these schools accept the CSU General Education pattern or IGETC in lieu of their own general education requirements.

Articulation
Articulation agreements are formal agreements between two colleges, such as between American River College and Sacramento State University. They define how courses taken at one college or university campus can be used to satisfy a subject matter requirement at another college or university campus.

American River College has a cooperative articulation program with most California State University (CSU) and University of California (UC) campuses. In addition, the college, through the efforts of its counseling staff and articulation officer, maintains excellent relations with UC and CSU campuses, as well as private universities in and outside of California.

The articulation officer of the college, in conjunction with the articulation staff of the universities, has developed written agreements in many areas of the curriculum. These agreements assure ARC students accurate preparation for another university or college. Articulation agreements with CSU and UC campuses can be viewed online [www.assist.org]. Articulation agreements with private and out-of-state colleges and universities can be viewed on the Transfer Center Web page [arc.losrios.edu/transfer] under the heading College - Specific Guidelines. See a counselor for assistance.

Four transfer options
Students must decide which college they will attend and learn the requirements of that institution in order to transfer to a CSU, UC, independent or out-of-state university. It is highly recommended that students avail themselves to the services offered by our Transfer Center, and meet with their ARC counselor regularly to ensure they are taking the appropriate coursework for transfer.

In general, however, students will work with one of the following paths:

1. If you are certain that you want to transfer to any campus of the California State University (CSU), follow the guidelines in Section A, and choose either the CSU GE pattern or IGETC to fulfill your lower division General Education requirements.

2. If you are certain that you want to transfer to any campus of the University of California (UC), follow the guidelines in Section B, and choose either the IGETC or individual UC campus GE/Breadth pattern to fulfill lower division General Education requirements.

3. If you are uncertain whether you wish to transfer to a CSU or UC campus, work closely with your counselor to ensure you are completing the admission requirements outlined in both Sections A and B, and follow the IGETC to complete lower division general education requirements. To help things go smoothly, choose your transfer college and major as early as possible.

4. If you want to transfer to a specific campus (UC, CSU or elsewhere), you may ask that campus for a copy of its specific admission and General Education/Breadth requirements.
A. transfer to the california state university

Students intending to transfer to a California State University (CSU) should plan a program to meet the graduation requirements of the specific institution which they plan to attend. Transfer admission eligibility is based on transferable college units and/or high school record and test scores. Consult the catalog issued by the individual campus for a complete description of the curricula and regulations. Catalogs are available in the Transfer Center.

Students who were eligible for admission to a CSU upon graduation from high school, but who have attended American River College, may transfer with less than 60 transferable units, but must have earned a grade point average of C (2.0) or better in the total program attempted and be in good standing at American River College in order to be accepted for transfer. However, consult with an ARC counselor to ensure that the CSU campus you choose is accepting transfer students with less than 60 units.

Students who were ineligible for admission to a California State University on the basis of high school grade point average, test scores, or subject requirements, will be eligible only if they (1) have completed 60 transferable college units with a grade point average of 2.0 or better; (2) are in good standing at ARC; and (3) have satisfied the following CSU admission requirements. Some CSU campuses have additional admission requirements. Check with your counselor to ensure you are meeting the entrance requirements for your chosen CSU campus.

CSU Admission requirements
1. High School graduate prior to 1987.
   a. Area A 1, 2, 3 (With grade of C or better).
   b. Area B 4 (With grade of C or better).

2. High School graduate 1988 and later.
   a. Area A 1, 2, 3 (With grade of C or better).
   b. Area B 4 (With grade of C or better).
   c. Thirty (30) semester units of General Education with C or better. This includes areas A and B.

*See the CSU General Education Requirements in the Transfer section of this catalog for listings of courses that meet Areas A 1, 2, 3 and B 4.

All students wishing to transfer to a CSU campus have the option of using the California State University General Education pattern, the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC), or CSU campus-specific requirements to meet CSU general education requirements. Completion of the CSU General Education pattern or IGETC allows the student to transfer to a CSU campus without the need to take additional lower division, general education courses after transfer. Students are encouraged to complete as many lower division major requirements as possible for their chosen CSU campus while attending ARC. These requirements can be found online [www.assist.org].

Foreign visa students should consult with the international student counselor of the specific CSU campus.

CSU General Education and IGETC Certification

Students transferring to a CSU campus find it to their advantage to complete the required General Education requirements prior to transfer. This can be accomplished by completing either the California State University GE or IGETC certification pattern. These patterns are listed in Section C. Students must make an appointment with their ARC counselor to have these patterns certified prior to transfer.

High school subject requirements

Specific high school courses and grade requirements, as well as placement examinations, vary among four-year colleges and universities. American River College offers courses and programs that enable the high school graduate or non-graduate to make up course and grade deficiencies, and qualify for a particular college or university.

Completion/transfer (Student Right to Know)

In compliance with the Student Right to Know and Campus Security Act of 1990, completion and transfer rates for students attending American River College can be found online [www.cpec.ca.gov/ or http://srtk.cccco.edu/index.asp]. Please refer to www.csumentor.edu for more information.
CSU GE pattern

Final status of this information was unavailable at publication time. Contact the ARC Counseling Center at (916) 484-8572 for 2010-2011 requirements.

Check with your ARC counselor before choosing whether to complete the CSU General Education (GE) Pattern or the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) on the following pages.

Requirements for the Bachelor’s Degree

The degree requirements at a California State University (CSU) consist, in general, of: (1) the general education requirements which are required of all degree candidates; (2) the major department requirements which are a part of the student’s field of specialization; (3) individual campus graduation requirements, and (4) state law requirements. These requirements are classified in two levels: lower division and upper division. Students may transfer a maximum of 70 lower division semester units which may involve preparation for the major and all of the lower division in the general education pattern while attending American River College.

General education requirements 2010-2011

To be eligible for graduation with a Bachelor’s Degree from a California State University, students must complete a minimum of 48 semester units of general education. At least 9 units must be upper division courses completed at the four year university American River College will certify completion of 39 lower division general education units for students if they follow the pattern outlined below. It is important that students complete the required courses for their major, or courses that prepare them for their major, prior to transfer; 60 transferable semester units are needed for a student to transfer with junior standing.

Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate Examinations are appropriate for inclusion in the General Education breadth list. See AP (Advanced Placement) Test Scores chart in Getting Started section of the ARC catalog.

Note: Students must meet with a counselor in order to have their CSU General Education certified prior to transfer.

2009-2010 California State University (CSU) General Education Pattern

The following American River College courses meet CSU lower division:

A. English Language Communication and Critical Thinking (9 units minimum, 1 course from each area)

| A1 (one course) | SPEECH 301, 331, 361 |
| A2 (one course) | ENGWR 300, 480; ESLW 340 |
| A3 (one course) | ENGWR 301, 302, 481, 482; ESL 350, PHIL 320; SPEECH 302, 311 |

B. Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning (9 units minimum, 1 course from each area.) One course from Section 1 or 2 must include a 4 or 5 unit course with a lab.

| B1 (one course) | ASTR 300, 310, 320, 330**, 400(L); CHEM 305(L), 309 (L), 325 (L), 400(L), 401(L), 423(L); GEOG 300**, 301(L), 306, +307, +308**, 309(L); GEOL 300**, 301(L), 305**, 306(L), 310**, 311(L), +325, +331(L), 342, 345; PHYS 310, 311**, 312(L), 350(L), 410(L); PS 300**, 301(L) |
| B2 (one course) | ANTH 300**, 301(L), 303, 480; BIOL 300, 303(L), 305(L), 310(L), 342, 350, 352, 370(L), 400(L), 410(L), 420(L), 430(L), 440(L), 442(L), 482(L); NATR 320(L); PSYC 310, 311(L) |
| B4 (one course) | CISP 440; MATH 300, 310, 325, 330, 340, 342, 344, 350, 351, 370, 400, 401, 402, 410, 420; PSYC 330; STAT 301 |
C. Arts and Humanities (9 units minimum with at least one from the Arts and one from Humanities plus 1 from either Arts or Humanities)

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D. (0-9) Social Sciences (9 units minimum, 1 course from each area.)

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E. Lifelong Learning and Self Development (3 units minimum, one course from each area.)

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*Courses appearing in more than one category may be used to satisfy only one category.
** Lab only course
Courses in the major field may or may not be counted for General Education. (For exceptions, see your counselor.)
B: transfer to the university of california

Please refer to www.csumentor.edu for more information.

This section gives general information concerning requirements for transfer into the nine University of California campuses that offer undergraduate programs. Specific information regarding preparation for major and/or breadth requirements to the individual campuses is available in the ARC Counseling Center.

Students wishing to transfer to a University of California campus have the option of using the IGETC (listed in Section C) or a UC campus's individual breadth requirements to meet lower division breadth requirements. However, not all majors at UC campuses accept the IGETC. Students should check with their ARC counselor in order to choose the correct option. Transfer students are encouraged to complete as many lower division major requirements as possible at ARC. UC campuses often select students based on their major preparation. It is advised that students meet with their ARC counselor regularly to make sure they are meeting UC entrance requirements. Students can also find lower division major requirements for UC campuses online [www.assist.org].

UC Minimum Admission/Eligibility Requirements

There are three ways to meet the University's minimum admission requirements for transfer students. The path you use depends on the degree to which you satisfied UC's minimum eligibility requirements for freshmen when you graduated from high school.

At high school graduation, if you:

1. Met the Subject, Scholarship and Examination Requirements then to be eligible to transfer to UC you must:
   - Maintain a C average (2.00 GPA) in your transferable coursework.

2. Met the Scholarship Requirement, but did not satisfy the Subject Requirement then to be eligible to transfer to UC you must:
   - Take transferable college courses in the missing subjects, earning a C or better in each course, and
   - Maintain a C average (2.00 GPA) in your transferable coursework.

3. Were not eligible for admission to UC because you did not meet the Scholarship Requirement then to be eligible to transfer to UC you must:

   a. Complete 60 semester (90 quarter units) of transferable credit with a 2.40 GPA, taking no more than 14 semester (21 quarter units) Pass/No Pass.

b. Complete the following course pattern, earning a grade for leadership, such as significant community service or significant participation in student government; or other significant experiences or achievements that demonstrate the applicant's promise for contributing to the intellectual vitality of a campus.

- Completion of special projects undertaken either in the context of the college/university curriculum or in conjunction with special school events, projects or programs cosponsored by the college/university, community organizations, post-secondary educational institutions, post-secondary educational institutions, other agencies or private firms, that offer significant evidence of an applicant's special effort and determination or that may indicate special suitability to an academic program on a specific campus.

- Academic accomplishments in light of the applicant's life experiences and special circumstances. These experiences and circumstances may include, but are not limited to, disabilities, low family income, first generation to attend college, need to work, disadvantaged social or educational environment, difficult personal and family situations or circumstances, refugee status or veteran status.

- Location of the applicant's college and residence. These factors shall be considered to provide for geographic diversity in the student population and also to account for the wide variety of education environments existing in California.

Advanced Standing (Transfer) Selection Guidelines

An advanced standing student is one who has been a registered student in another college or university or in college-level extension classes other than a summer session immediately following high school graduation. Advanced standing applicants may not disregard their college records and apply for admission as a freshman.

To be eligible for admission, applicants must meet the University's undergraduate admission requirements. The following guidelines provide the framework within which the campuses establish procedures for selecting applicants when the number of eligible applicants exceeds the places available.

Each campus develops enrollment targets that specify the number of new freshman and advanced standing students expected to enroll. Campuses that receive more applications than the number required to meet their enrollment target admit students using the criteria described below.

Primary emphasis in the selection will be given to the criteria related to academic performance (first four bulleted items). Consideration also will be given to other criteria to assess applicants' overall promise of success and to achieve strength and diversity in campuses' advanced standing student body (last four bullets).
Priority consideration for admission will be given to students eligible for transfer as juniors. Consideration may include the following:

- Completion of a specified pattern or number of courses that provide continuity with upper division courses in the major.
- Grade point average in all transferable courses.
- Participation in academically selective honors courses and/or programs.
- Special talents, achievements and awards in a particular field, such as in the visual and performing arts or in athletic endeavors; special skills, such as demonstrated written and oral proficiency in other languages; special interests, such as intensive study and exploration of other cultures; experiences that demonstrate unusual promise for leadership, such as significant community service or significant participation in student government; or other significant experiences or achievements that demonstrate the applicant’s promise for contributing to the intellectual vitality of a campus.
- Completion of special projects undertaken either in the context of the college/university curriculum or in conjunction with special school events, projects or programs cosponsored by the college/university, community organizations, post-secondary educational institutions, post-secondary educational institutions, other agencies or private firms, that offer significant evidence of an applicant’s special effort and determination or that may indicate special suitability to an academic program on a specific campus.
- Academic accomplishments in light of the applicant’s life experiences and special circumstances. These experiences and circumstances may include, but are not limited to, disabilities, low family income, first generation to attend college, need to work, disadvantaged social or educational environment, difficult personal and family situations or circumstances, refugee status or veteran status.
- Location of the applicant’s college and residence. These factors shall be considered to provide for geographic diversity in the student population and also to account for the wide variety of education environments existing in California.

**High school proficiency examination**

Transfer applicants who have passed a high school proficiency examination must also meet regular university entrance requirements.

**Transfer Opportunity Program (TOP)**

The Transfer Opportunity Program (TOP) exists at American River College to assist ARC transfer students in the transition to the University of California at Davis. A transfer advisor from UC Davis is available once a week in the Counseling Center at ARC to assist students in fulfilling admission requirements, lower division major requirements, breadth requirements, and screening requirements in selective majors.

If you are interested in meeting with the UC Davis transfer advisor, make an appointment in the Transfer Center.

See over for 2009-10 IGETC
2009-10 IGETC (for CSU and UC)

(Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum for transfer to the University of California and California State University)

Final status of this information was unavailable at publication time. Contact the ARC Counseling Center at (916) 484-8572 for 2010-09 requirements.

Completion of all the requirements in the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) will permit a student to transfer from a community college to a campus in either the California State University or University of California system without the need, after transfer to take additional lower-division general education courses. The course requirements for all areas should be completed before transfer. All courses must be completed with grades of “C” or better.

NOTE: Student must see a counselor to have this pattern certified before transferring. Students who have selected a specific campus for transfer should consult with an ARC counselor before following the IGETC pattern.

CSU/UC will always accept completion of general education coursework at certifying institutions provided the course was on an approved IGETC requirement list at the time it was completed.

Advanced placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate Examinations are appropriate for inclusion in the IGETC. See AP/IB Test Scores Chart in the Getting Started section of the ARC catalog.

ARC Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) 2009-10

AREA 1: English Communication (6-9 units)

| 1 A | ENGWR 300, 480  
Note: (UC Only) ENGWR 300 & 480 combined: maximum credit-1 course. |
| 1 B | ENGWR 301, 302, 481, 482  
Note: (UC Only) ENGWR 301 & 481 combined: maximum credit-1 course. ENGWR 302 & 482 combined: maximum credit-1 course. |
| One Course Group C | SPEECH 301, 331 (CSU requirement only) |

AREA 2: Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning (3 units)

| 2 A | MATH 340, 344, 350, 351, 370, 400, 401, 402, 410, 420; PSYC 330; STAT 301  
Note: (UC Only) Math 400, 350 & 340 combined: Math 401 & 351 combined – maximum credit 1 course for each set. PSYC 330,  
STAT 300 & 301  
STAT 301 combined: maximum credit-1 course |

AREA 3: Arts and Humanities (9 units, at least 1 course from Arts and 1 course from Humanities)

| 3 A | ARTH 300, 302, 308, 310, 312, 333, 354; MUFHL 300, 310, 311, 315, 321, 330, 400, 401, 410, 411, 480; TA 300, 302, 303, 306,  
310, 312, 314, 315, 350, 480  
Note: (UC Only) No Credit for MUFHL 321 if taken after 400. MUFHL 300 & 480 combined: maximum credit-1 course. TA  
350 & 480 combined: maximum credit-1 course. TA 312, 481 & 314, 315 combined: maximum credit-6 units |
| 3 B | ENGLT 300, 304, 310, 311, 320, 321, 327, 333, 334, 338, 340, 341, 345, 360, 378, 380, 382, 392, 403; FREN 411, 412; GERM  
411, 412; HIST 300, 302, 305, 340, 341, 346, 365, 367, 373, 480, 481; HUM 300, 310, 320, 326, 330, 360, 365; ITAL 411; PHIL  
300, 310, 330, 331, 350, 353, 354; SPAN 411, 412  
Note: (UC Only) HIST 300 & 480 combined: maximum credit-1 course. HIST 302 & 481 combined: maximum credit-1 course |
AREA 4: Social & Behavioral Sciences (9 units, at least 3 courses from at least 2 areas)

| 4 (A-J) 3 Courses | ANTH 310, 315, 320, 330, 333, 334, 341; ECE 312; ECON 302, 304; GEOG 310, 320, 322; HIST 307, 308, 310, 311, 318, 320, 321, 323, 325, 327, 330, 483, 484; JOUR 320; PHIL 360; POLS 301, 302, 310, 320, 322, 332; PSYC 300, 305, 320, 340, 356, 361, 370, 372, 480, 481; SOC 300, 301, 320, 325, 342, 350; SOCSOC 310, 312
| Note: (UC Only) PSYC 300, 305 & 480 combined: maximum credit-1 course. PSYC 340 & 481 combined: maximum credit-1 course. PSYC 372, 373 or ECE 312 combined; maximum credit-1 course HIST 310, 320 & 483 combined: maximum credit-1 course. HIST 311, 321 & 484 combined: maximum credit-1 course |

AREA 5: Physical and Biological Sciences (7-9 units, at least one physical science and one biological science, one must include a laboratory)

| 5A Physical Science 1 Course | ASTR 300, 310, 320, 330, 400(L); CHEM 305(L), 325(L), 400(L), 401(L), 423(L); GEOG 300, 301(L), 306, 307, 308, 309(L); GEOL 300, 301(L), 305, 306(L), 310, 311(L), 325, 330, 331(L), 345; PHYS 310, 311, 312 (L), 350(L), 410(L); PS 300, 301(L) |
| 5B Biological Science 1 Course | ANTH 300, 301(L), 303, 480; BIOL 300, 303(L), 305(L), 310(L), 342, 350, 352, 370(L), 400(L), 410(L), 420(L), 430(L), 440(L), 442(L), 482(L); NATR 320(L); PSYC 310, 311(L) |
| Note: (UC Only) ANTH 300 & 480 combined: maximum credit-1 course. ASTR 300, 310 & 320 combined: maximum credit-2 courses. BIOL 370 & 482 combined: maximum credit-1 course. BIOL 300, 303 & 310 combined: maximum credit-2 courses. No credit for BIOL 300 or 310, if taken after BIOL 400. CHEM 305, 306, 400 & 401 combined: maximum credit-1 series. CHEM 420 & 423 combined: maximum credit-1 course. PHYS 350, 360 & 410, 412, 431 combined: maximum credit-1 series. PHYS 310 & 311 combined: maximum credit-1 course. No credit for PHYS 310 or 311, if taken after 410 or 350. No credit for GEOL 305, if taken after a college course in Astronomy, Geology, Meteorology or Oceanography. No credit for GEOL 306 if taken after GEOL 300 or 301. No credit for PS 300 if taken after a college level course in Astronomy, Chemistry, Geology, Meteorology or Physics. |

UC Requirement Only

| 6A Language – Not English | Proficiency equivalent to two years of high school study in the same language. Or, the following courses at ARC also will fulfill this requirement: FREN 401, 402, 411, 412 GERM 401,402, 411, 412 ITAL 401, 402, 411 JAPAN 401, RUSS 401,402, SILA 305, 306, 315, 316, SPAN 401, 402, 411, 412 Note: Please see a counselor for options for fulfilling this requirement. |

CSU Graduation Requirement Only

| U.S. History, Constitution and American Ideals 6 semester units, one course from each group | Group 1 – POLS 301 |
| Group 2 – HIST 310, 311, 318, 320, 321, 323, 325, 327, 330, 483, 484 |
| Note: If a student used these 2 courses to fulfill AREA 4, the student may need to complete two additional upper division courses in AREA 4 after transferring. |
transfer services and resources

Transfer Center

The Transfer Center provides to students and all staff the most current information to ensure a smooth transition to four-year colleges and universities. Applications, catalogs, and other resource materials, including Internet access, are available to students who are committed to transfer as well as to those exploring the possibility of transfer. Students may talk to community college counselors and meet with admissions advisors from several colleges and universities including, but not limited to, California State University, Sacramento; University of California, Davis; and University of the Pacific. Each of the four-year representatives can assist with other campuses within their system. A calendar listing the dates and times the Transfer Center is hosting college representatives can be found at: arc.losrios.edu/transfer.

Working with ARC counselors, students who meet certain criteria may enter into a Transfer Admissions Agreement (TAA) with Bethany University, Golden Gate University, Humboldt State University, Santa Clara University, UC Davis, UC Irvine, UC Merced, UC Riverside, UC San Diego, UC Santa Barbara, UC Santa Cruz, and the University of the Pacific. TAAs guarantee eligible students admission as juniors to the above campuses.

The mission of the Transfer Center is to help students learn of the many options available to them to continue their studies at four-year colleges and universities. ARC is committed to helping students become better informed so that they may plan for their future with as much knowledge and support as possible. The center is located in the Counseling Center, and also maintains a website [arc.losrios.edu/transfer]. Phone (916) 484-8685.

Transcripts

A transcript is an official record of work completed at American River College, and is required for admission to other colleges and universities.

Two ARC transcripts are furnished free, and others may be ordered for $2 each, payable in advance. The student must initiate a written request to Enrollment Services or submit their request online through the college website [www.arc.losrios.edu]. A service charge of $10 is assessed for any transcript requested to be processed within 24 hours. Students may also request transcripts by faxing (916) 484-8865. A credit card number is required for transcripts that are ordered through fax, and a $10 charge per transcript is imposed.