

CSUB General Education and Graduation Requirements – Term: Spring 2026* For Students Admitted Fall 2025 or after

First Year Seminar

FYS- General (Take One Course)

CSUB 1029 First Year Seminar

FYS- Business (Take One Course)

BA 1028 FYS for Business Majors

FYS- Engineering (Take Two Course)

ECE/ENGR 1618 Intro to Engr I

ECE/ENGR 1628 Intro to Engr II

Subject Area 3 - Arts and Humanities: Take one course from each sub-area. (Prior: Area C)

Area 3A Arts (Prior: C1)

ART 1009	Pract & App Visual Art (WC-co){R}
ART 1019	Art in Context
ART 2508	Surv of Art Prehist-1400 (WC){R}
ART 2608	Art 1400 to Present (WC){R}
MUS 1019	Music Appreciation
MUS 1039	Jazz Appreciation (WC-co){R}
MUS 1049	Mus from Gbl Persp (WC-co){Q}
THTR 1008	Beginning Acting

Area 3B Humanities (Prior: C2)

COMM 2038	Visual Language (CT){R}
COMM 2518	Intro to Film Studies (WC)
ENGL 1208	Intro to Literature
ENGL 2408	Intro to World Literature (WC){S}
ENGL 2518	Intro to Film Studies (WC){S}
HIST 1418	World History Pt. 1 (WC-co){R}
HIST 1428	World History Pt. 2 (WC-co){R}
MODL 2318	International Film & Culture
PHIL 1119	Intro to Philosophy
PHIL 1319	Contemporary Moral Issues (CT){S}
PHIL/INST 2329	Sexual Ethics {Q}
RS 1108	Jesus, Buddha & the Moral Life
RS 1118	Religion and Film (OC-co){Q}
RS 1128	A History of God (WC-co){R}
RS 1138	Religions of Asia (WC-co){R}

American Institutions:

Take one course in American Institutions History and American Institutions Government

American Institutions – Government

PLSI 1018 Am Government & Politics (CT)
PPA 2008 Am Govt & Public Admin (CT, WC)

American Institutions – History

HIST 1218 Survey of US Hist to 1877 (WC)
HIST 1228 Survey of US Hist Since 1865 (WC)

Subject Area 4 - Social and Behavioral Sciences: Take one course. (Prior: Area D)

ANTH 1118	Intro to Archaeology (WC-co) {R}
ANTH 1208	Intro to Biological Archaeology
CRJU 1108	Intro to Criminal Justice
ECON 2018	Essentials of Micro-Economics
ECON 2028	Essentials of Macro-Economics
PSYC 1018	Explorations in Psychology
SOC 1008	Intro to Sociology

Subject Area 5 - Physical and Biological Sciences: Take one course from each sub-area. (Prior: Area B)

Area 5A Physical Science (3-units; Prior: B1)

CHEM 1009	CSI: Crime Scene Investig Chem*
GEOL 1009	How the Earth Works
GEOL 1209	Earthquakes, Volc and Nat Disasters
GEOL 2069	Sust Energy and Environment (WC){Q}
PHYS 1609	Intro to Astronomy

Area 5B Biological Science (3-units; Prior: B2)

BIOL 1009	Perspectives in Biology
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Area 5C lab course (1-unit; Prior: B3)

CHEM 1109	CSI: Crime Scene Investig Chem Lab*
GEOL 1049	Fossils: Clues to Prehistoric Life

*The 5C lab course has a prerequisite or corequisite of its corresponding 5A course

Subject Area 6 - Ethnic Studies: Take one course. (Prior: Area F)

ETHS 1208	Intro to Ethnic Studies (OC) {R}
ETHS 1308	Intro to Asian Am & Pac Isl (OC) {R}
ETHS 1508	Intro to Chicana/o/x Studies (OC) {R}

JYDR - Junior Year Diversity and Reflection: Take one course

BA 3008	Diversity in Business Org. (WC)
COMM 3088	Gender and Communications (WC)
EDSP 3268	People with Disab & Am Edu (WC)
EDTE 3308	Sociocultural Foundation of Edu (WC)
ENGL 3119	Advanced Writing (WC) [GWAR]
HIST 3228	American Indian History (WC)
INST 3128	Gender and Sexuality (WC-co)
INST 3138	Ethnicity and Culture (WC-co)
KINE 3338	Woman, Sport, and Physical Act. (WC)
PH 3218	Health Equity (WC)
PHIL 3548	Race, Class, Gender and Sexuality (WC)
PSYC 3638	The Psyc of Sexual Orientation (WC)
RS 3368	Women, Religion and Sexuality (WC)
RS 3378	Religious Diversity in California (WC)
SOC 3208	Jr Diversity and Research Ethics (WC)
THTR 3128	Contemp Latina/o Dramatic Lit (WC)
THTR 3138	Women Playwrights (WC)

Key

WC: English Composition (Area 1A)

CT: Critical Thinking (Area 2A)

OC: Oral Communication (Area 3A)

QR: Quantitative Reasoning (Area 2)

“-co”: Co-Requisite

Prior: Refers to the previous GE labels used Spring 2025 and in all prior terms.



Upper Division Thematic Courses: Take two courses (one course from each of the Areas outside of the area represented by the student's major). Students must have completed at least 60 units and the corresponding lower-division GE area before enrolling in UD Area 3, UD Area 4, or UD Area 5.

Upper Division Subject Area 3 – Arts or Humanities: Take one course (Prior: Upper Division C)

UD 3 (CT) (Prior: UDC)

ART 3618	Rev. Art of 19th Cent. (WC){R}
ART 3648	Hist of Photography (WC){R}
COMM 3038	Video Game Analysis (WC){R}
COMM 3048	Art of Film. (WC){R}
COMM 3058	Intercultural Comm. (WC){S}
ENGL 3248	Ethnic Literature (WC){Q}
ENGL 4708	Studies in Fiction (WC){R}
HIST 4528	Plagues & Public Hist (WC){Q}
HIST 4548	Hist of War (WC){Q}
HIST 4638	Build Empire: Hist of Rome (WC){R}
MUS 3019	Musical Drama (WC){Q}
MUS 3039	America's Musical Life (WC){Q}
PHIL 3118	Philosophy in Lit. and Film (WC){Q}
PHIL 3268	Marxism (OC){R}
PHIL 3318	Prof Ethics (WC){Q}[GWAR]
PHIL 3338	Business Ethics (WC){S}[GWAR]
PHIL 3358	Phil, Tech & Our Future (WC){R}
RS 3208	Explorations in Scripture (WC){R}
RS 3528	Holocaust & Impact (WC){S}
RS 3548	Spiritual Quest (WC){Q}
RS 3608	Rel Lit for the Prof (WC){S}[GWAR]
RS 4518	The Meaning of Death (WC){Q}
THTR 3118	Restoration to Experim.(WC){Q}

Upper Division Subject Area 5 – Science: Take one course (Prior: Upper Division B)

UD 5 (QR) (Prior: UDB)

BIO 3309	CA Natural Hist (CT){R}
BIO 3318	Rev Ideas in Human Bio (CT){R}
GEOL 3318	California Geology & Society (WC){R}
GEOL 3328	Water and the West (WC){S}
SCI 3109	The Sci of Food (WC){Q}
SCI 3209	Computers & Society (WC){R}(P)
SCI 3609	Intro to Modern Cosmos (WC){R}
SCI 3639	Intro to Weather Dynamics (CT){S}

GWAR - Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement: Junior or higher and completion of Area 1A. Requirement may be satisfied by one of the following courses.

GWAR

COMM 3008	Tech and Rpt. Writing
ENGL 3109	Modes of Writing
ENGL 3119	Advanced Writing [JYDR]
HIST 3008	Historical Writing
PHIL 3318	Prof Ethics (WC){Q}[UD3]
PHIL 3338	Business Ethics (WC){S}[UD3]
PPA 4038	Public Policy Process (CT)
RS 3608	Rel Lit for the Prof (WC){S}[UD3]

Upper Division Subject Area 4 – Social and Behavioral Sciences: Take one course (Prior: Upper Division D)

UD 4 (CT) (Prior: UDD)

ANTH 3308	Anthropology Through Film (WC){Q}
BA 3108	Business and Society. (OC){S}
CRJU 3318	Women & CJ System (WC){S}
CRJU 3448	Drugs & Crime (WC){S}
CRJU 3608	Gangs in America (WC){Q}
CRJU 4638	Victims & CJ System (WC){S}
ECON 3108	Econ of Hlth & Hlth Care (QR){S}
ENGL 4648	Sociolinguistics (WC){Q}
KINE 3118	Epidemiology & Wellness (OC){Q}
PLSI 3248	Women & Politics (WC){Q}(PL)
PLSI 3428	California Politics (WC){S}
PLSI 3648	Food Politics & Policy (WC){S}
PPA 3408	Policy Networks (WC){S}
PSYC 4358	Positive Psych (OC){Q}
SOC 3408	Gender and Society (WC){S}
SOC 3658	Violence & Society (WC){Q}
SOC 4008	Soc and Natural Environment (WC){S}
SOC 4038	Technology and Society (WC){R}

Academic Resources

Departmental contacts and major requirements: www.csub.edu/academics
 Major, minor, and GE requirements and course descriptions: www.csub.edu/catalog
 General Education: www.csub.edu/ge
 Arts and Humanities Student Center: (661) 654-2221
 Business and Public Admin. Student Center: (661) 654-2326
 Natural Sci., Math and Engr. Student Center: (661) 654-6322
 Nursing Student Center: (661) 654-2505
 Social Sci. and Edu. Student Center: (661) 654-6807

Capstone: Student must complete at least 90 units and JYDR. Departments may assign additional prerequisites. The departments below offer Capstone as part of their senior seminar. Students whose department is not listed, please see your advisor.

Capstone (OC)

ART 4058	Senior Project and Exhibition
ART 4908	Senior Thesis
ANTH 4598	A Demon Haunted World
BA 4908	Senior Seminar
BIOL 4918	Senior Seminar Biology
BIOL 4928	Senior Seminar Human Biology
CAFS 4908	Senior Seminar and Capstone
CHEM 4908	Senior Seminar for Chemistry
CHEM 4948	Senior Seminar for Biochemistry
CMPS 4928	Senior Project II
COMM 4908	Senior Seminar
CRJU 4908	Senior Seminar in Criminal Justice
ECE 4928	Senior Project II
ECON 4908	Senior Project
ENGL 4908	Senior Seminar
ENGL 4918	Senior Seminar for Pros. Teachers
ERM 4908	Senior Seminar
GEOL 4908	Senior Field Seminar
HIST 4908	Senior Seminar
INST 4908	Senior Seminar
KINE 4868	Internship and Capstone
LBST 4908	Senior Seminar
MATH 4908	Senior Seminar
MATH 4918	Senior Seminar for Pros. Teachers
NURS 4908	Leadership in Nursing
PH 4918	Senior Seminar in Public Health
PHIL 4908	Senior Seminar
PLSI 4908	Senior Seminar
PPA 4908	Senior Seminar in Pub. Adm.
PSYC 4908	Senior Seminar
RS 4908	Senior Seminar
SOC 4988	Senior Seminar in Soc
SPAN 4908	Senior Seminar/Capstone

General Education Interdisciplinary Thematic Minors

Theme Q: Quality of Life Minor

Theme R: Revolutionary Ideas and Innovations Minor

Theme S: Sustainability and Justice Minor

Thematic Minors: By completing four courses (12 units) of course work in the same theme, a student can earn a thematic minor. At least two of the courses (6 units) must be at the upper division level.

Theme Q: Quality of Life

Area 3A Arts:

MUS 1049 Music from Global Persp. (WC-co){Q}
THTR 1109 Intro to Theatre (WC){Q}

Area 3B Humanities:

ETHS 1008 Introduction to Latina/o Studies {Q}
ETHS 1108 Intro to Comparative Ethnic Studies {Q}
PHIL 2129 Philosophy of Self and Human Nature
PHIL 2139 Race Matters {Q}
PHIL/INST 2329 Sexual Ethics {Q}
RS 1118 Religion and Film (OC-co){Q}
RS 2018 Anime Spirituality {Q}
RS 2108 Latinx Spiritualities {Q}

Area 4 Social and Behavioral Sciences:

ENGL 2608 Introduction to Language Study {Q}

Area 5A Physical Science:

None

Area 5B Biological Science:

None

Area 6 Ethnic Studies:

None

UD Area 3 (CT):

COMM 3068 FILM & Society {Q}
ENGL 3248 Ethnic Literature (CT){Q}
ENGL 3518 Special Topics in Film Studies {Q}
MUS 3039 American's Musical Life {Q}
MUS 3019 Musical Drama (WC){Q}
PHIL 3118 Philosophy in Lit. and Film (WC){Q}
PHIL 3318 Prof Ethics (WC){Q}
PHIL 3348 Bioethics{Q}
PHIL 3418 Phil of Democracy
PLSI 3418 Phil of Democracy
RS 3548 Spiritual Quest (WC){Q}
RS 4518 The Meaning of Death (WC){Q}
THTR 3108 Antiquity to Rebirth {Q}
THTR 3118 Restoration to Experim. (WC){Q}

UD Area 4 (CT):

ANTH 3308 Anth Through Film (WC){Q}
CRJU 3608 Gangs in America (WC){Q}
ECON 3108 Econ of Health and Health Care {Q}
ECON 4588 Labor Economics {Q}
ENGL 4648 Sociolinguistics (WC){Q}
KINE 3118 Epidemiology & Wellness (OC)
PLSI 3248 Women in Politics (WC){Q}
PSYC 4358 Positive Psych (OC){Q}
PSYC 3688 People and Animal Companions{Q}
SOC 3008 Social Psychology {Q}
SOC 3658 Violence & Society (WC){Q}

UD Area 5 (QR):

BIOL 3309 California Natural History
SCI 3109 The Science of Food (WC){Q}

Theme R: Revolutionary Ideas and Innovations

Area 3A Arts:

ART 1009 Pract & App of Visual Art (WC-co){R}
ART 2508 Art Prehistory to 1400 (WC){R}
ART 2608 Art 1400 to Present (WC){R}
MUS 1039 Jazz Appreciation (WC-co){R}

Area 3B Humanities:

COMM 2038 Visual Language (WC){R}
ENGL 2208 American Lit Survey I (WC-co){R}
ENGL 2308 British Literature Survey I (WC-co){R}
HIST 1418 World History Pt. 1 (WC-co){R}
HIST 1428 World History Pt. 2 (WC-co){R}
PHIL 2119 Great Philosophical Ideas {R}
RS 1128 A History of God (WC-co){R}
RS 1138 Religions of Asia (WC-co){R}

Area 4 Social and Behavioral Sciences:

ANTH 1118 Intro to Archaeology (A2-co){R}

Area 5A Physical Science:

None

Area 5B Biological Science:

None

Area 6 Ethnic Studies:

ETHS 1208 Introduction to Ethnic Studies (OC){R}
ETHS 1308 Intro Asian Am. Studies. (OC){R}

UD Area 3 (CT):

ART 3618 Rev. Art of 19th Cent. (WC){R}
ART 3648 Hist of Photography (WC){R}
COMM 3028 Graph Design: Prehist to AI (WC){R}
COMM 3038 Video Game Analysis (WC){R}
COMM 3048 Art of Film (WC){R}
COMM 3078 Mass Media & Soc. (WC){R}
ENGL 4708 Studies in Genre (WC){R}
HIST 4248 Film and Identity in History (WC){R}
HIST 4508 The History of War (WC){R}

HIST 4638 Build Empire: Hist of Rome (WC){R}

PHIL 3358 Phil, Tech and Our Future (WC){R}

RS 3518 The American Dream

PHIL 3268 Marxism (OC){R}

RS 3208 Explorations in Scripture (WC){R}

RS 3518 The American Dream (WC){R}

RS 3538 Religion and Human Rights (WC){R}

RS 3558 Rel and Poli in the Mod World (OC){R}

UD Area 4 (CT):

ECON 3118 The Pacific Rim Economies (WC){R}
PLSI 3228 Politics & Religion in the US (WC){R}

PSYC 3248 Obs in Studying the Brain (WC){R}

PSYC 3678 Ppl, Ethics & Other Animals (WC){R}

SOC 4038 Technology and Society (WC){R}

SOC 4068 The Civil Rights Movement (WC){R}

UD Area 5 (QR):

BIOL 3318 Rev. Ideas in Human Bio (OC){R}

GEOL 3318 California Geology & Society (WC){R}

GEOL 3339 Dinos: Paleo, Evol & Extinct (CT){R}

SCI 3209 Computers & Society (WC) {R}

SCI 3119 Rev Ideas in Chemistry (WC) {R}

SCI 3609 Intro to the Modern Cosmos (WC){R}

Theme S: Sustainability and Justice

Area 3A Arts:

None

Area 3B Humanities:

ENGL 2408 Intro to World Literature (WC){S}
PHIL 1319 Cont. Moral Issues (CT){S}
RS 1108 Jesus, Buddha & Mor Lf (OC-co){S}

Area 4 Social and Behavioral Sciences:

ANTH 2308 Nat Peoples of North Am. (A2-co){S}

Area 5A Physical Science:

GEOL 2069 Sust Energy and Environment (QR){S}

Area 5B Biological Science:

None

Area 6 Ethnic Studies:

None

UD Area 3 (CT):

COMM 3058 Intercultural Comm. (WC){S}
COMM 3089 Comm and the Environ (WC){S}
ENGL 3268 Writing Nat: Lit and Environ (WC){S}
HIST 3258 The American Environment (WC){S}
PHIL 3338 Business Ethics (WC){S}
PHIL 3368 Environmental Philosophy (WC){S}
PHIL 3528 Personhood (WC){S}
RS 3528 Holocaust & Impact (WC){S}
RS 3608 Religious Lit for the Prof (WC){S}
RS 4528 Rel, Ethics, and Soc. Justice (WC){S}

UD Area 4 (CT):

ANTH 3318 Peoples of Mexico (WC){S}
BA 3108 Business and Society. (OC){S}
CRJU 3318 Women & CJ System (WC){S}
CRJU 3448 Drugs & Crime (WC){S}
CRJU 4638 Victims & CJ System (WC){S}
ECON 3418 Energy Economics and Policy (OC){S}
ECON 4108 Interntl Economic Devlpm. (WC){S}
ECON 3508 Environmental Economics (QR){S}
MATH 3209 Stat Meas of Inequality in Soc (CT){S}
PHIL 3528 Personhood (WC){S}
PLSI 3418 California Politics (WC){S}
PLSI 3648 Food Politics and Policy (WC){S}
PPA 3408 Policy Networks (WC,OC){S}
PSYC 3658 Psychology of Good and Evil (WC){S}
SOC 3408 Gender and Society (WC){S}
SOC 4008 Soc and Natural Environment (WC){S}

UD Area 5 (QR):

GEOL 3329 Water and the West (WC){S}

SCI 3639 Intro to Weather Dynamics (CT){S}

SCI 3129 Environ Chem & Sust (OC){S}