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IGETC overview and history
History and oversight

When was IGETC developed?
• Began in 1991 - over 30 years ago!

Why was IGETC developed?
• Statewide lower-division GE Curriculum
• Meant to facilitate transfers between CCCs and UC/CSU

Who oversees IGETC?
• ICAS (Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senates)
IGETC Standards
What are the IGETC Standards?

- Rules and regulations for meeting each IGETC area
- Extensive guidance for satisfying Area 6A
- Information about how to use AP and IB scores to meet IGETC areas
- Updated each year after review by IGETC Standards Subcommittee
  - IGETC Version 2.3 (June 2022) includes the core competencies in Ethnic Studies to meet IGETC Area 7
IGETC for UC

UC IGETC is comprised of:

• 11 courses + 1 proficiency requirement

• Minimum 34 semester or 45 quarter units

• Minimum grade required in each course: C or better, or the equivalent
Benefits of IGETC

UC 7-course pattern

• All students are required to meet 7-course pattern for eligibility

• If all coursework from a CCC, IGETC will meet 7-course pattern
IGETC by area

Area 1: English Communication
- 1A: English Composition
- 1B: Critical Thinking-English Composition
- Oral Communication (CSU requirement only)

Area 2A: Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning

Area 3: Arts and Humanities
- 3A: Arts
- 3B: Humanities

Area 4: Social and Behavioral Sciences

Area 5: Physical and Biological Sciences
- 5A: Physical Science
- 5B: Biological Science
- 5C: Lab

Area 6: Language Other Than English
- UC requirement only
- Proficiency equivalent to two years of high school study in the same language

**Each course must have a minimum unit value of at least 3 semester or 4 quarter units**
New IGETC Area 7 – Ethnic Studies

Criteria published in IGETC standards 2.3 - June 2022

● TCA-approved courses may be submitted for IGETC Area 7 review - December 2022

● CCC courses may reflect Area 7 designation effective - Fall 2023

● Starting fall 2023, new students entering a CCC who follow IGETC will be required to fulfill the new Area 7 upon transfer to UC or CSU
Benefits of IGETC continued

Time to degree

• Satisfies most or all lower-division G.E. requirements at the UC campus

• IGETC may be shorter than what campus requires

• Most campuses will not accept high school LOTE for their G.E.
Credit by external exams
Credit by external exams (AP & IB)

- No limit on number of exams
- Scores of 3, 4 or 5 only on AP exams
- Scores of 5, 6 or 7 only on IB HL exams
- One exam satisfies one course in one area
- No exam satisfies Area 1B

Unit Value

- Must have a minimum unit value of 3 semester or 4 quarter units
Credit by external exam

No limit on number of external exams that can be applied to IGETC. External exams may be used regardless of when exam was taken.

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<td><strong>Units</strong></td>
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* Exception: Bio, Chem, Phys 1, Phys 2, and Phys B exams can equate to 4 sem/5 qtr units for certification

** Refer to AP and IB IGETC chart per UC campus
Myths about external exams

Myth #1 - There is a limit on the number of external exams that can be applied to IGETC.

REALITY - There is NO LIMIT on the number of external exams that can be applied to IGETC.

Myth #4: AP English Language or AP Literature with a score of a 5, satisfies AREA 1B-Critical Thinking/Composition.

REALITY: There is no equivalent AP exam for AREA 1B-Critical Thinking/Composition requirement.
LOTE proficiency

Area 6/6A: Language other than English
AREA 6/6A LOTE proficiency

High school courses (Section 10.6.1)

- In a school with English as the language of instruction
  - Complete 2nd level high school LOTE with letter grade of C- or better
  - May use high school level LOTE courses completed in 7th and 8th grade
- In an institution where the language of instruction is not English:
  - Formal schooling through the 6th grade level or higher
Exams (Section 10.6.1)

- Earn a satisfactory score on an SAT Subject Test in LOTE
- Earn a satisfactory score on an AP or IB exam in LOTE
- Earn a grade of C or better on an (I)GCSE, O-level, or GCE A-level exam in LOTE
- Satisfactory completion of an achievement test in LOTE administered by a community college, university, or other college
College option

College LOTE course(s):

- Must be completed with grades equivalent to a C(2.0) grade or higher
- LOTE for Native Speakers is allowed.

College and university proficiency test(s):

- Must be assessed at level equivalent to the 2nd level of high school LOTE.
- Assessment must be posted on the transcript with course title, units and a grade, OR on a letter-headed document indicating proficiency equivalent to the 2nd level of high school study.
Myths about LOTE proficiency

MYTH #1: In high school, a student earns a D grade in the first semester of FRENCH 2 and a C grade in the second semester of FRENCH 2. LOTE has not been satisfied.

REALITY - Completion of the second level of high school coursework in a language other than English with a letter grade of “C-” or better in the second semester of the second year will satisfy LOTE.

MYTH #2: Student completes SPAN 1A at a CCC (this course is equivalent to the 2nd level of high school instruction) with a letter grade of C. LOTE has not been satisfied.

REALITY – Satisfactory completion of a course (or courses) at a college or university equivalent to the 2nd level of high school instruction, with a letter grade of “C” (2.0 or higher or a “Credit/Pass” grade where passing is equivalent to 2.00 or higher) in each course, will meet the LOTE proficiency requirement.
Using non-CCC coursework on IGETC
Using non-CCC coursework to meet Area 1A and Area 2A

- Non-CCC coursework must be from U.S. regionally-accredited institutions
- Courses from non-CCC institutions should be similar in content and level
- If a course has been determined by UC or CSU to meet minimum transfer admissions eligibility, the course may be applied to IGETC
Which course(s) meets Area 1A/English UC-E?

Highline College

ENGL 099 PREPARATORY COLLEGE WRITING I

- Students study and practice writing paragraphs and essays, achieving unity and developing ideas that are clearly and concisely expressed in topic and thesis sentences. Review the fundamentals of English sentence structure, usage and punctuation and provides practice in these areas. Students who pass five credits of ENGL 099 with a 2.0 or better should be prepared to begin ENGL& 101 or ENGL& 101 Plus Support.

University of Florida

ENC 1101 EXPOSITORY AND ARGUMENTATIVE WRITING

- The principal elements of writing clearly, efficiently and effectively. ENC 1101 also focuses on writing logical arguments, building research skills and developing critical thinking through reading, writing and discussion. Attributes: General Education - Composition, Satisfies 6000 Words of Writing Requirement.

ENGL 099 Does Not Meet
Which course(s) meet Area 2A/Math UC-M?

TEXAS A& M University, TX

MATH 1414 COLLEGE ALGEBRA

In-depth study and applications of polynomial, rational, radical, exponential and logarithmic functions, and systems of equations using matrices. Additional topics such as sequences, series, probability, and conics may be included.

Green River College, WA

MATH& 142 PRECALCULUS II

Using upper-division coursework

Per the IGETC Standards (Section 5.2.2)

- Upper-division courses may not be appropriate for IGETC, but there may be some exceptions.
- If a non-CCC course is determined comparable to one taught and approved for IGETC at a CCC, it may be applied to IGETC even if it is upper-division.
Area 6/6A scenario

Education Outside the U.S.

- Student was educated in France through 10th grade with French as the language of instruction but earns a U.S. high school diploma after 12th
- The student does not have the academic record from France
- Student completes FREN 4/Intermediate French at your CCC with A grade
- UC does not award credit for any lower-division LOTE courses in the HS language of instruction

Can the CCC use French 4 to certify IGETC?  
YES, for both AREA 3B and AREA 6A

Reminder: UC LOTE limitations are not IGETC restrictions
Partial IGETC/full IGETC
Full IGETC certification

- Student has met all areas of IGETC in full
- Last CCC of attendance is responsible for certifying
- Certification must indicate whether it is for UC or CSU
- Certification can be a separate form or simply a notation on the official transcript
Partial IGETC certification

- Allows a student to complete IGETC after transfer
- Missing up to, but no more than, TWO courses for full certification
- Missing courses should not be English or Math
- Partial certification must indicate what areas are missing
- Partial certification is not accepted by every college/school/major program at UC
IGETC for STEM

- Students preparing for a major in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics should complete IGETC for STEM.

- For IGETC for STEM certification, complete the following courses before transfer:
  - All courses in Area 1 (except 1C for UC-bound students), Area 2, and Area 5 of the traditional IGETC; and
  - One course in Area 3A; one course in Area 3B; and two courses in Area 4 from two different disciplines.
Myths about IGETC for UC
Myths about IGETC for UC

MYTH #1: IGETC is required for admission to UC.
REALITY: IGETC is NOT required for admission, but completion of IGETC may be a selection criteria for some campuses and majors.

MYTH #2: IGETC guarantees admission to UC.
REALITY: The only guarantee is through TAG (or a TAG-based program) to six of our campuses.
Myths continued...

MYTH #3: IGETC is *more important* than major prep.
REALITY: Preparation for the major is typically the most important criteria in selection for all our campuses.

Myth #4: IGETC is recommended for every type of transfer student.
REALITY: Students who initially enroll at a UC campus, then leave and attend a community college, and return to the same campus cannot use IGETC. Such students are considered “readmits” by the UC.
Myths continued...

**MYTH #5: IGETC is for everybody.**

REALITY: Not every program or major recommends or accepts IGETC.

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IGETC reminders and resources
IGETC reminders

- IGETC certificate or transcript notation must indicate UC IGETC whether it is full or partial.

- Partial IGETC must indicate which areas are missing.

- Accepting non-CCC coursework for IGETC does not necessarily mean the course will transfer to UC.

- The CCC – not UC – decides when or if to certify IGETC.

- Refer to IGETC Standards frequently.

- Always check accreditation of a non-CCC before using coursework to meet IGETC.

- Refer questions about UC IGETC to UCOP (askUC@ucop.edu) rather than individual campuses.

- IGETC Standards 2.3 version outlines changes to IGETC Areas of Distribution including Area 7 competencies (Starting Fall 2023) (pg. 32 to 35).
Resources

IGETC Standards, Policies and Procedures Manual 2.3 (June 2022)
https://icas-ca.org/igetc/standards-policies-and-procedures-manual/

Quick Reference Guide to UC Admissions

UC Counselors website
https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/preparing-transfer-students/

Counselors and Advisers Bulletin
https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/connect-to-resources/counselors-and-advisers-bulletin.html

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