



**GENERAL EDUCATION PATTERN FOR THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY (CSU) SYSTEM
(Does NOT apply to any of the campuses of the University of California [UC] System)**

Executive Order 595

EFFECTIVE: For New Students, Fall 1996

To obtain a bachelor's degree from any of the California State University campuses, students are required to complete a minimum of 48 semester units in general education courses in the following areas: Area A - nine (9) units; Area B - twelve (12) units; Area C - twelve (12) units; Area D - twelve (12) units; and, Area E - three (3) units. Up to 39 lower-division units may be completed at and certified by California Community Colleges. After the student has transferred, the CSU campus will then specify a minimum of 9 more upper division units to be taken primarily in Areas B, C and D.

Students admitted to a CSU campus with full certification may not be held to any additional lower-division general education requirements; students admitted to a CSU campus with Subject-area certification may not be held to any additional lower-division general education coursework in the subject areas certified. Neither full certification nor subject area certification exempts students from unmet lower-division graduation requirements that may exist outside of the general education program of the campus awarding the degree.

Certification is not automatic. Students must request certification from IVC's Admissions Office. Completed general education courses will be reflected on this form and attached to each transcript sent to a CSU campus.

The 23 Outstanding Campuses of the CSU

