

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD
ACADEMIC SENATE

Changes to the GE Breadth Requirement – Ethnic Studies

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RESOLVED That the following changes be made to the existing GE (AIMS) Structure at CSUB:

1. The Ethnic Studies (ETHS) Unit Implementation Task Force supports maintaining standard curricular approval processes. ETHS faculty, as inherent members of the CSU Council on Ethnic Studies, are within their rights to solicit help from Ethnic Studies departments and/or programs from any CSU campus in determining the appropriateness of a course for an ETHS designation. These include: African-American or Black Studies; Chicana/o/x or Latina/o/x Studies; Native, Indigenous, and American Indian Studies; and Asian-American and Pacific Islander Studies.
2. Creation of Area F within the General Education (GE) program, where GE ETHS courses (or any courses approved for cross-listing with/as GE ETHS) are offered.
3. Reduction of GE lower division Area D from 6 units to 3 units: impacted departments (Sociology, Psychology, Economics, Anthropology, Criminal Justice, English) will be notified of this change.
4. The programs/degrees that need General Education Modifications (GEMs) will work, through their department and GECCo, on accommodating AB1460 and Title V Revisions, given their unique circumstances. These cannot modify the Area F ETHS requirement.

RESOLVED that the above does not take effect until the Chancellor's Office affirms that the "Ethnic Studies Requirement Implementation Plan and Timeline" received on September 10, 2020 will be the adopted policy, with its existing interpretation of AB1460 and Title V changes, and that there are no subsequent modifications of this memo by the start of the 2021-2022 Academic Year.

RATIONALE The ETHS Unit Implementation Task Force has crafted a Senate Resolution based on the current understanding of AB1460 and Title V changes, based on the Chancellor's Office memo "Ethnic Studies Requirement Implementation Plan and Timeline" received on September 10, 2020. This proposal operates on the CSUB Curriculum Timeline and Workflow Process documentation.

Because the ETHS Unit Implementation Task Force believes that the Chancellor's Office did not operate using shared governance, this resolution will be modified if the Chancellor's Office further modifies their orders.

Attachment List: Current and Proposed GE Structure Appendix

Distribution List:

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Approved by the Academic Senate November 12, 2020

Sent to the President November 20, 2020

Approved by the President December 2, 2020

Appendix: Current and Proposed GE Structure

Current CSUB General Education – 48 units	Proposed CSUB General Education – 48 units
<p>LD Area A – 9 units in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A1 Oral Communication (3 units) • A2 Written Communication (3 units) • A3 Critical Reasoning (3 units) <p>LD Area B – 9 units in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B1 Physical Sciences (3 units) • B2 Life Sciences (3 units) • B3 Lab (0 units) • B4 Quantitative Reasoning (3 units) <p>LD Area C – 9 units in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C1 Arts (3 units) • C2 Humanities (3 units) • Amer. Inst. – US History (3 units) <p>LD Area D – 9 units in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two Area D courses not in same discipline (6 units) • Amer. Inst. – Government (3 units) <p>SELF (Area E) – counted as 0 units due to double-counting</p> <p>GWAR – counted as 0 units due to GWAR exam</p> <p>UD General Education – 9 units in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two Areas outside of major School (e.g. NSME majors take UD C and D) • Junior Year Diversity Reflection (3 units) <p>CSUB Specific GE Areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Year Seminar (2 units) • Capstone (1 unit) 	<p>LD Area A – 9 units in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A1 Oral Communication (3 units) • A2 Written Communication (3 units) • A3 Critical Reasoning (3 units) <p>LD Area B – 9 units in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B1 Physical Sciences (3 units) • B2 Life Sciences (3 units) • B3 Lab (0 units) • B4 Quantitative Reasoning (3 units) <p>LD Area C – 9 units in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C1 Arts (3 units) • C2 Humanities (3 units) • Amer. Inst. – US History (3 units) <p>LD Area D – 6 units in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Area D course (3 units) • Amer. Inst. – Government (3 units) <p>SELF (Area E) – counted as 0 units due to double-counting</p> <p>Area F – 3 units in Ethnic Studies</p> <p>GWAR – counted as 0 units due to GWAR exam</p> <p>UD General Education – 9 units in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two Areas outside of major School (e.g. NSME majors take UD C and D) • Junior Year Diversity Reflection (3 units) <p>CSUB Specific GE Areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Year Seminar (2 units) • Capstone (1 unit)