

Admission Guidelines: Bachelor Degree Completion Programs

In order to be considered for admission to a Bachelor Degree Completion Program (e.g., Public Sector Management, Liberal Studies), an applicant must be considered an “upper-division transfer student.”

Applicants who have completed 60 transferable semester (90 quarter) units of college coursework are considered upper-division transfer students. Transferable courses are those designated for baccalaureate credit by the college or university offering the courses and accepted as such by the campus to which the applicant seeks admission. Most commonly, college level credits earned from an institution of higher education accredited by a regional accrediting agency are accepted for transfer to campuses of the CSU.

Generally, applicants will qualify for consideration for upper-division transfer admission if they meet all of the following requirements. Applicants who do not meet these requirements may be denied admission:

1. They have completed at least *60 transferable semester (90 quarter) units of college coursework with a grade point average of 2.0 or higher, and a grade of C or better in each course used to meet the CSU General Education Basic Skills requirement, consisting of 3 units each in the areas of: 1) written communication, 2) oral communication, 3) critical thinking, and 4) mathematics/quantitative reasoning;
2. They have a grade point average of at least 2.0 in all transferable units attempted; and

*The 60 transferable semester (90 quarter) units should include approximately 48 semester (72 quarter) units of courses which meet [CSUN's General Education requirements](#) listed below. Applicants may be permitted to complete some of these General Education units (except the Basic Skills requirements) at another approved regionally accredited institution while also enrolled in a Bachelor Degree Completion Program at CSUN:

[Analytical Reading and Expository Writing \(3 Units\)](#) *Basic Skills Requirement*

[Critical Thinking \(3 Units\)](#) *Basic Skills Requirement*

[Mathematics \(3 Units\)](#) *Basic Skills Requirement*

[Oral Communication \(3 Units\)](#) *Basic Skills Requirement*

[Natural Sciences Lecture \(6 Units – 2 Lectures\)](#)

[Natural Sciences Lab \(2 Units – 2 labs\)](#)

[Arts and Humanities \(6 Units\)](#)

[Social Sciences \(6 Units\)](#)

[Lifelong Learning \(3 Units\)](#)

[Comparative Cultural Studies \(6 Units\)](#)

[TITLE V \(1\) American History \(1 Course\)](#)

[TITLE V \(2\) Constitution of the U.S. \(1 Course\)](#)

[TITLE V \(3\) State and Local Government \(1 Course\)](#)

[Basic Skills Information Competencies \(1 Course\)](#)

[Subject Exploration Information Competencies \(1 Course\)](#)

Students may be permitted to transfer no more than 70 semester (105 quarter) units to a CSU campus from an institution which does not offer bachelor's degrees or their equivalents, for example, community colleges. Given CSUN's 30 semester (45 quarter) unit residency requirement, no more than a total of 90 semester (135 quarter) units may be transferred into the university from all sources.

Applicants who completed coursework at institutions outside of California should consult with their institution's transfer counselor and/or review and compare [CSUN's General Education requirements](#) to their completed coursework to determine if it appears that the requirements have been met for upper-division transfer admission.

Applicants who completed coursework at California community colleges are strongly urged to complete a *GE Certification Plan and/or consult with their college transfer counselor regarding meeting the admission requirements for upper-division transfer admission.

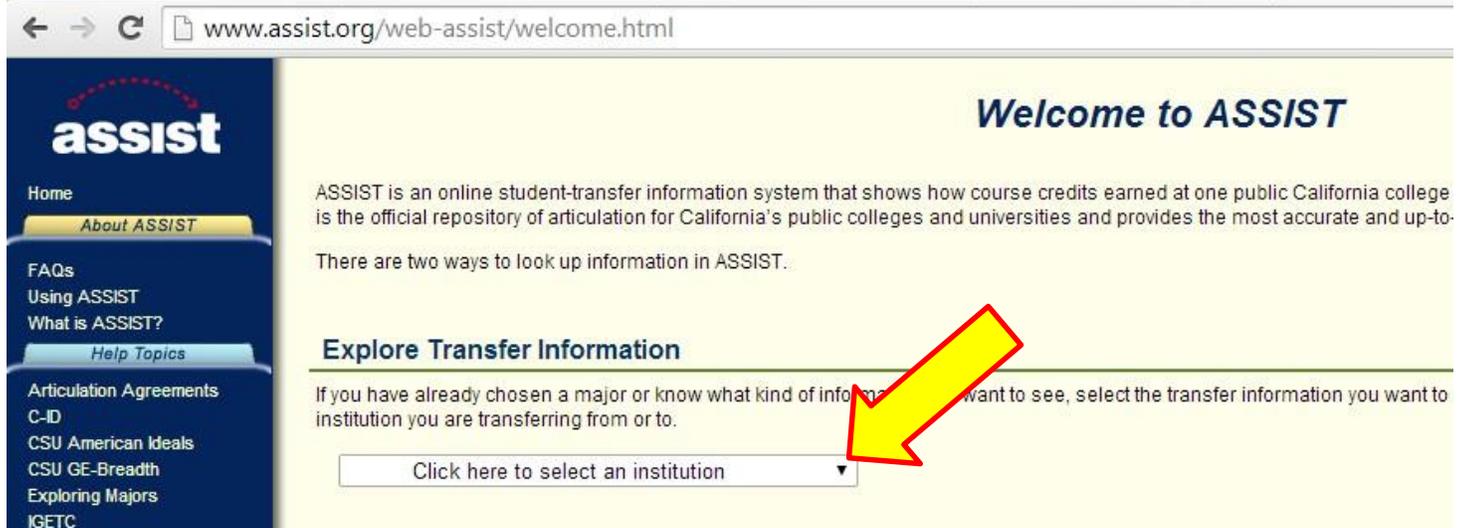
"Certification" is the official notification from a California community college or authorized institution that a transfer student has completed courses fulfilling lower-division General Education requirements. California community colleges and other authorized certifying institutions can certify up to 39 semester (58.5 quarter) units of GE-Breadth for transfer students to fulfill lower-division general education requirements prior to transfer.

The CSU General Education-Breadth (GE-Breadth) certification course lists for California community colleges (or other regionally accredited institutions) can be accessed at www.assist.org.

If you have completed courses, are currently taking courses, or plan to take courses at a California community college, you can verify if your General Education coursework is transferable by using the this website.

GO TO WWW.ASSIST.ORG

Select "California State University, Northridge" from the *Explore Transfer Information* drop-down menu:



The screenshot shows the ASSIST website interface. The browser address bar displays www.assist.org/web-assist/welcome.html. The page features a navigation menu on the left with options like Home, About ASSIST, FAQs, Using ASSIST, What is ASSIST?, Help Topics, Articulation Agreements, C-ID, CSU American Ideals, CSU GE-Breadth, Exploring Majors, and IGETC. The main content area is titled "Welcome to ASSIST" and includes a description of the system and instructions on how to use it. The "Explore Transfer Information" section is highlighted, and a red arrow points to a dropdown menu labeled "Click here to select an institution".

A new page will appear where you can select further options.

Select the institution where you have earned credits from the *Agreements with Other Campuses* drop-down menu:

The screenshot shows the ASSIST website interface. On the left is a navigation menu with the ASSIST logo and various links. The main content area is titled 'Agreements with Other Campuses'. At the top, there are two dropdown menus for 'Selected institution and academic year', with 'California State University, Northridge' and '14-15' selected. Below this is a dropdown menu labeled 'Click here to select a campus', which is highlighted by a yellow arrow. A note below states: 'Note: If a current articulation agreement is not available, additional articulation might exist based on C-ID numbers. Please'. Underneath is a section titled 'Community College Courses Applicable for Transfer' with a list of links, each preceded by a red dot:

- [CSU Transferable Courses](#) (Select a community college)
- [CSU GE-Breadth Certification Courses](#) (Select a community college)
- [CSU US History, Constitution, and American Ideals Courses](#) (Select a community college)
- [IGETC for UC and CSU](#) (Select a community college)
- [UC Transferable Courses](#) (Select a community college)
- [UC Transfer Admissions Eligibility Courses](#) (Select a community college)

Once you select your institution, the links under *Community College Courses Applicable for Transfer* will be activated. In the following example, Antelope Valley College is selected as the community college.

Click on the *CSU GE-Breadth Certification Courses* link:

The screenshot shows the ASSIST website interface after selecting Antelope Valley College. The 'From:' dropdown menu is set to 'Antelope Valley College'. The 'Note' is the same as in the previous screenshot. The 'Community College Courses Applicable for Transfer' section now has several options, each with a red dot:

- [By Major](#)
Select a major
- [By Department at:](#)
California State University, Northridge OR Antelope Valley College
Select a department
- [For General Education/Breadth](#)
Select a GE/Breadth Agreement

Below this is a section titled 'Antelope Valley College Courses Applicable for Transfer' with a list of links, each preceded by a red dot:

- [CSU Transferable Courses](#)
- [CSU GE-Breadth Certification Courses](#)
- [CSU US History, Constitution, and American Ideals Courses](#)

A yellow arrow points to the 'CSU GE-Breadth Certification Courses' link.

Once you click on the *CSU GE-Breadth Certification Courses* link, two drop-down menus will appear.

Use the second drop-down menu; *Select a CSU GE-Breadth Area*.

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Select "All Areas" to view/print the report.

This screenshot is similar to the one above but shows the 'Select a CSU GE-Breadth Area' dropdown menu open. The menu lists various options: 'All Areas', 'A1 - Oral Communication', 'A2 - Written Communication', 'A3 - Critical Thinking', 'B1 - Physical Science', 'B2 - Life Science', 'B3 - Laboratory Activity', 'B4 - Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning', 'C1 - Arts: (Arts, Cinema, Dance, Music, Theater)', 'C2 - Humanities: (Literature, Philosophy, Languages Other than English)', 'D0 - Sociology and Criminology', 'D1 - Anthropology and Archeology', 'D2 - Economics', 'D3 - Ethnic Studies', 'D4 - Gender Studies', 'D5 - Geography', 'D6 - History', 'D7 - Interdisciplinary Social or Behavioral Science', 'D8 - Political Science, Government and Legal Institutions', 'D9 - Psychology', and 'E - Lifelong Learning and Self-Development'. A yellow arrow points to the 'All Areas' option at the top of the list.

The report will show you all GE requirements that must be completed before applying to a Bachelor Completion Program, along with which courses from your transferring institution will satisfy each requirement.