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GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LOCAL AA/AS DEGREES

Merritt College

2020 - 2021

ASSOCIATE DEGREE: Complete a minimum of 60 degree-applicable semester units with an overall grade point average of 2.0 ("C"). At least 12 of the 60 units must be completed at Merritt College.

LOCAL DEGREE GENERAL EDUCATION: Complete a minimum of 19 units from the areas below with an overall grade point average of 2.0 ("C") and a grade of "C" or better in Area 4a (English Composition) and Area 4b (Mathematics). Although a course may be listed in more than one area, it may not be counted in more than one area (except in Area 5, *Ethnic Studies*; see NOTE in Area 5).

NOTE: GE requirements for Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT) may be different. See a counselor for more information.

MAJOR: Students must declare a major for an Associate Degree. Majors require a minimum of 18 units with a grade of "C" or better in each course. Unit requirements for majors vary by program (see the Merritt catalog and/or a counselor for more information).

OUT-OF-DISTRICT OR OUT-OF-STATE COURSES: These courses are evaluated individually to see if they fulfill Merritt College General Education requirements. The Peralta District will accept courses with a minimum of 4 quarter units to satisfy an area that requires a minimum of 3 semester units and courses with a minimum of 1.5 quarter units to satisfy Area 4c (which requires a minimum of 1 semester unit). See a counselor for information about this process.

NOTE: Courses with an (*) are listed in more than one area but may not be counted in more than one area.

Legend: N=Needed IP=In Progress C=Completed		N	IP	C
AREA ONE - NATURAL SCIENCES				
One course, minimum of three semester units, from the following:				
ANTHR: 1	CHEM: 1A, 1B, 12A, 12B, 30A, 30B			
ASTR: 1, 10	GEOG: 1			
BIOL: 1A, 1B, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 13, 15,	GEOL: 1, 12			
20A, 20B, 23, 24, 25, 29, 36, 42	LANHT: 1, 1E			
BIOSC: 50	PHYS: 2A, 2B, 4A, 4B, 4C, 10			
AREA TWO - SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES				
One course, minimum of three semester units, from the following:				
ADJUS: 21, 22, 25, 63	EDUC: 1			
AFRAM: 2*, 3, 4*, 5*, 8*, 10*, 11*, 12*, 13*, 14A*,	ENVMT: 2, 3, 5*, 11, 12 ^{5*} , 55			
14B*, 16*, 18 ^{6*} , 19 ^{1*} , 23*, 25*, 27*, 30*,	ENVST: 76A-E ^{2,3*} , 78A ^{2,3*}			
31*, 32*, 33*, 38 ^{5*} , 45*	GEOG: 2			
ANTHR: 2, 3, 4, 5*, 7*, 13, 16	HLTD: 1			
ASAME: 1*, 19 ^{1*} , 30*, 32*, 45A*, 45B*	HIST: 2A*, 2B*, 7A*, 7B*, 19*			
BUS: 5, 52	M/LAT: 6 ^{1*} , 12*, 17B*, 19 ^{4*} , 23*, 32 ^{6*}			
CHDEV: 50, 51 (formerly FACS 51), 53,	LANHT: 33B, 64*			
56A, 80*	NATAM: 19 ^{1*} , 76A-E ^{2,3*} , 78A ^{2,3*} , 78B ^{3*}			
COMM: 6*, 10*, 13*, 18*, 19*	POSCI: 1, 2, 3, 5*			
COSER: 10, 29*	PSYCH: 1A, 3, 6, 10, 12, 19, 24, 28, 31, 33			
COUN: 30	SOC: 1, 2, 3, 5*, 13, 45, 120			
ECON: 1, 2				
¹ AFRAM 19 same as ASAME 19, M/LAT 6, & NATAM 19; credit: 1 course ² ENVST 76A-E & 78A same as NATAM 76A-E & 78A; credit: 1 course ³ ENVST 76A-E & 78A or NATAM 76A-E & 78A-B must be taken for at least 3 units to satisfy Area 2 ⁴ M/LAT 19 same as HIST 17 @ BCC, COA & Laney ⁵ AFRAM 38 same as ENVMT 12; credit: 1 course ⁶ AFRAM 18 same as M/LAT 32; credit: 1 course				

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AREA THREE - HUMANITIES				
One course, minimum of three semester units, from the following:				
AFRAM: 18*, 25*, 27*, 30*, 31*, 32*, 33*, 39, 41*, 42*, 43*, 45*	HIST: 2A*, 2B*, 7A*, 7B*, 19*			
ANTHR: 7*	HUMAN: 2			
ART: 1, 3, 4, 7*, 9, 12, 15*, 40	M/LAT: 17B*, 28*, 30A*, 30B, 32 ¹ *			
ASAME: 1*, 30*	LANHT: 55, 64*			
ENGL: 1B*, 10A, 10B*	MUSIC: 9, 10, 11*, 15A*, 15B*, 19, 24*, 100			
ENVMT: 5*	PHIL: 1, 2, 10			
	SPAN: 1A, 1B			
¹ AFRAM 18 same as M/LAT 32; credit: 1 course				
AREA FOUR - LANGUAGE AND RATIONALITY				
One course in each sub-area (a, b, c, and d):				
a. English Composition: One course, minimum of three semester units and a grade of "C" or better, from:				
ENGL: 1A*, 1B*, 5*, 100*				
b. Mathematics: May be met by one of two options:				
Option 1: One course, minimum of three semester units and a grade of "C" or better, from:				
MATH: 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3E, 3F, 13, 15, 16A, 16B, 50, 202, 203, 230, 240				
Option 2: Credit by Examination of Math 203. Requires a grade of "C" or better on the exam to earn 4 units of credit. The exam may be taken only once and is offered by the Math Department. The Credit By Exam form (available at Admissions & Records) will be used to record exam grades on the student's transcript. Contact the Math Department Chair and/or a counselor for more information.				
c. Computer Literacy: One course, minimum of one semester unit, from:				
CIS: All courses with a minimum value of one unit and numbered 1 through 249 and 900 through 949	LANHT: 9A, 9B, 9C, 34A, 34B, 34C			
CS: All courses with a minimum value of one unit and numbered 1 through 249	LRNRE: 211			
EDT: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	LIS: 85			
	NUTR: 10			
	RLEST: 20			
NOTE: Computer Literacy requirement may be satisfied with a proficiency exam. See a counselor for information.				
d. Oral or Written Communication, or Literature: One course, minimum of three semester units, from:				
AFRAM: 41*, 42*, 43*	COMM: 3, 4, 6*, 10*, 13*, 18*, 19*, 20, 45			
BIOSC: 34 ¹	ENGL: All courses numbered 1 through 247* (except 48s, 49s, and 208)			
¹ BIOSC 34 must be taken for at least 3 units to satisfy Area 4d				
AREA FIVE - ETHNIC STUDIES				
One course, minimum of three semester units, from the following:				
AFRAM: 2*, 4*, 5*, 8*, 10*, 11*, 12*, 13*, 14A*, 14B*, 16*, 19 ¹ *, 23*, 30*, 31*, 32*, 33*, 38 ⁵ *, 41*, 42*, 43*, 45*	ENVMT: 12 ⁵ * (formerly ENVST 38)			
ANTHR: 5*	ENVST: 76A-E ^{2,3} *, 78A ^{2,3} *			
ART: 7*, 15*	HIST: 19*			
ASAME: 19 ¹ *, 30*, 32*, 45A*, 45B*	M/LAT: 6 ¹ *, 12*, 17B*, 19 ⁴ *, 23*, 28*, 30A*			
CHDEV: 80*	NATAM: 19 ¹ *, 76A-E ^{2,3} *, 78A ^{2,3} *, 78B ³ *			
COMM: 6*, 13*	MUSIC: 11*, 15A*, 15B*, 24*			
COSER: 29*	POSCI: 5*			
	SOC: 5*			
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² ENVST 76A-E & 78A same as NATAM 76A-E & 78A; credit: 1 course	⁴ M/LAT 19 same as HIST 17 @ BCC, COA, & Laney			
	⁵ AFRAM 38 same as ENVMT 12; credit: 1 course			
NOTE: Any course in Area 5 also listed in another area may satisfy both areas but the units are counted only once.				