



Merritt College Counseling Department

Articulation Notes
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UC

Berkeley admissions personnel recently told us that a student can clear their IGETC Foreign Language requirement by taking a first-semester foreign language course at UCB through our concurrent enrollment program. They said they've been told by their foreign language departments that their first semester courses are equivalent to 2 years of high school foreign language, thus meeting the IGETC requirement. Suggest documenting this for submission along w/ IGETC petition to PCCD evaluators to avoid mix-ups and complications for students.

Riverside has approved new artic: MC PSYCH 12 = UCR BIOL 30; MC MUSIC 11 = UCR MUS 8.

Davis has published the current Engineering major articulation on ASSIST as of 1/12/06.

Systemwide has informed us that military courses or credit should not be used for IGETC certification (or for elective credit, for that matter). The best way to advise students who have military credits is similar to what we advise for Selected Topics or Independent Study courses: don't use them for GE, major prep, or the needed 60 units for transfer. Once accepted, petition the major or the college to have them used and they may take them on a case-by-case basis.

CSU

East Bay has developed an MOU for a Blended Liberal Studies/Multiple Subjects Credential program with the Contra Costa Community College District. The purpose is to provide an accelerated pathway to a B.A. in Liberal Studies plus a Multiple Subjects Teaching Credential. In their MOU, all of the upper division coursework will be at the Contra Costa Campus of CSUH and the CCCC colleges (Contra Cost, DVC, and Los Medanos) will offer the lower division coursework. Peralta is currently in discussion w/ CSUEB to develop a similar agreement, soliciting feedback from counselors and other student service personnel.

San Francisco has published on ASSIST several changes to the agreements in Geology (B.A.) and Biology/Microbiology (B.S.). In Geology, either PHYS 121 OR PHYS 230 is required and in Microbiology, both PHYS 111+112 AND PHYS 121+122 are required.

San Francisco has clarified procedures by which their native students can be readmitted (after a break in academic progress which is defined as missing two consecutive semesters [excluding summer]). To be readmitted, must have: 1) 60 units (which can include SFSU units taken before break); 2) overall 2.0 GPA (all college units, SFSU and elsewhere), and; 3) left SFSU in "good standing" (defined as having 2.0 overall GPA in SFSU work and not having been disqualified or dismissed). Catch-22 though, because in order to make up <2.0 SFSU GPA, must take SFSU courses and can't be re-admitted because didn't leave in good standing. For those cases, contact Student Outreach Services (415) 338-2355 and request case-by-case review. May be able to retroactively withdraw from courses if have documentable reason or other compelling reasons.

San Francisco has a Basic Information Competency Requirement for *graduation* (not admission). Can be satisfied by our LIS 85. Not clearly posted on ASSIST. To find it, go to SFSU/Merritt agreement and, under "By Department" agreements, select Merritt' LIS Department. For other colleges, be sure to select the Community College department since the BICR notation isn't posted on the SFSU Department side.

Independents

None

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- LVN Program will drop BIOL 24 as prereq for class beginning S08; only acceptable prereq will be BIOL 20A-B (or, of course, BIOL 2 & 4). For the S08 class, students must complete BIOL 20A-B by the end of SU07; applications for the S08 class will close October, 2007 and students cannot have the BIOL 20A-B in progress at the time of application.
- Note creation of new discipline at Merritt only: INSUR (for Insurance) Certificate program currently under discussion w/ anticipated start date of F06. In the meantime, several 48s have been approved under the INSUR discipline. More later as program is finalized and approved.
- Recent confirmation that our ASTR II may be used as a lab to clear IGETC 5A Physical Science (plus lab) requirement with ASTR I. Must get Department Chair's written approval and attach to IGETC petition for PCCD A&R.

Counselor Web Site

- Laney and COA 05-06 CSU GE advising sheets revised and posted. Note reinstatement of AFRAM 30 & 31 for American Institutions. COA effective F05; Laney effective S06--*let's discuss*.
- 05-06 NCAA Transfer Guide posted on *Advising Information and Resources* page.
- Links to COA, Laney, and Vista catalogs added to their sections on the CCC page.
- Link to EdRef on *Advising Information and Resources* page, where you can search 2-year, 4-year, and vocational schools by category or search by variables (size, location, major, financial aid, etc.).
- Link to "What Can I Do With a Major In . . ."? on *Advising Information and Resources* page. Information about many majors plus links to additional career information about each field.