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Transferable Courses

MSJC offers courses that are transferable to the California State Universities (CSU), University of California (UC), Out-of-State, and Private schools. MSJC has many transfer agreements with both CSU and UC systems which make it easier for students to transfer, however individual campuses determine transfer status of courses. Students considering transferring are encouraged to meet with a Counselor to determine which transfer courses are required for major and educational goal. Student's may transfer up to 70 transferable units from a community college to CSUs and UCs. It is advised that students transfer with at least 60 transferable units to ensure that they are admitted to the four-year institution with junior or upper division status. Most CSU's and all UC's require junior standing at time of transfer.

To verify transfer requirements: look into the college catalog of the transfer institution, contact college admissions representatives, and use the ASSIST (http://www.assist.org/) website as a tool to verify transfer major preparation for CSUs and UCs.

Transfer General Education

Option B: Also referred to as CSUGE is required for students interested in transferring to CSU's. Students following this pattern must satisfy all General Education, AREAS A-F by successfully completing a course in that AREA or meeting the general education competency through external exams. A minimum of 2.0 ("C" average) or higher-Grade Point Average (GPA) is required, please check university catalogs for GPA requirements. AREAS "A1, A2, A3" and "B4" (CSU Golden Four) require a minimum of "C" grade and must be completed prior to applying to the CSU. If a student completed a Golden Four course at a CSU where a C- grade is acceptable to certify a Golden Four area, MSJC will honor the C- grade if taken at a CSU, per CSU EO 1100 (https://calstate.policystat.com/policy/8919100/ latest/). Title 5 stipulates that California Community Colleges (CCC) can use plus and minus grading, except that the C- may not be awarded by a CCC but will be accepted if taken at a CSU. In addition to completing Option B, students are also required to complete major requirements for their program of student to work towards an Associates Degree. In order to successfully meet the requirements for an Associates Degree for transfer, students must complete at least 60 transferable semester units with a minimum overall GPA of 2.0. Some private schools accept MSJC's Option B as meeting their admission and general education requirements, please meet with a Counselor to verify. Total units of CSUGE is 39 units.

Option C: Also referred to as IGETC (Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum) is required for students interested in transferring to CSU's, UC's, Out-of-State, and Private schools. Students following this pattern must satisfy all General Education, AREAS 1-7 by successfully completing a course in that AREA or meeting the general education competency through external exams. Students must complete ALL AREAS of IGETC with a grade 'C' or better in order to meet admission requirements for UC. In addition to completing Option C, students are also required to complete major requirements for their program of student to work towards an Associates Degree. In order to successfully meet the requirements for an Associates Degree for transfer, students must complete at least 60 transferable semester units with a minimum overall GPA of 2.4. Total units of IGETC is 37 units.

CSU and IGETC Certification of Achievement

CSU (California State University) General Education certification and IGETC (Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum) certification verifies that a student has completed all lower division general education requirements for the CSU or UC. CSU Certification is for CSU only while IGETC can be used for both CSU and UC transfer. Students will receive a certificate of achievement from MSJC, and certification is reported on official transcripts.

Do I need Certification?

Only a few out of state and private schools require general education certification. Check with the institution to see if CSU or IGETC certification is required. A certified CSU or IGETC transcript is the last transcript you will request from MSJC prior to transfer. Before submitting a request for general education certification, you should consult with a Counselor to verify that you have completed all the requirements. Visit enrollment services for information on how to request certification.

Transfer Center Services

Articulation Agreements

Transfer Center Counselor and Navigators are available to help students with articulation agreements. CSU and UC agreements can be found on ASSIST (http://www.assist.org/) . In addition, MSJC has articulation agreements with many private universities within California and selected private and public colleges and universities nationwide. These agreements can be found on the MSJC Transfer Center Website. (https://www.msjc.edu/transfercenter/)

Outreach and Advising Services with Transfer Institutions

Representatives from a variety of CSU's, UC's and private universities visit the Transfer Center on a regular basis each semester. On occasion out-of-state universities also arrange for visits. Students have the opportunity to meet with these representatives and are encouraged to stop by the Transfer Center to schedule an appointment.

Transfer Admissions Guarantee (TAG) Programs

MSJC has Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) agreements with UC Davis, UC Irvine, UC Merced, UC Riverside, UC Santa Barbara, and UC Santa Cruz. While criteria vary for each campus, this is a great opportunity for MSJC students to ensure transfer to the one of these universities.

UCLA TAP Program

The UCLA Transfer Alliance Program (TAP) gives Honors students the opportunity to enhance their ability to transfer to UCLA at the junior level form MSJC. Students are certified after completing the honors enrichment program at MSJC and given Priority consideration for admission to UCLA. This program is administered collaboratively by the Honors Program and Honors Counselors.

Annual College Fair

The Transfer Center hosts annual College Fairs, where representatives from various CSU campuses, UC campuses, and private universities, both in-state and out-of-state, will be available to answer questions about admissions requirements, majors, housing, financial aid, etc.

Transfer Workshops

The Transfer Center sponsors a variety of workshops to assist students with useful transfer information. Common topics include: learning transfer basics, exploring TAG agreements, attending a private university, writing a personal statement, and applying online to CSU/UC campuses.

Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE): California students have enrolled in undergraduate programs beyond California's borders through

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the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) since 1997. Please visit the website for more information regarding programs. Western Undergraduate Exchange

CAUTION: The final responsibility for a successful transfer program rests with the student. This information changes frequently and can impact student's admission to the university. It is highly advised that students meet every semester with a Counselor to confirm student's choice of classes and educational planning.