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## GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LOCAL AA/AS DEGREES

### Merritt College 2023 - 2024

**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 18 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. *See a counselor for more information.*

**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
<b>AREA ONE - NATURAL SCIENCES</b>				
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, 5, 9, 10, 15, 20A, 20B, 23, 24, 25, 29, 36, 42	GEOL: 1, 12			
BIOSC: 50, 53	LANHT: 1, 1E			
	PHYS: 2A, 2B, 4A, 4B, 4C, 10			
<b>AREA TWO - SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES</b>				
One course, minimum of three semester units, from the following:				
ADJUS: 21, 22, 25, 63	ECON: 1, 2			
AFRAM: 2*, 3, 4*, 5*, 8*, 10*, 11*, 12*, 13*, 14A*, 14B*, 16*, 18 <sup>5*</sup> , 19 <sup>1*</sup> , 23*, 25*, 27*, 30*, 31*, 32*, 33*, 35*, 38 <sup>4*</sup> , 45*, 52*	ENVMT: 2, 3, 5*, 11, 12 <sup>+</sup> , 55			
ANTHR: 2, 3, 5*, 7*, 8, 13, 16	GEOG: 2			
ASAME: 1*, 19 <sup>1*</sup> , 30*, 32*, 45A*, 45B*	HLTED: 1			
BUS: 5, 52	HIST: 2A*, 2B*, 7A*, 7B*			
CHDEV: 50, 51 (formerly FACS 51), 53, 56A, 80*	M/LAT: 6 <sup>1*</sup> , 12*, 17B*, 19 <sup>3*</sup> , 23*, 32 <sup>5*</sup>			
COMM: 6*, 10*, 13*, 19*	LANHT: 33B, 64*			
COSER: 10, 22, 29*	NATAM: 19 <sup>1*</sup> , 76E <sup>2</sup>			
COUN: 30	POSCI: 1, 2, 3, 5*			
	PSYCH: 1A, 3, 6, 10, 12, 19, 21, 24, 28, 31, 33			
	SOC: 1, 2, 3, 5*, 13, 45, 120			
<sup>1</sup> AFRAM 19 same as ASAME 19, M/LAT 6, & NATAM 19; credit: 1 course <sup>2</sup> NATAM 76E 1.5 units; need 3 units to clear this area <sup>3</sup> M/LAT 19 same as HIST 17 @ BCC, COA & Laney <sup>4</sup> AFRAM 38 same as ENVMT 12; credit: 1 course <sup>5</sup> AFRAM 18 same as M/LAT 32; credit: 1 course				

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<b>AREA THREE - HUMANITIES</b>				
One course, minimum of three semester units, from the following:				
AFRAM: 18 <sup>1*</sup> , 25*, 27*, 30*, 31*, 32*, 33*, 39, 41*, 42*, 43*, 45*, 52*	HIST: 2A*, 2B*, 7A*, 7B*			
ANTHR: 7*	HUMAN: 2			
ART: 1, 3, 4, 7*, 9, 40	M/LAT: 17B*, 28*, 30A*, 30B, 32 <sup>1*</sup>			
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, 30A	3		
<sup>1</sup> AFRAM 18 same as M/LAT 32; credit: 1 course				
<b>AREA FOUR - LANGUAGE AND RATIONALITY</b>				
One course in each sub-area (a, b, and c):				
a. English Composition: One course, minimum of three semester units and a grade of "C" or better, from:				
ENGL: 1A*, 1AS*, 1B*, 5*		4a		
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				
BIOSC: 105				
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.				
		4b		
c. Oral or Written Communication, or Literature: One course, minimum of three semester units, from:				
AFRAM: 41*, 42*, 43*	ENGL: All courses numbered 1 through 247* (except 48s, 49s, and 208)			
COMM: 3, 4, 6*, 10*, 13*, 19*, 20, 45		4c		
<b>AREA FIVE - ETHNIC STUDIES</b>				
One course, minimum of three semester units, from the following:				
AFRAM: 2*, 4*, 5*, 8*, 10*, 11*, 12*, 13*, 14A*, 14B*, 16*, 19 <sup>1,2*</sup> , 23*, 30 <sup>2*</sup> , 31 <sup>2*</sup> , 32*, 33*, 35*, 38 <sup>5*</sup> , 39, 41*, 42*, 43*, 45*, 52*	COSER: 29*			
ANTHR: 5*	ENVMT: 12 <sup>5*</sup> (formerly ENVST 38)			
ART: 7*	M/LAT: 6 <sup>1,2*</sup> , 12*, 17B*, 19 <sup>4*</sup> , 23*, 28*, 30A*			
ASAME: 19 <sup>1,2*</sup> , 30*, 32*, 45A*, 45B*	MUSIC: 11*, 15A*, 15B*, 24*			
CHDEV: 80*	NATAM: 19 <sup>1,2*</sup> , 76E <sup>3</sup>			
COMM: 6*, 13*	POSCI: 5*			
	SOC: 5*			
<sup>1</sup> AFRAM 19 same as ASAME 19, M/LAT 6, & NATAM 19; credit: 1 course	<sup>3</sup> NATAM 76E 1.5 units; need 3 units to clear this area			
<sup>2</sup> Course also approved for Merritt's CSU GE Area F and IGETC Area 7	<sup>4</sup> M/LAT 19 same as HIST 17 @ BCC, COA, & Laney			
	<sup>5</sup> AFRAM 38 same as ENVMT 12; credit: 1 course	5		
NOTE: Any course in Area 5 also listed in another area may satisfy both areas though the units are counted only once. However, a minimum of 18 GE units are required for an Associate's degree.				

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