GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR AA/AS DEGREES
Merritt College
2008 – 2009

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.

GENERAL EDUCATION: Complete a minimum of 19 units, distributed in 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).

MAJOR: Students must declare a major to earn 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 within programs and instructional departments of the College *(consult the Merritt College catalog and/or see a counselor for more information)*.

OUT-OF-DISTRICT OR OUT-OF-STATE COURSES: Will be evaluated individually to see if they fulfill Merritt College General Education requirements. For information about this process, students should contact the Counseling Department.

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	GEOG: 1, 10*
ASTR: 1, 10	GEOL: 1, 5, 6, 10, 12
BIOL: 1A, 1B, 2, 3, 4, 5^1, 9, 10, 13, 15, 20A, 20B, 23, 24, 25, 29, 36	LANHT: 1, 1E, 15^1
	PHYS: 2A, 2B, 4A, 4B, 4C, 10
CHEM: 1A, 1B, 12A, 12B, 30A, 30B	

[1] BIOL 5 same as LANHT 15; credit: 1 course

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*, 5*, 8*, 10*, 12*, 13^7, 14A*, 14B*, 16*, 19^1*, 25*, 27*, 30*, 31*, 32*, 33*, 34, 38^6*, 45*	ENGL: 38*
	ENVMT: 2, 12^6*, 13, 15, 19^2
ANTHR: 2, 3, 4, 5*, 7*, 8*, 13, 16, 18, 30^4	ENVST: 76A-D^{3,4}*, 78A^{3,4}*, 78B^{3,4}*
ASAME: 19^1*, 30*, 32*, 45A*, 45B*	GEOG: 2, 10*
BUS: 5, 52	HLTED: 1
CHDEV: 50, 51 (formerly FACS 51), 53, 56A, 57A	HIST: 2A, 2B, 7A, 7B, 15, 19*
COMM: 6*, 10*, 13^7*, 18, 22 (formerly SPCH)	HUSV: 53 (formerly COSER 45)
COSER: 10, 24, 29*	M/LAT: 6^1*, 12*, 19^5*, 23*, 30A*, 30B*
COUN: 30, 230	NATAM: 19^1*, 76A-D^{3,4}*, 78A^{3,4}*, 78B^{3,4}*
ECON: 1, 2	POSCI: 1, 2, 3, 4, 16
	PSYCH: 1A, 1B, 3, 6, 10, 12, 19^2, 24, 33
	SOC: 1, 2, 3, 5*

[1] AFRAM 19 same as ASAME 19, M/LAT 6, & NATAM 19; credit: 1 course
[2] ENVMT 19 same as PSYCH 19; credit: 1 course
[3] ENVST 76A-D, 78A, & 78B same as NATAM 76A-D, 78A, & 78B; credit: 1 course
[4] ANTHR 30, ENVST/NATAM 76A-D, or ENVST/NATAM 78A-B must be taken for at least 3 units to satisfy Area 2
[5] M/LAT 19 same as HIST 17 @ BCC, COA & Laney
[6] AFRAM 38 same as ENVMT 12; credit: 1 course
[7] AFRAM 13 same as COMM 13; credit: 1 course

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AREA THREE - HUMANITIES

One course, minimum of three semester units, from the following:

AFRAM: 25*, 27*, 28[1]*, 41*, 42*, 43*, 45*	FREN: 1A
ANTHR: 7*, 8*	HUMAN: 2
ART: 1, 2, 3, 4 , 9, 10*, 11, 12, 15*	M/LAT: 28[1]*, 30A*, 30B*
ASAME: 1, 30*	MUSIC: 9, 10, 11, 13A, 13B
CHIN: 1, 2	PHIL: 1, 2, 10
ENGL: 1B*, 10A*, 10B*, 17A*, 17B*, 26*, 30A*, 30B*, 32A*, 32B*, 38*, 43*, 44A*, 44B*, 210A*, 210B*, 217A*, 217B*, 230A*, 230B*, 232A*, 232B*, 243*, 244A*, 244B*	SPAN: 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B, 22A, 22B, 31A, 31B, 38, 40

[1]AFRAM 28 same as M/LAT 28; 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*, 201A*, 201B*	ESL: 21A*, 21B*

b. Mathematics: May be met by one of two options listed below:

Option 1: One course, minimum of three semester units and a grade of "C" or better, from:

MATH: 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D (equivalent to 3E-F at BCC, COA, & Laney), 13, 15, 16A, 16B, 50, 201, 202, 203

Option 2: Credit by Examination of Math 201. Students must earn a grade of "C" or better on the exam to earn 4 units of credit toward the degree requirement. The exam can be taken only once and is offered by the Math Department each semester during finals week. The Credit By Exam form (available at Admissions & Records) will be used to record exam grades on the student's transcript.

c. Computer Literacy: One course, minimum of one semester unit, from the following:

BUS 244A, 244B	LRNRE: 211
CIS: All courses with a minimum value of one unit and numbered 1 through 248, except 211 (Laney)	RLEST: 20

NOTE: Students may be able to satisfy the Computer Literacy requirement by passing a proficiency exam. See a counselor for more information.

d. Oral or Written Communication, or Literature: One course, minimum of three semester units, from:

AFRAM: 41*, 42*, 43*	ESL: 21A*, 21B*
COMM: 4, 6*, 10*, 20, 45 (formerly SPCH)	ENGL: 1 through 247* (except 48s, 49s, 202, 205, 206A, 206B, and 208)
COSER: 16A[1]	

[1]COSER 16A 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*, 5*, 8*, 10*, 12*, 13[7]*, 14A*, 14B*, 16*, 19[1]*, 28[2]*, 30*, 31*, 32*, 33*, 38[6]*, 41*, 42*, 43*, 45*	ENGL: 38*
	ENVMT: 12[6]* (formerly ENVST 38)
	ENVST: 76A-D[3,4]*, 78A[3,4]*, 78B[3,4]*
ANTHR: 5*	HIST: 19*
ART: 10*, 15*	M/LAT: 6[1]*, 12*, 19[5]*, 23*, 28[2]*, 30A*
ASAME: 19[1]*, 30*, 32*, 45A*, 45B*	NATAM 19[1]*, 76A-D[3,4]*, 78A[3,4]*, 78B[3,4]*
COMM: 13[7]*	SOC: 5*
COSER: 29*	

[1]AFRAM 19 same as ASAME 19, M/LAT 6, & NATAM 19; credit: 1 course	[4]ENVST/NATAM 76A-D or ENVST/NATAM 78A & 78B must be taken for at least 3 units to satisfy Area 5
[2]AFRAM 28 same as M/LAT 28; credit: 1 course	[5]M/LAT 19 same as HIST 17 @ BCC, COA, & Laney
[3]ENVST 76A-D, 78A & 78B same as NATAM 76A-D, 78A & 78B; credit: 1 course	[6]AFRAM 38 same as ENVMT 12; credit: 1 course
	[7]AFRAM 13 same as COMM 13; credit: 1 course

NOTE: Any course listed in Area 5 that is also listed in another area may be used to satisfy both areas. However, the units may be counted only once.

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