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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			
<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	1					
ASTR: 1, 10	GEOG: 1						
BIOL: 1A, 1B, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 13, 15, 20A, 20B, 23, 24, 25, 29, 36, 42	GEOL: 1, 12						
BIOSC: 50	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	EDUC: 1	2					
AFRAM: 2*, 3, 4*, 5*, 8*, 10*, 11*, 12*, 13*, 14A*, 14B*, 16*, 18 <sup>6*</sup> , 19 <sup>1*</sup> , 23*, 25*, 27*, 30*, 31*, 32*, 33*, 38 <sup>5*</sup> , 45*	ENVMT: 2, 3, 5*, 11, 12 <sup>5*</sup> , 55						
ANTHR: 2, 3, 4, 5*, 7*, 13, 16	ENVST: 76A-E <sup>2,3*</sup> , 78A <sup>2,3*</sup>						
ASAME: 1*, 19 <sup>1*</sup> , 30*, 32*, 45A*, 45B*	GEOG: 2						
BUS: 5, 52	HLTED: 1						
CHDEV: 50, 51 (formerly FACS 51), 53, 56A, 80*	HIST: 2A*, 2B*, 7A*, 7B*, 19*						
COMM: 6*, 10*, 13*, 18*, 19*	M/LAT: 6 <sup>1*</sup> , 12*, 17B*, 19 <sup>4*</sup> , 23*, 32 <sup>6*</sup>						
COSER: 10, 29*	LANHT: 33B, 64*						
COUN: 30	NATAM: 19 <sup>1*</sup> , 76A-E <sup>2,3*</sup> , 78A <sup>2,3*</sup> , 78B <sup>3*</sup>						
ECON: 1, 2	POSCI: 1, 2, 3, 5*						
	PSYCH: 1A, 3, 6, 10, 12, 19, 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> ENVST 76A-E & 78A same as NATAM 76A-E & 78A; credit: 1 course <sup>3</sup> ENVST 76A-E & 78A or NATAM 76A-E & 78A-B must be taken for at least 3 units to satisfy Area 2 <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 <sup>6</sup> 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\*

ANTHR: 7\*

ART: 1, 3, 4, 7\*, 9, 40

ASAME: 1\*, 30\*

ENGL: 1B\*, 10A, 10B\*

ENVMT: 5\*

HIST: 2A\*, 2B\*, 7A\*, 7B\*, 19\*

HUMAN: 2

M/LAT: 17B\*, 28\*, 30A\*, 30B, 32<sup>1</sup>\*

LANHT: 55, 64\*

MUSIC: 9, 10, 11\*, 15A\*, 15B\*, 19, 24\*, 100

PHIL: 1, 2, 10

SPAN: 1A, 1B

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<sup>1</sup>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\*

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

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 &amp; 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. 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  
LRNRE: 211

CS: All courses with a minimum value of one unit and numbered 1 through 249

LIS: 85

EDT: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

NUTR: 10

RLEST: 20

NOTE: Computer Literacy requirement may be satisfied with a proficiency exam. See a counselor for information.

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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<sup>1</sup>

ENGL: All courses numbered 1 through 247\* (except 48s, 49s, and 208)

4d

<sup>1</sup>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<sup>1</sup>\*, 23\*, 30\*, 31\*, 32\*, 33\*,  
38<sup>5</sup>\*, 41\*, 42\*, 43\*, 45\*

ANTHR: 5\*

ART: 7\*

ASAME: 19<sup>1</sup>\*, 30\*, 32\*, 45A\*, 45B\*

CHDEV: 80\*

COMM: 6\*, 13\*

COSER: 29\*

ENVMT: 12<sup>5</sup>\* (formerly ENVST 38)ENVST: 76A-E<sup>2,3</sup>\*, 78A<sup>2,3</sup>\*

HIST: 19\*

M/LAT: 6<sup>1</sup>\*, 12\*, 17B\*, 19<sup>4</sup>\*, 23\*, 28\*, 30A\*NATAM: 19<sup>1</sup>\*, 76A-E<sup>2,3</sup>\*, 78A<sup>2,3</sup>\*, 78B<sup>3</sup>\*

MUSIC: 11\*, 15A\*, 15B\*, 24\*

POSCI: 5\*

SOC: 5\*

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& NATAM 19; credit: 1 course<sup>3</sup>ENVST 76A-E & 78A or NATAM 76A-E & 78A-B must  
be taken for at least 3 units to satisfy Area 5<sup>2</sup>ENVST 76A-E & 78A same as NATAM 76A-E & 78A;  
credit: 1 course<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

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**NOTE: Any course in Area 5 also listed in another area may satisfy both areas but the units are counted only once.**