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GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR AA/AS DEGREES

Merritt College

2007 – 2008

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			
CHEM: 1A, 1B, 12A, 12B, 30A, 30B	PHYS: 2A, 2B, 4A, 4B, 4C, 10			
¹ BIOL 5 same as LANHT 15; maximum credit: 1 course				
AREA TWO - SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES				
One course, minimum of three semester units, from the following:				
ADJUS: 21, 22, 25, 63	ENGL: 38*			
AFRAM: 2*, 5*, 8*, 10*, 12*, 13 ⁸ *, 14A*, 14B*, 16*, 19 ¹ *, 25*, 27*, 28 ² *, 30*, 31*, 32*, 33*, 34, 38 ⁷ *, 45*	ENVMT: 2, 12 ⁷ *, 15, 19 ³			
ANTHR: 2, 3, 4, 5*, 7*, 8*, 13, 16, 18, 30A-D ⁵	ENVST: 76A-D ^{(4)(5)*} , 78A ^{(4)(5)*} , 78B ^{(4)(5)*}			
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 ⁸ *, 18, 22 (formerly SPCH)	HUSV: 53 (formerly COSER 45)			
COSER: 10, 24	M/LAT: 6 ¹ *, 12*, 19 ⁶ *, 23*, 28 ² *, 30A*, 30B*			
ECON: 1, 2	NATAM: 19 ¹ *, 76A-D ^{(4)(5)*} , 78A ^{(4)(5)*} , 78B ^{(4)(5)*}			
EDUC: 1	POSCI: 1, 2, 3, 4, 16			
	PSYCH: 1A, 1B, 3, 6, 10, 12, 19 ³ , 24, 33			
	SOC: 1, 2, 3, 5*			
¹ AFRAM 19 same as ASAME 19, M/LAT 6, & NATAM 19; maximum credit: one course				
² AFRAM 28 same as M/LAT 28; maximum credit: one course				
³ ENVMT 19 same as PSYCH 19; maximum credit: one course				
⁴ ENVST 76A-D, 78A, & 78B same as NATAM 76A-D, 78A, & 78B; maximum credit: one course				
⁵ ANTHR 30A-D, ENVST/NATAM 76A-D, or ENVST/NATAM 78A-B must be taken for at least 3 units to satisfy Area 2				
⁶ Same as HIST 17 @ COA, BCC & Laney				
⁷ AFRAM 38 same as ENVMT 12; maximum credit: one course				
⁸ AFRAM 13 same as COMM 13; maximum credit: one 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: 1A, 1B, 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

¹AFRAM 28 same as M/LAT 28; maximum credit: one 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*, 201A*, 201B*	ESL: 21A*, 21B*
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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:

CIS: All courses with a minimum value of one unit and numbered 1 through 248, except 211 (Laney)

LRNRE: 211

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	

¹COSER 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*
ANTHR: 5*	ENVMT: 12 ^{6*} (formerly ENVST 38)
ART: 10*, 15*	ENVST: 76A-D ^{(3)(4)*} , 78A ^{(3)(4)*} , 78B ^{(3)(4)*}
ASAME: 19 ^{1*} , 30*, 32*, 45A*, 45B*	HIST: 19*
COMM: 13 ^{7*}	M/LAT: 6 ^{1*} , 12*, 19 ^{5*} , 23*, 28 ^{2*} , 30A*
	NATAM: 19 ^{1*} , 76A-D ^{(3)(4)*} , 78A ^{(3)(4)*} , 78B ^{(3)(4)*}
	SOC: 5*

¹AFRAM 19 same as ASAME 19, M/LAT 6, & NATAM 19; maximum credit: one course

²AFRAM 28 same as M/LAT 28; maximum credit: one course

³ENVST 76A-D, 78A, & 78B same as NATAM 76A-D, 78A, & 78B; maximum credit: one course

⁴ENVST/NATAM 76A-D or ENVST/NATAM 78A-B must be taken for at least 3 units to satisfy Area 5

⁵Same as HIST 17 @ COA, BCC & Laney

⁶AFRAM 38 same as ENVMT 12; maximum credit: one course

⁷AFRAM 13 same as COMM 13; maximum credit: one 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.