



**University of Southern California
Core Requirements
January 1, 2003 – December 31, 2003**

GENERAL EDUCATION: ONE (1) COURSE EACH FROM CATEGORIES I, II, III AND V.

I. CULTURES AND CIVILIZATIONS I

Art 1; 1H; 2; 2H
English 44; 44H; 45; 45H
History 1A; 1B; 1AH; 1BH

II. CULTURES AND CIVILIZATIONS II

Anthropology 2; 2H
Art 4; 4H; 5; 5H; 11; 11H
English 32
History 9A; 9B; 9C
Philosophy 8

III. SCIENTIFIC PRINCIPLES

Astronomy 1 with 1L
Biology 1A; 5; 20; 20H; 41 with 41L; 41H with 41L
Chemistry 1A
Geology 1; 1H; 2 with 2L; 3H
Physics 2A; 3A; 10

IV. INVESTIGATIONS IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Must be completed at USC only.

V. ARTS AND LETTERS

Art 3; 3H
English 36; 38; 39; 41; 42; 43A; 43B; 46; 47; 48; 48H
Film 1; 10A; 10B; 10C; 10D; 11A; 11B; 11C; 11D
Music 30A; 30B; 40; 40H
Theatre Arts 30

VI. SOCIAL ISSUES

Must be completed at USC only.

RESTRICTIONS ON GE COURSES:

- No more than four (4) semester units of pass/no pass credit may be applied to GE requirement.
- A single course may be used to fulfill both a GE requirement and the diversity requirement.
- Once a student following the new GE plan enrolls at USC, he or she may no longer take courses elsewhere to fulfill GE or writing requirements.

LIST OF TRANSFERABLE OR ARTICULATED COURSES : A list of transferable and/or articulated courses may be viewed at <http://www.usc.edu/dept/ARR/articulation/> OR in the Office of School/College Relations.

LOWER DIVISION WRITING REQUIREMENT:

One semester of college composition (an additional upper division writing course will need to be completed at USC):

English 2; 3; 3H

FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT: Certain USC majors have a language requirement for graduation, which require completing the third semester (or fifth quarter) of a college-level foreign language with a passing grade (C- or higher), or passing USC’s placement examination at a level equivalent to third semester competency. Students who do not finish their third semester (or fifth quarter) before transferring to USC must take USC’s placement examination to determine their level of competency. If the test score indicates placement into a level which the student has already completed, the student will be advised (but not required) to repeat the course at USC for no additional credit. Therefore, if your major requires the foreign language skill level and if you have started taking a foreign language, you are advised to complete the requirement before transferring to USC.

Departments or Degrees with a Third-Semester Foreign Language Requirement:

All Majors in College of Letters, Arts and Sciences (LAS)

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B.A.

- Cinema-Television
- Communication
- Fine Arts
- Journalism
- Music
- Theatre

B.S.

- Computer Science
- Education (General Studies)
- Health Promotion and Disease Prevention
- Music Recording
- Occupational Therapy

Departments or Degrees with a different or special language requirement:

B.S.

- Gerontology (Please refer to USC Catalog for details)
- Nursing (1 semester required)

B.M., Music

- Voice (French 1, German 1, Italian 1A & 1B; and French 2 or German 2 or Italian 2A & 2B)
- Strings (2 semesters required)

Note: The foreign language requirement cannot be satisfied through placement exams at other colleges or universities. International students whose native language is not English are exempt from the foreign language requirement. If a student has had at least two years of full-time secondary schooling beyond age 14 taught in a foreign language, the student may request exemption from the language requirement.

DIVERSITY REQUIREMENT: Complete one course from the following:

- History 25; Humanities 7; Social Science 7; Sociology 1; 11

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OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

USC’s POLICY ON DISTANCE EDUCATION: “USC will determine on a case-by-case basis whether to grant credit for distance education/television courses.” Students are advised to complete courses in the traditional classroom modality to assure that they will get full credit.

PROGRAMS THAT REQUIRE THE SAT/ACT: Architecture (international students).

MATH REQUIREMENT FOR ADMISSIONS: Transfer students are expected to have achieved a grade of “C-” or better in intermediate algebra at the college level or to have completed a minimum of three years of math in high school, including advanced algebra. Some majors require specific math courses. Students should consult an LBCC counselor or with the department to which they intend to apply.