### California State University General Education Worksheet 2019-2020 Edition (8/14/19)

**Name:**

**Last name**  
**First name**

**CSM ID#: G**

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- This worksheet lists course options for meeting General Education requirements. For successful transfer, use www.ASSIST.org and/or the College Catalog to view courses required for your major. Also review Associate Degrees for Transfer in the College Catalog.
- If you have completed coursework outside of the San Mateo County Community College District, submit a Transcript Evaluation Request (available in WebSMART) to determine if any of the coursework can be applied to CSU GE certification.
- **IMPORTANT!** There are instances when a CSM course is approved for CSU GE but the same course at Skyline or Cañada is NOT approved for CSU GE (or visa versa). Use ASSIST! On ASSIST view the CSU GE list for the college in which you are enrolled in the course you are considering to confirm CSU GE applicability.

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### AREA A: Communication Skills & Critical Thinking

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| 9     | A1 Oral Communication  
|       | A2 Written Communication  
|       | A3 Critical Thinking |

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### AREA B: Natural Science & Mathematics

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| 9-10  | B1 Physical Science  
|       | B2 Life Science  
|       | B3 Lab Courses |

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### AREA C: Arts, Literature, Philosophy & Languages

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| 9     | C1 Arts  
|       | C2 Humanities |

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### AREA D: Social, Political & Economic Institutions

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### AREA E: Lifelong Understanding & Self Development

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| 3     | E1 Lifelong Understanding & Self Development  
|       | E2 Lifelong Understanding & Self Development |

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- Some courses appear in more than one CSU GE AREA but can be applied to only one area.
Due to periodic revision of transfer requirements, use www.assist.org for the most current CSU GE info.

Directions to students:
1. You must request an official CSU GE Certification to be sent with your final transcripts to your transfer destination in your last term of enrollment at CSM prior to transfer. Failure to do so may affect your transfer.
2. Use DEGREE WORKS AUDIT to identify how courses completed at CSM, Skyline, or Cañada are applied to CSU GE.
3. IMPORTANT!! There are instances where a course at CSM is approved for CSU GE but the same course at Skyline or Canada is NOT approved for CSU GE (or visa versa). Use www.ASSIST.com and select the COLLEGE where you are taking the course to determine if that the course (at that college) is approved for GE!
4. IMPORTANT!! If you plan to complete your transfer requirements at CSM and have completed courses at other colleges or universities in the United States you must have an OFFICIAL transcript evaluation via the SMCCCD Transcript Evaluation Service. For more information go to www.smccd.edu/transeval. You can submit a REQUEST for an official transcript evaluation in your WebSMART.

Important information regarding CSU GE

1. Courses listed in more than one area can be used to satisfy only one area, except courses completed to meet the U.S. History, U.S. Constitution and California State and Local Government requirement may also be applied to a GE area.
2. Completion of CSU GE does not guarantee admission to any CSU campus.
3. A maximum of 39/40 units of lower division general education units required by CSU can be completed at College of San Mateo. Of the 39/40 units, a maximum of 30/31 can be can be certified in Areas B, C, D, and E.
4. Courses applied to meet areas A1, A2, A3, and B4 must be completed with a grade of C- or higher. Outside of Areas A and B4, it is up to the specific CSU campus to determine if they will accept a grade of D for CSU GE. However, if the campus or major in which you wish to transfer is competitive or selective, grades of D could negatively affect your admissions.
5. Transfer students pursuing a high unit major that requires extensive lower-division major preparation may not be able to complete all lower division general education requirements prior to transfer. Speak with a counselor about course selections.
6. Students who have completed coursework at colleges or universities outside of the San Mateo County Community College District but within the United States must use the SMCCCD Transcript Evaluation Service (www.smccd.edu/transeval) within the first semester of attendance to determine how prior coursework can be applied to CSU GE certification. You can find all California Community College transfer course information on www.assist.org.
7. PASS ALONG policy: CSM can certify coursework completed at another California community college, or at an independent institution that participates in certifying GE coursework to the CSU, or at a CSU campus, only if the courses are on the approved certification list at the college when and where they were completed. Coursework from other accredited colleges/universities that do not have established articulation with the CSU system may be approved as long as the courses meet CSU GE standards. However, the Critical Thinking requirement (Area A3) is a course developed with collaboration from the CSU, UC, and CCC systems and, typically, out of state courses will not be considered equivalent.
8. CSU campuses urge transfer students to complete all lower division general education and pre-major courses prior to transfer. Use www.assist.org and www.csumentor.edu as resources.
9. BE ADVISED—what you don’t know WILL HURT you! It is your responsibility to do necessary transfer research! To successfully transfer be sure to use Transfer Services, attend “how to transfer” workshops, and meet with a counselor to develop an educational plan for your SPECIFIC transfer destination and major!