

Transfer Students

SDSU Senate (extracted September 5, 2023)

1.0 General Education

1.1. Transfer with Certification

1.1.1. San Diego State University shall honor certification by California community colleges for General Education requirements to a maximum of 39 state-mandated General Education units as outlined in Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations.

1.1.2. Transfer students who have been certified for 39 units shall be required to complete an additional nine units of approved General Education courses at San Diego State University to comply with the Title 5 provision that at least nine units shall be earned at the campus granting the degree.

1.2. Transfer without Certification: Transfer students not receiving a 39-unit certification may receive General Education credit for baccalaureate courses taken at other institutions in two ways:

1.2.1. The transfer course shall appear on approved General Education course lists submitted to the CSU Chancellor and shall have been taken while included on the approved course list. This list shall include courses within Communication and Analytical Reasoning, Foundations, and Explorations in the San Diego State University General Education program.

1.2.2. The transfer course shall clearly satisfy the criteria for General Education courses as defined by Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, Executive Order 1100-Revised (2017), and the appropriate section of the San Diego State University Curriculum Guide. Such determination shall be made by the Associate Vice President for Curriculum, Assessment and Accreditation. in consultation with the Committee on General Education.

2.0 California Articulation Number System

Departments or schools may choose to participate with one or more courses in the California Articulation Number (CAN) system. Transfer courses bearing published CAN numbers the same as those published in the San Diego State University General Catalog shall be acceptable for all purposes in lieu of the SDSU courses, provided that the transfer courses be taken (a) after publication of the CAN number in the San Diego State University General Catalog and (b) before publication of the San Diego State University General Catalog deleting CAN numbers for courses that SDSU departments or schools have withdrawn from the CAN system.

3.0 Choice of Catalog

Students may select the General Education requirements in effect during the academic catalog year in which they entered San Diego State University, another campus in the system, or a California community college, even if they declare or change their major in a later year. All other requirements (including GE, pre-major and impaction criteria, course prerequisites, and accepted articulation arrangements) shall continue to be governed by the catalog in effect in the academic year in which students declare or change their major, or in the academic year in which they graduate. This option

shall apply only to students who maintain continuous enrollment either (a) solely at San Diego State University or (b) at San Diego State University and a California Community College or another CSU campus.