



Checklist for GT Pathways General Education Credit Earned While in High School

GT Pathways is the state general education curriculum that applies to every AA/AS degree, and most BA/BS degrees, at Colorado’s public colleges and universities. The GT Pathways curriculum provides students with the knowledge and skills needed to succeed in college and in their careers, and as citizens. Courses that are part of GT Pathways apply to the gen ed requirements at all public colleges and universities in Colorado and are guaranteed to transfer between institutions.

High school students and counselors can use this checklist to ensure that the Concurrent Enrollment, Advanced Placement, and International Baccalaureate courses students take will apply to GT Pathways general education requirements.* A list of all GT Pathways courses can be found at:

<https://highered.colorado.gov/Academics/Transfers/gtPathways/Curriculum/Courses.aspx>

NOTE: The category requirements in this table are specific to institutions in the Colorado Community College System. Requirements at other public colleges and universities may vary. See the explanatory note at the end of the document.

Example for How to Use the Table:

Check When Requirement is Met	GT Pathways/General Education Requirements for all AA & AS and Most* BA & BS Degrees	How did I meet the GT Pathways requirement?*(to be filled in by the student)
√	<u>GT-CO1: Introductory Writing</u> (1 course worth at least 3 credits). Common examples include Composition I, Academic Writing, and Composing Arguments.	<i>I took AP English Language & Composition and got a 3 on the exam and it qualifies for 3 credits of GT-CO1.</i>
√	<u>GT-MA1: Mathematics</u> (1 course worth at least 3 credits). Common examples include Math for the Liberal Arts, Intro to Statistics, and College Algebra.	<i>I took MAT 135: Introduction to Statistics (3 credits) through Concurrent Enrollment and got a B in the course.</i>

Start Here:

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Take 2 Written Communications Courses:		
	<u>GT-CO1: Introductory Writing</u> (1 course worth at least 3 credits). Common examples include Composition I, Academic Writing, and Composing Arguments.	
	<u>GT-CO2: Intermediate Writing</u> (1 course worth at least 3 credits). Common examples include Composition II, Academic Writing and Inquiry, and Research and Argument Writing.	



Check When Requirement is Met	GT Pathways/General Education Requirements for all AA & AS and Most* BA & BS Degrees	How did I meet the GT Pathways requirement?*(to be filled in by the student)
Take 1 Mathematics Course:		
	<u>GT-MA1: Mathematics</u> (1 course worth at least 3 credits). Common examples include Math for the Liberal Arts, Intro to Statistics, and College Algebra.	
Take 1 History Course:		
	<u>GT-HI1: History</u> (1 course worth at least 3 credits). Common examples include US History, Western Civilization, and Chicano Studies.	
Take 2 Arts & Humanities courses from 2 different categories for a total of at least 6 credits:		
	<u>GT-AH1: Arts & Expression</u> Common examples include Art, Music, and Theatre.	
	<u>GT-AH2: Literature and Humanities</u> Common examples include courses with "Literature" or "Humanities" in the title.	
	<u>GT-AH3: Ways of Thinking</u> Common examples include Philosophy, Ethics, and World Religions.	
	<u>GT-AH4: World Languages</u> Common examples include Spanish, French, and American Sign Language.	
Take 1 Social & Behavioral Sciences course worth at least 3 credits from one of the following categories:		
	<u>GT-SS1: Economic or Political Systems</u> Common examples include Economics, American Government, and Politics.	
	<u>GT-SS2: Geography</u> Common examples include any course with Geography in the title.	
	<u>GT-SS3: Human Behavior, Culture or Social Frameworks</u> Common examples include Anthropology, Psychology, and Sociology.	
Take 1 additional Arts & Humanities or Social & Behavioral Science course:		
	Take 1 additional course from a GT-AH or GT-SS category in which you have not already taken a course (3 credits).	
Take 2 Natural & Physical Sciences courses, at least one of which must be GT-SC1, from the following categories (the two courses combined must total at least 7 credits):		
	<u>GT-SC1: Science Course with Required Lab</u> Common examples include Biology, Chemistry, and Physics.	
	<u>GT-SC2: Science Lecture Course without Lab</u> Common examples include Astronomy, Geology, and Environment.	



*** Notes:**

- For Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate, students must pass the course and meet the set cut score on associated exam to be guaranteed college credit. AP and IB exams and their associated cut scores are listed at: <http://higherred.colorado.gov/Academics/Transfers/GetCredit.html>
- Concurrent Enrollment (CE) courses must be passed with a grade of C- or higher to guarantee GT Pathways credit.
- A list of the BA and BS degrees that have different GT Pathways requirements is available at: <http://higherred.colorado.gov/Data/Degrees.aspx?gtp=no>. Students who plan to enroll in one of the programs on this list (for example, many engineering, computer science, and nursing degrees) should check with an advisor at the intended college or university to see which of the GT Pathways requirements will apply.
- This guide was created based upon the AA/AS degree requirements set forth by the Colorado Community College System (CCCS), since most students will take their Concurrent Enrollment courses through their local community college. CCCS requirements differ slightly from the requirements at other institutions for GT Pathways. For example, most other institutions allow students to take two history courses, and to take two courses from the same Arts & Humanities category, and still meet GT Pathways requirements.
- Students are encouraged to check with an advisor at the intended institution about specific degree requirements. The statewide GT Pathways requirements can be found at <https://higherred.colorado.gov/Academics/Transfers/gtPathways/curriculum.html>.

Any credits earned beyond the minimum requirements listed here are **not guaranteed to transfer or apply** to GT Pathways requirements. They may, however, apply as elective or major credits at the institution's discretion. If you have any questions, please call the Colorado Department of Higher Education at the number below and ask to speak with someone in the Academic Affairs Division.

