

# BACHELOR OF ARTS IN HISTORY

A list of faculty advisors is available at the department office, Science Building, Room 276.

## Program Learning Outcomes

- Students will be able to express knowledge about a geographic and chronological diversity of human experiences, identities, and relationships, both between people and between humans and the natural world, to understand the world beyond themselves. (Knowing)
- Students will be able to approach complex issues in the past from multiple perspectives, understanding causal relationships in a way that allows them to recognize alternate and resonant ways of being in the world across time and space. (Understanding)
- Students will be able to critically assess how power has operated in the past, developing a keen sense of empathy and appreciation for the humanity of others afforded by a perspective informed by social justice and attention to diversity and inclusivity. (Ethics)
- Students will be able to conduct their own research using primary sources to make compelling arguments about the past, situating their conclusions within the debates among historians. (Research Skills)
- Students will be able to organize evidence, communicate complex information, tell engaging stories, and persuade their audience using both written and oral forms of communication. (Communication Skills)

## History (B.A.) – 39 units

History majors cannot choose CR/NC grading in more than two history courses for their major, nor elect CR/NC grading in HIST 300GW or HIST 696.

### Lower-Division Requirements (12 units)

Select three:

Code	Title	Units
HIST 114	World History to 1500	3
HIST 115	World History Since 1500	3
HIST 120	History of the U.S. through Reconstruction	3
HIST 121	History of the U.S. since Reconstruction	3

Select one course not already taken to satisfy the requirement above:

Code	Title	Units
HIST 101	Critical Thinking in History	3
HIST 102	Introduction to Oral History	3
HIST 103	The History of Me	3
HIST 110	History of Western Civilization I	3
HIST 111	History of Western Civilization II	3
HIST/LCA/PHIL/PLSI 112	Quantitative Reasoning for Civic Engagement	3
HIST 114	World History to 1500	3
HIST 115	World History Since 1500	3
HIST 120	History of the U.S. through Reconstruction	3
HIST 121	History of the U.S. since Reconstruction	3

### Upper-Division Core (6 units)

Students must complete HIST 300GW before enrolling in HIST 696, which should preferably be taken in the final year of study.

Code	Title	Units
HIST 300GW	Seminar in Historical Analysis - GVAR	3
HIST 696	Proseminar in History	3

### Upper-Division Electives (21 units)

#### Breadth Requirements (9-12 units)

Students must complete the following four Breadth requirements within their upper-division course of study. Courses used to satisfy one geographic requirement (B, C, or D) may not be used to satisfy another geographic requirement. The course used to satisfy the Early Period of History - Before 1750 requirement (A) may also satisfy one of the geographic requirements (B, C, and D).

#### A. One Upper-Division Course in Early Periods of History - Before 1750

Code	Title	Units
HIST 307	Monsters & Monstrosity: Historicizing Fear	3
HIST 310	Ancient Near East: Cities and Empires in Ancient Mesopotamia	3
HIST/CLAS 319		
HIST 320	Archaic and Classical Greece	3
HIST 321	Hellenistic Greece	3
HIST 322	The Roman Republic	3
HIST 323	Imperial Rome	3
HIST/CLAR 324		
HIST 325		
HIST 326/ MGS 510/CLAS 510	The Byzantine Empire	3
HIST 327	The Medieval Mediterranean	3
HIST 328	Pagans and Christians in a Changing Roman World	3
HIST 329	Early Christian Church 313-787	3
HIST 330/ HUM 403	Vikings, Caliphs, & Carolingians: Europe in the Early Middle Ages	3
HIST 331/ HUM 404	The High Middle Ages	3
HIST/JS 332	Ancient and Medieval Jews Among Pagans, Christians, and Muslims	3
HIST 333	The Black Death	3
HIST 334	The Renaissance	3
HIST 336		
HIST 337		
HIST 338		
HIST 340	Saints, Demons, and Popular Beliefs in Medieval Europe	3
HIST/MGS 351		
HIST 357	Colonial Latin America	3
HIST 359		
HIST 360	Ancient Chinese Civilization	3
HIST 361	Imperial China	3
HIST 365		
HIST 366/ ANTH 609	Approaches to the African Past	3

HIST 367		
HIST 370/ CLAS 582/HUM 582	Tales from Ancient India: Hinduism and Buddhism	3
HIST 371		
HIST 380	Islamic World I: 500-1500	3
HIST 420	American Colonial History	3

**B. One Upper-Division Course That Focuses Primarily on U.S. History Code Title Units**

HIST 302		
HIST 303	Introduction to Oral and Public History: The Bay Area	3
HIST 404	A Cultural History of American Technology	3
HIST 416/JS 548	The Jewish Sixties: A Journey Through The Social Protest Movements of the 1960s	3
HIST 418	Society and Politics in American History	3
HIST 420	American Colonial History	3
HIST/JS 421	Food Fights: The Politics of American Jewish Consumption from 1654 to the Present	3
HIST 422	The American Revolution	3
HIST 424	History of the United States: Civil War and Reconstruction	3
HIST 426	History of the United States 1877-1916	3
HIST 427	History of the United States 1916-1945	3
HIST 428	U.S. History in the Civil Rights Era, 1945-1980	3
HIST 429	U.S. History: The Recent Past, 1980 to the Present	3
HIST/JS/HUM 441	American Jews and Popular Culture	3
HIST/JS 449	American Jewish History	3
HIST 450	History of California	3
HIST 451/ A U 303	Bay Area History and Society	3
HIST 455	The Philippines and the United States	3
HIST 460	The United States and the World Before 1913	3
HIST 461	The United States and the World after 1913	3
HIST 464	American Ethnic and Racial Relations to 1890	3
HIST 465	American Ethnic and Racial Relations II: 1890-Present	3
HIST 466/ RRS 600	History of People of Color in the U.S.	3
HIST 467	Women in the U.S. to 1890	3
HIST 468	Women in the U.S.: 1890-Present	3
HIST 469	American Childhoods: Past and Present	3
HIST 470	The U.S. Constitution to 1896	3
HIST 471	The U.S. Constitution Since 1896	3
HIST 472	The Supreme Court and Social Change in U.S. History	3
HIST/RRS/LABR 473	Slavery and Antislavery in the United States	3
HIST/ECON/ LABR 474	History of Labor in the United States	3
HIST 475	History of Sexuality in the United States Before 1900	3

HIST 478	American Popular Culture History: Barnum to Reality TV	3
HIST 479	The History of Baseball	3
HIST/HUM 480	Thought and Culture in America to 1880	3
HIST/HUM 481	Thought and Culture in America: 1880 to the Present	3
HIST/RELS 482	Religion in America	3
HIST 484	Disability and Culture in the U.S.	3
HIST 485	History of Sexuality in the United States Since 1900	3
HIST 489/ USP 400	Dynamics of the American City	3
HIST 490	Topics in American History	3

**C. One Upper-Division Course that Focuses Primarily on a Region Outside of the U.S. and includes Europe (Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean, and/or the Middle East) Code Title Units**

HIST 310	Ancient Near East: Cities and Empires in Ancient Mesopotamia	3
HIST 311	Ancient Mediterranean World in Transition: c. 1600-700 BCE	3
HIST 313	Comparative History of Love and Sexuality	3
HIST/HUM 315	History of Science from the Scientific Revolution	3
HIST/JS 317	The Holocaust and Genocide	3
HIST/CLAS 319		
HIST 320	Archaic and Classical Greece	3
HIST 321	Hellenistic Greece	3
HIST 322	The Roman Republic	3
HIST 323	Imperial Rome	3
HIST/CLAR 324		
HIST 325		
HIST 326/ MGS 510/CLAS 510	The Byzantine Empire	3
HIST 327	The Medieval Mediterranean	3
HIST 328	Pagans and Christians in a Changing Roman World	3
HIST 329	Early Christian Church 313-787	3
HIST 330/ HUM 303	Vikings, Caliphs, & Carolingians: Europe in the Early Middle Ages	3
HIST 331/ HUM 404	The High Middle Ages	3
HIST/JS 332	Ancient and Medieval Jews Among Pagans, Christians, and Muslims	3
HIST 333	The Black Death	3
HIST 334	The Renaissance	3
HIST 335/JS 633	Jewish History II: 1650 to Present	3
HIST 336		
HIST 337		
HIST 338		
HIST 339	Pirates and Piracy	3
HIST 340	Saints, Demons, and Popular Beliefs in Medieval Europe	3
HIST 342	French Revolution and Napoleon	3
HIST 343	Soviet Russia, the West, and the Cold War	3

HIST 344	Society, Culture, and Politics in Nineteenth-Century Europe	3
HIST 345	The Era of Globalization 1968-2008	3
HIST/I R 346	Europe since 1914	3
HIST 347	Women in Modern Europe	3
HIST/HUM 348	Thought and Culture in Modern Europe	3
HIST 349	Topics in European History	3
HIST/MGS 350	Greece and the Balkans	3
HIST/MGS 351		
HIST/MGS 352		
HIST 353	History of Mexico	3
HIST 354		
HIST/WGS 355/ LTNS 533	History of Women in Latin America	3
HIST 356		
HIST 357	Colonial Latin America	3
HIST 358/ ANTH 501/LTNS 501	Latin America: The National Period	3
HIST 359		
HIST 360	Ancient Chinese Civilization	3
HIST 361	Imperial China	3
HIST 362	History of Modern China	3
HIST 363	Taiwan: History, Memory, and Imagination	3
HIST 364	Sex and Gender in East Asia	3
HIST 365		
HIST 366/ ANTH 609	Approaches to the African Past	3
HIST 367		
HIST 368	Modern Africa	3
HIST 369	Gender in African History	3
HIST 370/ HUM 582/CLAS 582	Tales from Ancient India: Hinduism and Buddhism	3
HIST 371		
HIST 372	India and the British Empire	3
HIST 373	Contemporary India	3
HIST 374/ HUM 586	Bollywood and Beyond: Indian History Through Film	3
HIST 376	History of Southeast Asia	3
HIST 379		
HIST 380	Islamic World I: 500-1500	3
HIST 381	Islamic World II: 1500 - Present	3
HIST 382	History of Iran and Afghanistan 1500 - Present	3
HIST 383		
HIST 385	The Russian Revolution	3
HIST 390	Era of the World Wars 1918 to 1945	3
HIST 395	International History 1814-1918	3
HIST 398	History of Modern European Imperialism	3
HIST 455	The Philippines and the United States	3

**D. One Upper-Division Course That Focuses Primarily on a Region Outside of the U.S. and Europe (Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean, and/or the Middle East)**

Code	Title	Units
HIST 310	Ancient Near East: Cities and Empires in Ancient Mesopotamia	3
HIST 311	Ancient Mediterranean World in Transition: c. 1600-700 BCE	3
HIST 353	History of Mexico	3
HIST 354		
HIST/WGS 355/ LTNS 533	History of Women in Latin America	3
HIST 356		
HIST 357	Colonial Latin America	3
HIST 358/ ANTH 501/LTNS 501	Latin America: The National Period	3
HIST 359		
HIST 360	Ancient Chinese Civilization	3
HIST 361	Imperial China	3
HIST 362	History of Modern China	3
HIST 363	Taiwan: History, Memory, and Imagination	3
HIST 364	Sex and Gender in East Asia	3
HIST 365		
HIST 366/ ANTH 609	Approaches to the African Past	3
HIST 367		
HIST 368	Modern Africa	3
HIST 369	Gender in African History	3
HIST 370/ HUM 582/CLAS 582	Tales from Ancient India: Hinduism and Buddhism	3
HIST 371		
HIST 372	India and the British Empire	3
HIST 373	Contemporary India	3
HIST 374/ HUM 586	Bollywood and Beyond: Indian History Through Film	3
HIST 376	History of Southeast Asia	3
HIST 380	Islamic World I: 500-1500	3
HIST 381	Islamic World II: 1500 - Present	3
HIST 382	History of Iran and Afghanistan 1500 - Present	3
HIST 383		
HIST 395	International History 1814-1918	3
HIST 455	The Philippines and the United States	3

**Electives (9-12 units)**

Select enough courses from the list below to reach a total of 21 upper-division elective units in the major.

Three upper-division units (normally one course) outside the major (with a non-HIST prefix) may be counted upon advisement.

Students may take additional electives if they choose.

**Elective Options**

<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Units</b>
HIST 303	Introduction to Oral and Public History: The Bay Area	3
HIST 304	Teaching History with Comics	3
HIST 305	Digital History Methods and Practice	3
HIST 307	Monsters & Monstrosity: Historicizing Fear	3
HIST 308/ PLSI 451	Engaging Democracy: Participating in Historical Debates	3
HIST 310	Ancient Near East: Cities and Empires in Ancient Mesopotamia	3
HIST 311	Ancient Mediterranean World in Transition: c. 1600-700 BCE	3
HIST 313	Comparative History of Love and Sexuality	3
HIST 315	History of Science from the Scientific Revolution	3
HIST 317	The Holocaust and Genocide	3
HIST 318	The Holocaust and Law: Complicity, Dissent, and Correction	3
HIST 320	Archaic and Classical Greece	3
HIST 321	Hellenistic Greece	3
HIST 322	The Roman Republic	3
HIST 323	Imperial Rome	3
HIST 326	The Byzantine Empire	3
HIST 327	The Medieval Mediterranean	3
HIST 328	Pagans and Christians in a Changing Roman World	3
HIST 329	Early Christian Church 313-787	3
HIST 330	Vikings, Caliphs, & Carolingians: Europe in the Early Middle Ages	3
HIST 331	The High Middle Ages	3
HIST 332	Ancient and Medieval Jews Among Pagans, Christians, and Muslims	3
HIST 333	The Black Death	3
HIST 334	The Renaissance	3
HIST 335	Jewish History II: 1650 to Present	3
HIST 339	Pirates and Piracy	3
HIST 340	Saints, Demons, and Popular Beliefs in Medieval Europe	3
HIST 342	French Revolution and Napoleon	3
HIST 343	Soviet Russia, the West, and the Cold War	3
HIST 344	Society, Culture, and Politics in Nineteenth-Century Europe	3
HIST 345	The Era of Globalization 1968-2008	3
HIST 346	Europe since 1914	3
HIST 347	Women in Modern Europe	3
HIST 348	Thought and Culture in Modern Europe	3
HIST 349	Topics in European History	3
HIST 350	Greece and the Balkans	3
HIST 353	History of Mexico	3
HIST 355	History of Women in Latin America	3
HIST 357	Colonial Latin America	3
HIST 358	Latin America: The National Period	3
HIST 360	Ancient Chinese Civilization	3
HIST 361	Imperial China	3
HIST 362	History of Modern China	3
HIST 363	Taiwan: History, Memory, and Imagination	3
HIST 364	Sex and Gender in East Asia	3
HIST 366	Approaches to the African Past	3
HIST 368	Modern Africa	3
HIST 369	Gender in African History	3
HIST 370	Tales from Ancient India: Hinduism and Buddhism	3
HIST 372	India and the British Empire	3
HIST 373	Contemporary India	3
HIST 374	Bollywood and Beyond: Indian History Through Film	3
HIST 376	History of Southeast Asia	3
HIST 380	Islamic World I: 500-1500	3
HIST 381	Islamic World II: 1500 - Present	3
HIST 382	History of Iran and Afghanistan 1500 - Present	3
HIST 385	The Russian Revolution	3
HIST 390	Era of the World Wars 1918 to 1945	3
HIST 395	International History 1814-1918	3
HIST 398	History of Modern European Imperialism	3
HIST 404	A Cultural History of American Technology	3
HIST 405	Maritime History	3
HIST 416	The Jewish Sixties: A Journey Through The Social Protest Movements of the 1960s	3
HIST 418	Society and Politics in American History	3
HIST 420	American Colonial History	3
HIST 421	Food Fights: The Politics of American Jewish Consumption from 1654 to the Present	3
HIST 422	The American Revolution	3
HIST 424	History of the United States: Civil War and Reconstruction	3
HIST 426	History of the United States 1877-1916	3
HIST 427	History of the United States 1916-1945	3
HIST 428	U.S. History in the Civil Rights Era, 1945-1980	3
HIST 429	U.S. History: The Recent Past, 1980 to the Present	3
HIST 430	Rising Powers	4
HIST 441	American Jews and Popular Culture	3
HIST 449	American Jewish History	3
HIST 450	History of California	3
HIST 451	Bay Area History and Society	3
HIST 455	The Philippines and the United States	3
HIST 460	The United States and the World Before 1913	3
HIST 461	The United States and the World after 1913	3
HIST 464	American Ethnic and Racial Relations to 1890	3
HIST 465	American Ethnic and Racial Relations II: 1890-Present	3
HIST 466	History of People of Color in the U.S.	3
HIST 467	Women in the U.S. to 1890	3
HIST 468	Women in the U.S.: 1890-Present	3
HIST 469	American Childhoods: Past and Present	3
HIST 470	The U.S. Constitution to 1896	3
HIST 471	The U.S. Constitution Since 1896	3
HIST 472	The Supreme Court and Social Change in U.S. History	3
HIST 473	Slavery and Antislavery in the United States	3

HIST 474	History of Labor in the United States	3
HIST 475	History of Sexuality in the United States Before 1900	3
HIST 478	American Popular Culture History: Barnum to Reality TV	3
HIST 479	The History of Baseball	3
HIST 480	Thought and Culture in America to 1880	3
HIST 481	Thought and Culture in America: 1880 to the Present	3
HIST 482	Religion in America	3
HIST 483	Horror Land: Monsters, Haunts, and Horror in American History	3
HIST 484	Disability and Culture in the U.S.	3
HIST 485	History of Sexuality in the United States Since 1900	3
HIST 489	Dynamics of the American City	3
HIST 490	Topics in American History	3
HIST 514	Political Violence and Terrorism in German History, Film, and Visual Media	3
HIST 680	Archives or Historical Agency Internship	1-6
HIST 690	Editing and Publishing the History Journal	1-4
HIST 698	Directed Reading in History	3
HIST 699	Independent Study	1-4

Lab Science	LD	1	B3
Mathematics/ Quantitative Reasoning	LD	3	B4
Arts	LD	3	C1
Humanities	LD	3	C2
Arts or Humanities	LD	3	C1 or C2
Social Sciences	LD	3	D1
Social Sciences: US History	LD	3	D2
Lifelong Learning and Self- Development (LLD)	LD	3	E
Ethnic Studies	LD	3	F
Physical and/or Life Science	UD	3	UD-B
Arts and/or Humanities	UD	3	UD-C
Social Sciences	UD	3	UD-D

**SF State Studies**

Courses certified as meeting the SF State Studies requirements may be upper or lower division in General Education (GE), a major or minor, or an elective.

American Ethnic and Racial Minorities	LD or UD	3	AERM
Environmental Sustainability	LD or UD	3	ES
Global Perspectives	LD or UD	3	GP
Social Justice	LD or UD	3	SJ

Note: LD = Lower-Division; UD = Upper-Division.

**Complementary Studies**

All candidates for the Bachelor of Arts in History are required to complete 12 units of Complementary Studies. These are courses with a prefix other than HIST and not cross-listed with HIST that support the study of History. These units can be earned in residence at San Francisco State, in a Study Abroad Program, or transferred.

- a. Up to all 12 units may be in a Foreign Language or through Study Abroad at either the lower- or upper-division;
- b. For units that are not in a Foreign Language or through Study Abroad, up to 3 units may be lower-division and the remainder must be upper-division;
- c. Within an established minor, students can satisfy Complementary Studies by completing 12 units from a single minor. If students earn their Complementary Studies as part of an established minor, a maximum of 6 units may be lower-division.

Students who have earned AA–T or AS–T degrees and are pursuing a similar B.A. degree at SF State are required to fulfill the Complementary Studies requirement as defined by the major department. Students should consult with a major advisor about how transfer units and/or SF State units can best be applied to this requirement in order to ensure degree completion within 60 units.

**General Education Requirements**

Requirement	Course Level	Units	Area Designation
Oral Communication	LD	3	A1
Written English Communication	LD	3	A2
Critical Thinking	LD	3	A3
Physical Science	LD	3	B1
Life Science	LD	3	B2

**First-Time Student Roadmap (4 Year)**

- a. The roadmaps presented in this Bulletin are intended as suggested plans of study and do not replace meeting with an advisor. For a more personalized roadmap, please use the Degree Planner (<https://registrar.sfsu.edu/degreeplanner/>) tool found in your Student Center.
- b. In order to choose your English Composition A2 course and your QR/Math B4 course, please complete the online advising activities at [writingadvising.sfsu.edu](https://writingadvising.sfsu.edu) (<https://writingadvising.sfsu.edu>) and [mathadvising.sfsu.edu](https://mathadvising.sfsu.edu). Questions? Contact Gator Smart Start (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu>).

First-Time Student Roadmap (<http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/liberal-creative-arts/history/ba-history/roadmap-i-ii-eng/>)

**SF State Scholars**

The San Francisco State Scholars program provides undergraduate students with an accelerated pathway to a graduate degree. Students in this program pursue a bachelor's and master's degree simultaneously. This program allows students to earn graduate credit while in their junior and/or senior year, reducing the number of semesters required for completion of a master's degree.

San Francisco State Scholars Roadmap (<http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/liberal-creative-arts/history/ba-history/scholars-roadmap/>)

- a course in U.S. History
- a course in U.S. & California Government

## Transfer Student Roadmap (2 Year)

For students with an AA-T in **History**.

HIST ADT Roadmap (<http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/liberal-creative-arts/history/ba-history/adt-roadmap/>)

## This degree program is an approved pathway (“similar” major) for students earning the ADT in History

California legislation SB 1440 (2009) mandated the creation of the Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) to be awarded by the California Community Colleges. Two types of ADTs are awarded: Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) and Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T).

Note: no specific degree is required for admission as an upper-division student. However, the ADT includes specific guarantees related to admission and graduation and is designed to clarify the transfer process and strengthen lower-division preparation for the major.

An ADT totals 60 units and in most cases includes completion of all lower-division General Education requirements and at least 18 units in a specific major. (The Biology, Chemistry, and Environmental Science AS-T degrees defer 3 units in lower-division GE area C and 3 units in lower-division GE area D until after transfer.) Students pursuing an ADT are guaranteed admission to the CSU if minimum eligibility requirements are met, though not necessarily to the CSU campus of primary choice.

Upon verification that the ADT has been awarded prior to matriculation at SF State, students are guaranteed B.A. or B.S. completion in 60 units if pursuing a “similar” major after transfer. Determinations about “similar” majors at SF State are made by faculty in the discipline.

Degree completion in 60 units cannot be guaranteed when a student simultaneously pursues an additional major, a minor, certificate, or credential.

A sample advising roadmap for students who have earned an ADT and continue in a “similar” major at SF State is available on the Roadmaps tab on the degree requirements page for the major. The roadmap displays:

- How many lower-division units required for the major have been completed upon entry based on the award of a specific ADT;
- Which lower-division requirements are considered complete upon entry based on the award of a specific ADT;
- How to complete the remaining 60 units for the degree in four semesters.

Students who have earned an ADT should seek advising in the major department during the first semester of attendance.

## General Advising Information for Transfer Students

- Before transfer, complete as many lower-division requirements or electives for this major as possible.
- The following courses are not required for admission but are required for graduation. Students are strongly encouraged to complete these units before transfer; doing so will provide more flexibility in course selection after transfer.

For information about satisfying the requirements described in (1) and (2) above at a California Community College (CCC), please visit <http://www.assist.org> (<http://assist.org>). Check any geographically accessible CCCs; sometimes options include more than one college. Use ASSIST to determine:

- Which courses at a CCC satisfy any lower-division major requirements for this major;
- Which courses at a CCC satisfy CSU GE, US History, and US & CA Government requirements.

Remedial courses are not transferable and do not apply to the minimum 60 semester units/90 quarter units required for admission.

Additional units for courses that are repeated do not apply to the minimum 60 units required for upper-division transfer (for example, if a course was not passed on the first attempt or was taken to earn a better grade).

Before leaving the last California Community College of attendance, obtain a summary of completion of lower-division General Education units (IGETC or CSU GE Breadth). This is often referred to as a GE certification worksheet. SF State does not require delivery of this certification to Admissions, but students should retain this document for verifying degree progress after transfer.

Credit for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or College-Level Examination Program courses: AP/IB/CLEP credit is not automatically transferred from the previous institution. Units are transferred only when an official score report is delivered to SF State. Credit is based on the academic year during which exams were taken. Refer to the University Bulletin in effect during the year of AP/IB/CLEP examination(s) for details regarding the award of credit for AP/IB/CLEP.

Students pursuing majors in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines often defer 6-9 units of lower-division General Education in Areas C and D until after transfer to focus on preparation courses for the major. This advice does not apply to students pursuing associate degree completion before transfer.

## Transferring From Institutions Other Than CCCs or CSUs

Review SF State's lower-division General Education requirements. Note that, as described below, the four basic skills courses required for admission meet A1, A2, A3, and B4 in the SF State GE pattern. Courses that fulfill the remaining areas of SF State's lower-division GE pattern are available at most two-year and four-year colleges and universities.

Of the four required basic skills courses, a course in critical thinking (A3) may not be widely offered outside the CCC and CSU systems. Students should attempt to identify and take an appropriate course no later than the term of application to the CSU. To review more information about the A3 requirement, please visit [bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/general-education/lower-division/#AEL](http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/general-education/lower-division/#AEL).

Waiting until after transfer to take a single course at SF State that meets both US and CA/local government requirements may be an appropriate option, particularly if transferring from outside of California.