### GENERAL INFORMATION
Students graduating from USC are required to complete the general education, lower division writing, diversity, and foreign language (for certain majors) requirements. Listed below are courses which may be completed at College of the Canyons that meet these requirements. Categories IV and VI of the general education requirement can not be taken in transfer, they must be completed at USC after acceptance. It is recommended that the lower division writing requirement and GE categories I, II, III and V be completed at College of the Canyons prior to transfer. Once a student enrolls at USC, all remaining GE and writing requirements must be completed at USC.

**College courses taken before high school graduation:**
Students may apply towards their USC degree no more than 16 units for college courses taken before high school graduation. In addition, college courses taken before high school graduation may ONLY fulfill General Education categories I, II, III, and V and NOT any other requirements, including Diversity, Writing or Foreign Language, nor will they be granted course equivalence. Instead, they will earn elective units if they are transferable to USC. However, transferable courses may be used by USC departments to waive prerequisites or specific course requirements, if appropriate. Courses must be taught on the college campus by college faculty and not used toward high school graduation to earn credit.

**Note:** These requirements do not automatically complete College of the Canyons Associate Degree requirements.

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<td>English 102 or 103</td>
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<td>If required by major (see list on page two), transfer students must complete the third level (French 201, German 201, Spanish 201) with a grade of C- or higher or must pass USC's placement exam at a level equivalent to third semester competency. International students whose native language is not English are exempt from this requirement.</td>
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<td>Students should complete Math 070 (Intermediate Algebra) with a C grade or have passed with a C or better three years of math in high school, including advanced algebra. (Math 070 is non-transferable.) Some majors require specific math courses beyond this level.</td>
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### General Education Categories:

#### CATEGORY I - WESTERN CULTURES AND TRADITIONS
Choose ONE course from the following:
- Art 110, 111
- History 101, 102
- Humanities 150
- Philosophy 110 or 111
- Theatre 220

#### CATEGORY II – GLOBAL CULTURES AND TRADITIONS
Choose ONE course from the following:
- Anthropology 103, 103H, 210
- History 165, 191, 193, 212
- Music 108
- Philosophy 102

#### CATEGORY III - SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY (requires a lab)
Choose ONE course from the following:
- Biology 100, 106, 107, 107H, 215, 216, 219
- Chemistry 201
- Geography 101 with 101L
- Geology 101 with 100; 218
- Physical Science 101
- Physics 110, 220

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- No more than four (4) semester units of CR/NCR may be applied to GE requirements.
- Courses must be at least 3 semester or 4 quarter units to receive GE credit above.
- Once a student enrolls at USC, he or she must complete all remaining GE and writing requirements at USC.

DEPARTMENTS OR DEGREES WITH A THIRD-SEMESTER FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT:

College of Letters, Arts and Sciences - (all majors) and
- Animation and Digital Arts
- Cinema – Television Critical Studies
- Cinema – Television Production
- Cinema-Interactive Entertainment
- Communication – all majors
- Computer Science
- Dance
- Theatre and Dance

NOTE: The International Relations major requires a 4th semester of foreign language.

CREDIT LIMITATIONS: (Semester units) - Unit limits for PE activity, dance, music lessons, and ESL include units earned at USC. All courses in these categories except ASL, ESL and PE theory can be repeated for credit, up to the maximum limit.

ASL: American Sign Language-12 units max.
ESL: English for speakers of other languages: 4 units max
Physical Education:
- Music Ensemble: 4 units max.
- Music Lessons: 12 units max.
- Studio Arts:
  - Drawing: 12 units max.
  - Painting: 12 units max.
  - 2-D art: 16 units max.
  - 3-D art: 12 units max.
- Theatre and Dance:
  - Dance: 8 units max.
  - Acting: 12 units max.
  - Production: 12 units max.
  - Stagecraft: 12 units max.

MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

1. Intermediate algebra (non-transferable college course), unless you took advanced algebra in high school.
2. Lower division writing requirement (ENGL 102 or 103 at COC)
3. There is no minimum number of transfer units you must complete. However, if you have fewer than 30 units, the Office of Admissions will focus primarily on your high school record and SAT results.

Many majors have additional admission requirements. See “Transferring to USC” at www.usc.edu/transferring.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Units
  Students may transfer a maximum of 64 semester units (except for Architecture majors and Engineering “3-2” students, who have different limits).

- Grades
  - Credit/no credit-No more than 4 units of GE (one course) can be taken pass/no pass; lower division writing course cannot be taken pass/no pass and no more than 24 units total can be taken on a pass/no pass option, including courses taken at USC. Pass/no pass means a course that is available for a letter grade but allows the student to choose pass/no pass as an alternative grade choice. If a course is only offered on a credit/no credit basis, it is not included in the limit.
  - Courses must receive at least a grade of C- or credit (or pass) to transfer.
  - Course repetition
    If two or more courses equivalent to each other are taken, only the first course passed will be granted credit (although all attempts are calculated in the transfer GPA).

- AP and IB exams – See www.usc.edu/dept/ARR/articulation/apexamcredit.html

- Non-traditional course formats:
  Foreign language or laboratory science courses taught online or via distance learning, television, or correspondence will not earn course equivalence and will not satisfy Core requirements; they earn elective units only.

- Journalism and Architecture majors:
  Journalism majors will not receive units for journalism transfer courses, and architecture majors will not receive units for architecture transfer course (unless the USC department makes an exception).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

1. For further information regarding articulation, refer to the USC Articulation website at www.usc.edu/dept/ARR/articulation.
2. For information regarding admission, prospective students should contact USC’s Office of Admission, (213)740-1111 or see www.usc.edu/admission.
3. For information about Business & Accounting majors (Marshall School of Business), see www.marshall.usc.edu/undergradprogram/admissions/admissions-transfer-students.htm

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