

MONTEREY PENINSULA COLLEGE
GOVERNING BOARD POLICIES

3000 SERIES EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND STANDARDS

A. Educational Programs

3001 General Education

a. General Education Philosophy

Those students who complete a program in General Education possess, in common, certain principles, concepts, and methods of inquiry either unique to or shared by the sciences, the humanities, and the social sciences. Through General Education, students are led to gain an appreciation of the arts and humanities to examine the interrelationships among social, political, cultural and economic institutions that both link and separate global societies. Further, students are led to develop habits of critical and quantitative analysis and synthesis, to apply the scientific method of inquiry when gaining an understanding of the physical and biological sciences, and to express judgment through oral and written communication.

b. General Education Requirements

The College shall maintain a current listing of general education requirements for the AA/AS degrees, and general education requirements for the California State University and the Inter-segmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC). These requirements shall be published in the College Catalog, the Schedule of Classes, and the MPC Web Site.

Monterey Peninsula College General Education Requirements shall consist of the following:

- AREA A1: English Composition
- AREA A2: Communication and Analytical Thinking
- AREA B: Natural Science
- AREA C: Humanities
- AREA D: Social Science
- AREA E: Lifelong Learning and Self-Development
 - E1: Wellness
 - E2: Introduction to Careers
- AREA F: Intercultural Studies

c. General Education Course Designation Procedures

The Senate appointed General Education Review Committee shall review board approved courses for inclusion in areas of general education. Each course will be reviewed to determine if it meets the requirements of a College general education area as described in the College Catalog or as determined

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by the CSU and IGETC process. Upon approval as a general education course, the course will have the area designation(s) in the course description, in the course outline, and published in the College Catalog.

Reference: California Administrative Code, Title 5, 55802, 55805

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