

## The Structure of the Degree

UCLA College of Letters and Science undergraduate students must satisfy the following degree requirements:

University Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Entry Level Writing (1 class/5 units)</li> <li>◆ American History &amp; Institutions (1 class/5 units)</li> </ul>
College Proficiency Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Writing I (1 class/5 units)</li> <li>◆ Writing II (1 class/5 units)</li> <li>◆ Quantitative Reasoning (1 class/4-5 units)</li> <li>◆ Foreign Language (1-3 classes/4-15 units)</li> <li>◆ Diversity (1 class/4-5 units)<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>
General Education (GE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Foundations of Arts &amp; Humanities (3 classes/15 units)</li> <li>◆ Foundations of Society &amp; Culture (3 classes/15 units)</li> <li>◆ Foundations of Scientific Inquiry (4 classes/17-20 units)</li> </ul>
Preparation for the Major	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ 3-18 classes (15-72 units)<sup>1</sup></li> <li>◆ Minimum prep GPA varies by major</li> <li>◆ Additional eligibility requirements may be applied</li> </ul>
Upper Division Major Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ 9-13 classes (36-52 units)<sup>1</sup></li> <li>◆ Minimum 2.0 Major GPA<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>
60 Upper Division Requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ 2-6 elective classes (8-24 units; courses numbered 100-199)</li> </ul>
180 Quarter Units to Graduate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ 0-8 elective classes (0-32 units)</li> <li>◆ 180 total units is the minimum to graduate; 216 units is the maximum</li> <li>◆ AP/IB units calculated toward 180 units total</li> </ul>
2.0 GPA Overall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Only UC grades calculated into GPA</li> </ul>
Residence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ 35 out of final 45 units must be completed at UCLA</li> <li>◆ 24 units for the major must be completed at UCLA</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup> Will vary by major; over 100 options within the College of Letters and Science

<sup>2</sup> Only required for freshmen who entered Fall 2015, and transfers who entered Fall 2017 and thereafter.

<sup>3</sup> Some majors have minimum grade requirements for specific courses.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

- ◆ College Academic Counseling | [www.caac.ucla.edu](http://www.caac.ucla.edu)
- ◆ AP and IB Credit Charts | <https://admission.ucla.edu/apply/transferring-credits>
- ◆ Academic Calendar | [www.registrar.ucla.edu/Calendars/Overview](http://www.registrar.ucla.edu/Calendars/Overview)
- ◆ Approved UCLA College GE Articulation Agreements | <http://caac.ucla.edu/academic-planning/transferring-credit/>
- ◆ General Education – Foundations of Knowledge, Diversity Requirement, and Writing I and Writing II Course Lists  
<http://www.registrar.ucla.edu/>(Click Registration & Classes > Schedule of Classes > Review Master Course Lists)
- ◆ General Education (GE) Class Search:  
<http://www.registrar.ucla.edu/>(Click Registration & Classes > Schedule of Classes > Search Criteria > Select General Education (GE) Classes)
- ◆ Planning Your Degree – Tassels to the Left:  
<http://www.ugeducation.ucla.edu/degreepath/>(To view suggested three- and four-year program plans for many College of Letters and Science majors; not all majors are listed.)

*NOTE: Transfer students who completed IGETC will have satisfied College Requirements and General Education.*

# General Degree Information

- ◆ UCLA's academic year is a 3 Quarter System: Fall, Winter, and Spring
  - Quarter = 10 Instruction Weeks + 1 Final Exams Week
  - Summer: 4th Quarter, optional
  - See Annual Academic Calendar for exact dates: <http://www.registrar.ucla.edu/Calendars/Annual-Academic-Calendar>
- ◆ Average course load per quarter: 12-16 units (3-4 classes)
  - 13 units/quarter is encouraged for College of Letters and Science (L&S) students
  - 12 units/quarter: full-time for Federal Financial Aid
  - Below is an example of a four-year program plan.
- ◆ Unit recommendations are based on L&S Expected Cumulative Progress (ECP).
  - ECP Guidelines are designed to promote four-year graduation rates.
  - For more information about ECP: <https://caac.ucla.edu/academic-policies/expected-cumulative-progress/>

## Sample Four-Year Program Plan

### Year 1

	Fall 2019	Winter 2020	Spring 2020	Summer 2020	Total Year Units	Unit Total
Class 1	4	Class 4 4	Class 7 5			
Class 2	4	Class 5 5	Class 8 5			
Class 3	5	Class 6 5	Class 9 5			
<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Total 14</b>	<b>Total 15</b>		<b>42</b>	<b>42</b>

### Year 2

	Fall 2019	Winter 2020	Spring 2020	Summer 2020	Total Year Units	Unit Total
Class 10	4	Class 13 5	Class 16 5			
Class 11	5	Class 14 5	Class 17 5			
Class 12	5	Class 15 5	Class 18 5			
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total 15</b>	<b>Total 15</b>		<b>44</b>	<b>86</b>

### Year 3

	Fall 2019	Winter 2020	Spring 2020	Summer 2020	Total Year Units	Unit Total
Class 19	5	Class 22 5	Class 25 4			
Class 20	5	Class 23 5	Class 26 4			
Class 21	5	Class 24 5	Class 27 4			
			Class 28 4			
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total 15</b>	<b>Total 16</b>		<b>46</b>	<b>132</b>

### Year 4

	Fall 2019	Winter 2020	Spring 2020	Summer 2020	Total Year Units	Unit Total
Class 29	4	Class 33 4	Class 37 4			
Class 30	4	Class 34 4	Class 38 4			
Class 31	4	Class 35 4	Class 39 4			
Class 32	4	Class 36 4	Class 40 4			
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Total 16</b>	<b>Total 16</b>		<b>48</b>	<b>180</b>

- ◆ Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) Credit may be applied towards the 180 units needed to graduate.
  - 4-8 units earned for AP exam scores of 3/4/5.  
For detailed AP chart, see: <http://www.admissions.ucla.edu/prospect/APCreditLS.htm>
  - 2-8 units earned for IB exam scores of 5/6/7.  
For detailed IB chart, see: <http://www.admissions.ucla.edu/prospect/IBCreditLS.htm>