

Academic Regulations

California State University, Fresno is authorized to grant the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Vocational Education, Master of Arts, Master of Science, Master of Business Administration, Master of City and Regional Planning, Master of Public Administration and Master of Social Work degrees. See *School of Education and Human Development* for public school credentials for which the university is authorized to recommend candidates.

Definition of Key Terms

Additional Requirements. Courses from one or more departments or programs outside the major that are required for preparatory or foundational purposes. Such courses are not included in the minimum 2.0 grade point average required for graduation in the major and may be waived or substituted at the discretion of the major department or program. Additional requirements normally may be applied toward a minor. Additional requirements may also be applied toward General Education unless specifically prohibited by the major department.

Core. 1) One of the three main parts of the current General Education Program. 2) A common set of courses within a major or minor that all students are required to complete.

Capstone. Capstone is part of General Education. The courses used to satisfy the Capstone requirement provide an interdisciplinary experience in which the skills and knowledge developed in CORE and BREADTH are integrated and their interrelationships are brought into focus. The Capstone requirement may be met by completing a minimum of six units in specific upper-division, interdisciplinary courses or by completing a minimum of six units in a single cluster

of interrelated upper-division courses from two different departments. Some clusters also have additional restrictions (see *General Education CAPSTONE*).

Concurrent Enrollment. The term *concurrent enrollment* is used to describe several different types of enrollment:

1. **Open University Enrollment.** Nonmatriculated students may enroll in regular CSU, Fresno classes through the Division of Extended Education. (See *Division of Extended Education*.)
2. **Concurrent Enrollment at Other CSU Campuses.** CSU students may attend two CSU campuses simultaneously. This type of enrollment is not often used by CSU, Fresno students because of the distance to other CSU campuses. (See the Registrar for details.)
3. **Concurrent Enrollment at Another (non-CSU) College.** Approval for concurrent enrollment at another college must be obtained from the registrar before the end of the second week of instruction. Transfer credit is not awarded unless permission is obtained. Normally, permission for this kind of concurrent registration is not granted for a class that is offered at CSU, Fresno unless department approval is granted.

Double-Counting. Allowing one course to fulfill two separate requirements concurrently; e.g., allowing one course to fulfill both a major requirement and the upper division writing skills requirement, or allowing one course to fulfill both a major requirement and General Education CORE or BREADTH requirement.

The completion of both General Education and a major is required for a degree. The goal of General Education is to ensure a background that has solid foundations and broad scope. A student's major provides depth in a specific area, some foundations of which are in other disciplines.

