



PROPOSED CHANGES TO MAJOR SPECIFIC DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

DISCUSSION TOPICS

**Graduation
Initiative 2025**

Impaction

**Major Specific
Degree
Requirements**



GRADUATION INITIATIVE 2025

CSU system-wide realignment of services, policies, and programs to the goals of improving time to graduation and closing equity gaps for low-income and underrepresented students.

INCREASE 2 YEAR GRADUATION RATE

2025 GOAL: **49%**

CURRENT RATE: **45.1%**

CLOSE THE 2 YEAR GRADUATION EQUITY GAP

2025 GOAL: **0%**

CURRENT GAP: **3.1%**

IMPACTION

CSULB receives more qualified applications than there are available seats, impaction allows CSULB to maintain services and class sizes by adjusting minimum qualifications

104,000* APPLICATIONS
FOR **9,000** OPEN SEATS

Most common class size is 20-29 students

Advising is mandatory for the first year

Tutoring, counseling widely available through many departments & programs

**COMMITMENT TO LOCAL
AREA REMAINS A PRIORITY**

Local transfer applicants are offered admission if fully qualified

“Local” based on high school of graduation or military status

Long Beach College Promise 2.0 partnership with LBUSD and LBCC

*Total first-time freshman and transfer applicants

MAJOR SPECIFIC DEGREE REQUIREMENTS (MSDR)

MINIMUM ADMISSION QUALIFICATIONS UNIQUE TO EACH MAJOR

Required and recommended courses

Minimum GPA (cumulative, major, suite)

Additional materials (audition, portfolio)

PROPOSED CHANGES WILL IMPROVE TIME TO GRADUATION BY:

Streamlining requirements

Adding variety and choice

Requiring well-articulated courses

HOW WILL MSDR CHANGES AFFECT LOCAL APPLICANTS?

Local transfers must fully satisfy posted major specific degree requirements to benefit from local preference

Local transfer applicants will continue to be offered admission to CSULB if they are fully eligible (Social Work, Music, Dance, and Nursing excluded)

If the proposed changes take effect, local transfer applicants will be asked to complete the new MSDRs to be eligible for local preference



COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Add CECS 174 to Major Preparation Courses

- Computer Engineering major has a very strong applicant pool. This change will strengthen timely graduation.

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Add CECS 174 to Major Preparation Courses

Remove CECS 174 from Additional Recommended Courses

Add CECS 228 and CECS 274 to Additional Recommended Courses

- Computer Science major has a very strong applicant pool. This change will strengthen timely graduation.



COLLEGE OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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HEALTH SCIENCE - COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATION

Add PSY 100 to Major Preparation Courses

Add BIO 205 or BOTH BIO 207 & BIO 208 to Major Preparation Courses

Remove NUTR 132 or RSCH 207 or RSCH 296B from Major Preparation Courses

Remove All Additional Recommended Courses

- These changes will strengthen the applicant pool in Health Science

HEALTH SCIENCE - SCHOOL HEALTH EDUCATION

Add BIO 205 or BOTH BIO 207 & BIO 208 to Major Preparation Courses

Remove NUTR 132 or RSCH 207 or RSCH 296B from Major Preparation Courses

Remove All Additional Recommended Courses

- These changes will strengthen the applicant pool in Health Science

KINESIOLOGY - ALL OPTIONS

Physical Education, Exercise Science, Fitness, Sports Psychology

Remove PSY 100 from Major Preparation Courses

- Eliminating this requirement will strengthen the applicant pool.

SOCIAL WORK

Add BIO 205 or BOTH BIO 207 & BIO 208 to Additional Recommended Courses

- Providing an option to complete any two of the options will strengthen the applicant pool.

COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCE & MATHEMATICS



BIOLOGY B.S. - ALL MAJORS

General Biology, Biology Education, Molecular Cell Biology & Physiology, Organismal Biology (Zoology, Botany, & Ecology)

MARINE BIOLOGY

MICROBIOLOGY

Add BIOL 211 to Major Preparation Courses

Remove BIOL 211 from Additional Recommended Courses

- Biology major has a very strong applicant pool.
- These changes will strengthen timely graduation.
- BIOL 211 is widely offered in the Community Colleges.

COLLEGE OF THE ARTS



ART - PRINTMAKING

Remove ART 149 from Additional Recommended Courses

Remove ART 137 from Additional Recommended Courses

Add ART 287 to Additional Recommended Courses

Add ART 270 to Additional Recommended Courses

- These changes will strengthen timely graduation.

DANCE SCIENCE

Add PSY 100 to Major Preparation Courses

Reduce Suite GPA to 2.0

- These changes will strengthen timely graduation.

FILM & ELECTRONIC ARTS

Narrative Production, Theory/Practice of Cinema

Remove ART 110 from Major Preparation Courses

- Eliminating this requirement will strengthen the applicant pool.

MUSIC B.A. & B.S.

Remove MUS 190 from Additional Recommended Courses

- Eliminating this requirement will strengthen the applicant pool.



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