

Introduction to GST Advising Documents

The following charts show how students completing GST meets most of their GE requirements -- all of the lower division ones except for one lab science course and one math course, as well as the six unit ethnic and non-western requirement.

Note that GST courses satisfy areas of GE and are not equivalent to particular courses. What this means is that if a particular GE course is required for a particular major, although a GST student will have satisfied the area in which the course falls, he or she will still have to take the course if pursuing that particular major. For example, GST students will have satisfied Area D, parts 1 and 2, of GE; but if they are majoring in business they will still have to take Economics 2 and Economics 3 as requirements of the Business major.

Every unit of GST satisfies a requirement of the Liberal Studies major, which is the major for prospective multiple-subject school teachers.

Engineering majors include so many units that the university allows engineering students to cut the number of lower division units required of non-engineering students. Since the GST program is based on the assumption that its students will be meeting normal lower division requirements, GST students who pursue an engineering major will take a minimum of five years to graduate. Nevertheless some students who are planning to be engineering majors do take GST because they want the broad liberal arts background it offers which engineering students do not normally get.

The supplementary transcript information is placed in each GST student's transcript in order to explain to advisors what material is covered in each GST course.