

COURSE SELECTION GUIDE



It is **highly** recommended that you register for your first semester courses at Orange Coast College as soon as possible. Whether you are very clear about your educational goals at OCC or undecided about your major and/or transfer or associate degree options, the following information will **help you choose and register for your FIRST semester courses wisely** before you arrive at OCC.

GENERAL INFORMATION

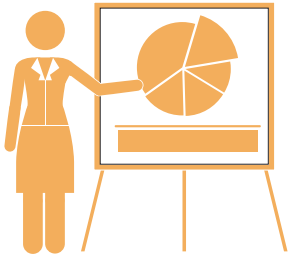
In general, students are required to complete between 60-70 units over a two – three year time period in order to obtain an Associate degree and/or transfer to a four year college.

All course work towards these total units at Orange Coast College will fall within the following three broad categories:

A. General Education (GE) Requirements: These are courses required of everyone to obtain a degree regardless of major. They are designed to provide students with the knowledge, skills, and understanding which will enable them to function as intelligent and creative members of the community. Courses in writing, critical thinking, mathematics, sciences, arts and humanities, and the social sciences are included in general education.

B. Major Requirements: These courses provide background and preparation in order to concentrate on the major. Course requirements for specific majors vary depending on the university to which you wish to transfer. If you plan to pursue a Certificate of Achievement, you may look at the required courses for that specific program on our [on-line course catalog](#). You may then register for the courses that are required for your program. Please note that not all classes are offered during a given semester. You may also enroll in classes that compliment your area of study and/or are listed as electives.

C. Electives: These are courses of your choice taken in addition to courses for the major and general education requirements.



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Please enroll in **12-14 unit of your first semester courses** before you arrive. Below is a list of courses that are recommended for your consideration for the first semester. Please note you may need to adjust your schedule after arriving at OCC.

You should choose:

- (A) one course from English/ESL along with support courses
- (B) one course from Math along with support courses
- (C) one or more courses from general education

Total Units:
12 - 14 units

A. ENGLISH: CHOOSE ONE

English A100 (and support courses)
Or
Appropriate ESL course(s) – Take the [ESL Self Placement](#) to find out which course is appropriate

B. MATH: CHOOSE ONE

Math A100 (and support course Math A090) – This course is for students majoring in liberal arts, such as art, film, music, etc
Or
Math A115 (and support course Math A091) – This course is for students majoring in business administration and economics, etc at SOME universities
Or
Math A120 (and support course Math A092) – This course is for students majoring in science, computer science, engineering, math, business administration, and economics, etc
Or
Math A160 (and support course Math A096) – This course is for students majoring in psychology, sociology, etc

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C. GENERAL EDUCATION

Choose one or more courses from these general education courses. These are courses required of everyone to obtain a degree regardless of major.

ARTS

- ARCHITECTURE A290, A296
- ART A100, A101, A102, A103, A104, A107, A108, A114
- DANCE A200
- FILM A100
- MUSIC A100, A115, A139, A143, A180
- PHOTO A101, A123, A130
- THEATER ARTS A100, A101, A105

HUMANITIES

- CHINESE A180
- COMMUNICATION STUDIES A180
- FRENCH A180
- GERMAN A180
- ITALIAN A180
- JAPANESE A180
- RELIGIOUS STUDIES A100, A110, A115, A120, A130, A140, A150, A180
- SPANISH A180
- VIETNAMESE A180



Note for science, computer science, engineering, math, business administration, economics and other related majors:

You can submit the [math self-report](#) if you believe you should be taking a higher level of math than what is listed on page 1.

MEET WITH A COUNSELOR

See a counselor virtually even before you arrive at Orange Coast College. During your appointment, your counselor will verify the courses in which you have enrolled. Please note that any changes to your registered courses will be done based on availability.

Students coming from High School

Attend a Group Counseling Session. Find dates/times and links to sign up on the [New Student Checklist](#).

Students with prior college experience

Sign up for a one-hour individual counseling appointment. Find the sign up link on the [New Student Checklist](#).