

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

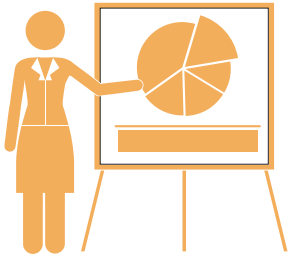
In general, students are required to complete between 60-70 units over a two – three year time period in order to obtain an Associate degree and/or transfer to a four year college.

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** (6-8 units in summer) before you arrive, including at **least 9 units on campus and 9 units at OCC**. 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 C1000 (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) or Math A140 – These courses are for students majoring in business administration and economics, etc at SOME universities

Or

Math A120 (and support course Math A092) or Math A170 or Math A180 – These courses are for students majoring in science, computer science, engineering, math, business administration, and economics, etc

Or

Stat C1000 – This course is for students majoring in psychology, sociology, etc

