

COLLEGE OF THE DESERT GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (COD GE)

2025 - 2026

Students must complete the course requirements as specified in the program of study for the declared major in addition to the general education courses in order to earn an Associate's Degree.

C1. Language and Rationality: 6 units

C1.a English Composition - 3 units

Course Code	Title	Units
ENGL C1000	Academic Reading and Writing	0
ENGL C1000E	Academic Reading and Writing Support	5

C1.b Oral Communication & Critical Thinking - 3 units

Course Code	Title	Units
COMM C1000	Introduction to Public Speaking	3
COMM 005	Survey of Human Communication	3
COMM 009	Intro to Interpersonal Communication	3
COMM 013	Small Group Communication	3
COMM 017	Intercultural Communication	3
COMM 021	Introduction to Persuasion	3
COMM 025	Argumentation and Debate	3
ENG 002	Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking through Literature	4
ENGL C1001	Critical Thinking and Writing Thinking	3
PHIL 010	General Logic	3
SOC 004	Sociological Analysis& Critical Thinking	3

C2. Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning - 3 units

Course Code	Title	Units
BUMA 003	Business Statistics	3
MATH 001A	Calculus	4
MATH 001B	Calculus II	4
MATH 002A	Multivariate Calculus	4
MATH 002B	Linear Algebra	4
MATH 002C	Ordinary Differential Equations	4
MATH 005	Trigonometry	5
MATH 009	Business Calculus	4
MATH 010	College Algebra	4
MATH 011	Math Concepts for Elementary School Teachers - Number Systems	3
MATH 012	Pre-calculus	5
MATH 013	Liberal Arts Math	4
MATH 015	Discrete Mathematics for Computers	4
MATH 016	Finite Mathematics	3
MATH 150	College Algebra for Liberal Arts and Humanities	3
MATH 955	Precalculus & Trigonometry	6

SOC 003	Fundamentals of Statistics	3
STAT C1000	Introduction to Statistics	4

C3. Arts, Humanities, and Culture - 3 units

Course Code	Title	Units
ARCH 014	History of Architecture I	3
ART 003A	Basic Design & Color	3
ART 004	Three-Dimensional Design	3
ART 005A	Beginning Figure Drawing	3
ART 007	Ceramics	3
ART 034	Introduction to Digital Art & Media ¹	3
ARTH 002A	History of Art I: Prehistoric to Medieval	3
ARTH 002B	History of Art II: Renaissance to Contemporary	3
ARTH 002C	History of Modern Art	3
ARTH 010	Understanding Art	3
ARTH 012A	Arts of Asia	3
ARTH 012B	Arts of Africa, Oceania, & Indigenous North America	3
ARTH 012C	Arts of Latin America	3
ARTH 033	History of Photography	3
ASL 001	Elementary American Sign Language I	5
ASL 002	Elementary American Sign Language II	5
ASL 003	Intermediate American Sign Language I	4
ASL 004	Intermediate American Sign Language II	4
CDE 229	Children's Literature ¹	3
DANC 015	History of Dance	3
DDP 100	Introduction to Digital Art & Media ¹	3
ENG 002	Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking through Literature	4
ENG 010A	American Literature I	3
ENG 010B	American Literature II	3
ENG 011A	English Literature I	3
ENG 011B	English Literature II	3
ENG 012A	Global Literature 1	3
ENG 012B	World Literature II	3
ENG 014	Shakespeare	3
ENG 015	The Short Story	3
ENG 017	Literature by Women	3
ENG 018	Poetry CSI	3
ENG 021	Intro Latin American/Chicano Literature	3
ENG 022	Intro to African American Literature	3
ENG 024	Native American Literature	3
ENG 025	Introduction to the Novel	3
ENG 026	LGBTQ+ Literature	3
ENG 035	Myths and Legends	3
ENG 036	Children's Literature ¹	3
FILM 001	Introduction to Film	3
FILM 021	Contemporary World Film	3
FILM 022	American Film to the 1960s	3
FILM 023	Contemporary American Film	3
FR 001	Elementary French I	5
FR 002	Elementary French II	5

FR 003	Intermediate French I	4	COMM 017	Intercultural Communication	3
FR 004	Intermediate French II	4	ECON 001	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
GER 001	Elementary German I	5	ECON 002	Principles of Microeconomics	3
GER 002	Elementary German II	5	ECON 011	International Economics	3
HIST 003	History of World Civilization I	3	ECON 012	Understanding Econ Principles & Applications	3
HIST 004	History of World Civilization II	3	ETHN 001	Introduction to Ethnic Studies	3
HIST 005	History of Western Civilization I	3	ETHN 002	Introduction to Chicanx & Latinx Studies	3
HIST 006	History of Western Civilization II	3	ETHN 003	Introduction to Black Studies	3
HIST 017	US History through Reconstruction	3	ETHN 004	Introduction to Native American Studies	3
HIST 018	US History from Reconstruction to Present	3	ETHN 005	Introduction to Asian American Studies	3
HIST 021	California History	3	GEOG 002	Cultural Geography	3
HIST 023	Latin American History	3	GEOG 007	Regional Geography	3
HIST 050	American Popular Culture	3	GEOG 010	Geography of California	3
JPN 001	Elementary Japanese I	5	GS 010	Global Studies	3
JPN 002	Elementary Japanese II	5	GS 011	Global Issues	3
MUS 005	History of Rock 'n' Roll	3	HIST 003	History of World Civilization I	3
MUS 006	History of Film Music	3	HIST 004	History of World Civilization II	3
MUS 007	History of Musical Theatre ¹	3	HIST 005	History of Western Civilization I	3
MUS 010	Introduction to Music	3	HIST 006	History of Western Civilization II	3
MUS 011	The History of Jazz	3	HIST 017	US History through Reconstruction	3
MUS 012	Fundamentals of Music	3	HIST 018	US History from Reconstruction to Present	3
PHIL 006	Introduction to Philosophy	3	HIST 021	California History	3
PHIL 007	Ideas of the Great Philosophers	3	HIST 023	Latin American History	3
PHIL 012	Religions of the World	3	HIST 050	American Popular Culture	3
PHIL 013	Perspectives on Death & Dying	3	KINE 006	Women's Self Defense, Health & Fitness	3
PHIL 014	Introduction to Ethics	3	KINE 011	Men's Self Defense, Health & Fitness	3
PHIL 017	Philosophy of Religion	3	MC 001	Introduction to Mass Media	3
SPAN 001	Elementary Spanish I	5	PHIL 003	Introduction to Political Theory ¹	3
SPAN 002	Elementary Spanish II	5	PHIL 013	Perspectives on Death & Dying	3
SPAN 003	Intermediate Spanish I	4	POLS C1000	American Government and Politics	3
SPAN 004	Intermediate Spanish II	4	PS 002	Introduction to Comparative Governments	3
SPAN 007	Spanish Conversation and Composition	3	PS 003	Introduction to Political Theory ¹	3
SPAN 020	Latin American Culture and Civilization	3	PS 004	Introduction to International Relations	3
SPAN 021	Spanish for Heritage Speakers I	5	PS 006	Latinx Politics	3
SPAN 022	Spanish for Heritage Speakers II	5	PS 009	Course PS 009 Not Found	3
SPAN 024	Latin American Short Story	4	PSYC C1000	Introduction to Psychology	3
TA 001	Introduction to Theatre	3	PSY 003	Developmental Psychology	3
TA 002	Acting I	3	PSY 007	Positive Psychology	3
TA 007	History of Musical Theatre ¹	3	PSY 009	Psychology of Prejudice and Discrimination	3

C4. Social and Behavioral Sciences - 3 units

Course Code	Title	Units
ANTH 002	Cultural Anthropology	3
ANTH 003	Archaeology, Introduction to Prehistory	3
ANTH 007	Anthropology of Religion, Magic, Witchcraft, and Healing	3
BUMA 032	Human Relations in the Workplace	3
CDE 101	Child Growth & Development	3
CJ 001	Introduction to Criminal Justice	3
CJ 020	Introduction to Social Justice Studies ¹	3
CJ 025	Introduction to Homeland Security & Terrorism	3

PSY 010	Psychological Aspects/Marriage & Family	3
PSY 012	Human Sexuality	3
PSY 020	Adolescent Psychology	3
PSY 023	Psychology of Women and Gender	3
PSY 027	Biological Psychology	3
PSY 029	Abnormal Psychology	3
PSY 030	Social Psychology	3
PSY 033	Personal & Social Adjustment	3
SJS 020	Introduction to Social Justice Studies ¹	3
SJS 021	Introduction to LGBTQIA Studies	3
SOC 001	Introductory Sociology	3
SOC 002	Social Problems	3
SOC 005	Sociology of Gender and Sexuality	3

SOC 006	Introduction to Criminology	3
SOC 009	Sociology of Sport	3
SOC 014	Introduction to Race & Ethnicity	3
SOC 015	Mexican American Culture & Society	3
SPAN 020	Latin American Culture and Civilization	3
SPAN 022	Spanish for Heritage Speakers II	5

C5. Natural Sciences - 3 units

Course Code	Title	Units
A 001	Descriptive Astronomy	3
A 002	Descriptive Astronomy	4
A 003	Planetary Astronomy	4
AGEH 001	Horticulture	3
AGEH 001L	Horticulture Laboratory	1
AGPS 002	Entomology - General & Applied	4
AGPS 005	Plant Science	3
AGPS 005L	Plant Science Lab	1
ANTH 001	Human Evolution: Introduction to Biological Anthropology	3
ANTH 001L	Human Evolution: Introduction to Biological Anthropology Lab	1
BI 004	Elements of Biology	4
BI 005	Molecular and Cell Biology	5
BI 006	Biology of Organisms	5
BI 007	Biology of Mammals	3
BI 007L	Biology of Mammals Lab	1
BI 011	Biology of Viruses	3
BI 013	Human Anatomy and Physiology I	4
BI 014	Human Anatomy and Physiology II	5
BI 015	General Microbiology	5
CH 001A	General Chemistry I	5
CH 001B	General Chemistry II	5
CH 002	Chemistry and Society	3
CH 003	Introductory General Chemistry	4
CH 005	Bio-organic Chemistry	4
CH 007	Fundamentals of Chemistry	5
CH 008	Course CH 008 Not Found	3
CH 010A	Organic Chemistry I	5
CH 010B	Organic Chemistry II	5
G 001	Physical Geology	4
G 002	Historical Geology with Laboratory	4
G 005	Environmental Geology	4
G 010	The Earth Sciences	4
G 022	Introduction to Environmental Sciences	3
GEOG 001	Physical Geography	3
GEOG 001L	Physical Geography Lab	1
NR 001	Conservation of Natural Resources	3
NR 001L	Conservation of Natural Resources Lab	1
PH 001	Introductory Physics	4
PH 002A	College Physics I	4
PH 002B	College Physics II	4
PH 003A	Engineering Physics	4
PH 003B	Engineering Physics	4

PH 003C	Engineering Physics	4
PH 017	Introduction to Meteorology	3
PH 017L	Introduction to Meteorology Lab	1
PH 020A	Physics for Life Sciences Majors I	4
PH 020B	Physics for Life Sciences Majors II	4

C6. Ethnic Studies: 3 units

Course Code	Title	Units
ETHN 001	Introduction to Ethnic Studies	3
ETHN 002	Introduction to Chicanx & Latinx Studies	3
ETHN 003	Introduction to Black Studies	3
ETHN 004	Introduction to Native American Studies	3
ETHN 005	Introduction to Asian American Studies	3

C7. Personal Growth and Development, Health, Activity and Wellness - 2 units

Select one course from the list below or 2 KINE activity based units.

Course Code	Title	Units
BUMA 028	Introduction To Entrepreneurship	3
BUMA 032	Human Relations in the Workplace	3
CDE 101	Child Growth & Development	3
CDE 102	Child, Family, & Community	3
CIS 010	Introduction to Information Systems	4
COLL 001	First Year Seminar	3
COUN 101	Career/Life Planning & Personal Exploration	3
EDUC 001	Introduction to Elementary Classroom Teaching	3
ENG 005A	Introduction to Creative Writing	3
ENTR 001	Introduction to Entrepreneurship	3
HS 013	General Nutrition	3
HS 073	Introduction to Public Health	3
HSAD 001	Introduction to Alcohol & Drug Studies	3
KINE 001	First Aid and Safety	3
KINE 006	Women's Self Defense, Health & Fitness	3
KINE 008	Introduction to Kinesiology	3
KINE 010	Personal & Community Health	3
KINE 011	Men's Self Defense, Health & Fitness	3
PHIL 013	Perspectives on Death & Dying	3
PSY 003	Developmental Psychology	3
PSY 007	Positive Psychology	3
PSY 010	Psychological Aspects/Marriage & Family	3
PSY 012	Human Sexuality	3
PSY 020	Adolescent Psychology	3
PSY 023	Psychology of Women and Gender	3
PSY 030	Social Psychology	3
PSY 033	Personal & Social Adjustment	3

Supplementary notes- See a counselor for more information:

1. A single course, even though listed in more than one area, can only be used to satisfy one General Education requirement.

Footnotes

1. Indicates cross listed courses. Only one course can be taken: ART 034 & DDP 100, ENG 036 & CDE 229, MUS 007 & TA 007, SJS 020 & CJ 020, PS 003 & PHIL 003.