Core Sequence (3 Courses)

All students admitted as first year students will take a three-quarter core sequence titled Culture, Art, and Technology (CAT). CAT is a highly interdisciplinary sequence integrating learning in arts and humanities, social sciences, science, and engineering. Students must complete CAT 1-2-3 in order. The Entry Level Writing Requirement must be completed to enroll in CAT 1. The Sixth College Core Sequence cannot be replaced with college courses taken at other institutions. CAT 1, 2, and 3 should be completed in the first year.

CAT 1 (Fall 4 Units)
CAT 2 (Winter 6 Units)
CAT 3 (Spring 6 Units)

BREADTH REQUIREMENTS (11 courses)

Information Technology Fluency (1 course) — A score of 4 or 5 AP Computer Science A will satisfy this requirement.

- Cognitive Science: COGS 3, 8, 18
- Computational Social Science: CSS 1
- Computer Science and Engineering: CSE 3, 6R, 8A, 11
- Data Science: DSC 10, 20
- Electrical and Computer Engineering: ECE 15
- Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering: MAE 5, 8
- NanoEngineering: NANO/CENG 15
- Structural Engineering: SE 9

Social Analysis (2 Social Science Courses) — A score of 4 or 5 on AP Economics, Government, or Psychology can be used towards satisfying this requirement. Choose two courses from two different academic fields.

- Anthropology: ANAR 100-121A, 165-191; ANBI 100, 132, 159; ANSC 100-125, 136, 145, 160-185; ANTH 1-4, 21, 23, 101-103
- Cognitive Science: COGS 1, 11, 15
- Communication: COMM 10
- Critical Gender Studies: CGS 2A, 2B, 105, 112, 114, 117, 120, 137, 147, 150, 165, 187
- Economics: ECON 1-3
- Education Studies: EDS 25, 117, 125, 126
- Ethnics Studies: ETHN 1-3, 20, 100-189
- International Studies: INTL 101, 102
- Latin American Studies: LATI 10, 50, 150
- Linguistics: LIGN 3, 4, 7, 8, 101, 105, 174, 175, 177
- Management, Rady School of: MGT 16, 18, 166
- Political Science: POLI 10/10D-13/13D, 100A-170A
- Psychology: PSYC 1-7, 101-110, 114-191
- Sociology: SOCI 1, 2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 70, 100-189
- Urban Studies and Planning: USP 2, 3

Narrative, Aesthetic and Historical Reasoning (2 Humanities Courses) — A score of 3, 4, or 5 on AP Art History, History, Foreign Language, or Literature (non-English) can be used towards satisfying this requirement.

- African American Studies: AAS 10
- Critical Gender Studies: CGS 108, 119
- Global South Studies: GSS 21-26, 132
- History: HILD 2A-2C, 7A-7C, 10-12, 14, 30; HI 100-189
- Jewish Studies: JWSP 1-3, 110, 130, 131
- Linguistics: Any Linguistics course taught in languages other than English (except LIDS)
- Literature: LT** 1-189 (except LTWR) and/or any Literature course taught in languages other than English
- Music: MUS 4, 6-18, 111, 114, 115, 127, 150
- Philosophy: PHIL 1, 13-15, 26, 31-33, 35, 148, 160-164, 170
- Religion, Study of: RELI 1, 2, 101, 148, 149
- Theatre and Dance: TDGE 1, 10, 11, 25, 124-126; TDHD 20, 21, 175, 176; TDHT 10, 21-23, 103, 107, 109, 114
- Visual Arts: VIS 20-22, 84, 120A-C, 121AN, 121B, 122AN-CN, 122D, 124BN-CN, 125A, 125BN, 125DN, 126AN-BN, 126I-K, 128A-E, 158, 159

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○ Analytic Methodologies/Scientific Method (2 Science Courses) – A score of 3, 4, or 5 on AP Biology, Chemistry, or Physics 1, 2, or C; or a score of 4 or 5 on AP Environmental Science can be used towards satisfying this requirement.

Biology: BILD 1-3, 7-38  
Cognitive Science: COGS 17, 107A  
Chemistry: CHEM 4, 6A-6C, 6AH-6CH, 11-13  
Physics: PHYS 1A/1AL-1C/1CL, 2A-2C, 4A-4E, 5-13  
Scripps Institution of Oceanography: SIO 1-50  
Environmental Studies: ENVR 102  
Environmental Systems: ESYS 10

○ Exploring Data (1 Statistics Course) – A score of 3, 4, or 5 on AP Statistics satisfies this requirement.

Bioengineering: BENG 100, 134  
Biology: BIEB 100  
Chemical Engineering: CENG 100, 114  
Cognitive Science: COGS 14B, 109  
Computer Science and Engineering: CSE 103  
Economics: ECON 120A  
Electrical and Computer Engineering: ECE 109  
Human Developmental Science: HDS 60  
Management, Rady School of: MGT 3  
Mathematics: MATH 11, 180A, 183, 186  
Mechanical Engineering: MAE 108  
NanoEngineering: NANO 114  
Political Science: POLI 5/5D, 30/30D  
Psychology: PSYC 60  
Scripps Institution of Oceanography: SIO 187  
Sociology: SOCI 60  
Structural Engineering: SE 125

○ Structured Reasoning (1 Math/Logic Course) – A score of 3, 4, or 5 on AP Calculus AB or BC exam satisfies this requirement.

Linguistics: LIGN 17  
Mathematics: MATH 4C, 10A-10C, 20A-20C  
Philosophy: PHIL 10, 12

○ Art Making (8 units) – A score of 3, 4, or 5 on AP Art Studio or Music can be used towards satisfying this requirement.

Communication: COMM 101, 102T  
Literature: LTEN 192, LTWR 8A-8C, 100-129  
Mechanical Engineering: MAE 7  
Theater and Dance: TDAC 1, 101; TDDE 1, 101, 111, 122, 121, 131; TDOR 101, 111; TDGE 5, 50, 89; TDDM 1, 5, 100, 101; TDMV 1-3, 11, 110-190; TDPW 1, 101, 102, 104  
Visual Arts: VIS 1-3, 60, 70N, 80, 105D, 147A, 174

UPPER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS (2 courses)

○ Practicum Course/Project (4 units)

The Sixth College Practicum is an upper-division, four-unit general education requirement that embodies the college’s commitment to active, hands-on experiential learning. Students enroll in courses that have a service-learning or community-based component to the curriculum such as an internship, research project, or study abroad program in order to develop both their academic and professional skills. It is an opportunity for students to integrate theory and practice by making connections between classroom learning and community experiences, both locally and abroad. Many Practicum options require students to submit a proposal the quarter before they begin their Practicum project. Visit http://sixth.ucsd.edu/elp/index.html for more information.

○ CAT 125/125R: Public Rhetoric and Practical Communication (4 units)

CAT 125 is an upper-division composition course in public rhetoric and practical communication, including oral presentation, academic writing in print formats, and digital content-creation. Visit http://sixth.ucsd.edu/cat/courses/index.html for more information.

Courses offered by the major department can overlap with General Education requirements.