

Make a smooth transition to success at Cal State Northridge

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Fall 2014 – Upper Division GE Course Sections for New Transfer Students

In Fall 2014, California State University, Northridge will offer **special sections of six popular upper-division General Education (GE) courses reserved exclusively for new transfer students.**

The sections will combine traditional course content with assignments and information about the University as an institution, a culture and an intellectual experience. The courses introduce academic and co-curricular resources and link students to each other and to the campus community.

Taking one of these courses, reserved just for new transfer students, will help you make a smooth transition to the University and enhance your academic experience.

Eligibility

If you are a new transfer student who has successfully completed **60 or more units** including the four basic subjects before being admitted to CSUN, you are eligible to enroll in one or more of the special course sections below.

Course Sections

Each of the course sections listed below provides 3 units of academic credit. Some courses are not offered every semester, so you may want to take advantage of them now to satisfy upper-division GE requirements. Please see "How to Register" below for enrollment information and course descriptions.

Course	Class #	Title	Day and Time	GE Section
Art ART 315 (HYBRID)	10357	World Perspectives in Art History	M 1100-1215; W on-line	Comparative Cultural Studies
Communication Studies COMS 356	10748	Intercultural Communication	Th 1900-2145	Comparative Cultural Studies
Family and Consumer Sciences FCS 340	17755	Marriage and Family Relations	Tu 1900-2145	Lifelong Learning
Political Science POLS 355	12437	Amer. National, State and Loc. Govt.	TuTh 1400-1515	Title V
Psychology PSY 365	12315	Introduction to Gerontology	MW 800-915	Social Sciences
Religious Studies R S 304	13649	Women and Religion	MW 930-1045	Art and Humanities

How to Register

1. In May or thereafter, you will receive a Fall 2014 **Registration Access Mailer** that includes your registration appointment. Your appointment also displays in **myNorthridge Portal > My Checklist**. For registration dates, see the Semester Bulletin at www.csun.edu/anr/bulletin

You are strongly encouraged to meet with the academic advisor in the College of your major before enrolling in classes. University rules will differ from those at your transfer institution.

- To locate the advisor in your academic department, visit www.csun.edu/academic
- To prepare for advisement, see the Fall 2014 Transfer Student Checklist at <http://www.csun.edu/undergraduate-studies/first-time-transfer-advising-checklist>. Review the prerequisites for the course(s) you want to take in the descriptions below. Be sure to satisfy the prerequisites *before* enrolling in the course. Enrollment in any of these upper-division GE courses requires you to have completed your lower division writing requirement.

To enroll in **PSY 365**, you should have already completed an introductory psychology course at your transfer institution. Check www.assist.org to see if the class will transfer to CSUN as a PSY 150 equivalent.

2. You can register in classes on your own, but first check the **Degree Planning Guide** for your major and catalog year (2013) at <http://catalog.csun.edu/plans/>. The suggested sequence of courses in these plans will streamline your path to graduation, saving time and money.

To add classes, log into **myNorthridge** with your CSUN User ID and Password. From the **Home** tab in the **Quick Links** box, click **Register for Classes**. See the **Add a Class** tutorial at www.csun.edu/anr/soc/guides.

Have this flyer handy to look up the class quickly by entering its five-digit *Class Number* on the **Select Classes to Add** page. No permission numbers are required. The registration system will recognize you as a new transfer student and allow you to enroll in the classes listed here.

3. Pay your tuition and other **fees** on time. To view payment due dates, fees and related information, visit the University Cash Services website at <http://www.csun.edu/stufin>, or call (818) 677-8000, option 3.
4. To learn about student loans, grants, scholarships, work study and more, visit the Cal State Northridge Financial Aid and Scholarships website at www.csun.edu/financialaid.

Course Descriptions

ART 315 – World Perspectives in Art History (3) Prerequisite: Completion of the lower-division writing requirement. An introduction to the analysis of art in the context of world cultures. Illustrated lectures explore the artistic responses to universal human needs and experiences: food and shelter, identity, community and death. Art majors may take this course for university elective credit.

COMS 356 – Intercultural Communication (3) Prerequisite: Completion of the lower division writing requirement. Cultural factors in interpersonal communication, such as perception, roles, language codes, and nonverbal communication. Students will apply and evaluate theories of intercultural communication. (IC)

FCS 340 – Marriage and Family Relations (3) Prerequisite: Completion of the lower-division writing requirement. Interpersonal and intrapersonal relationships of courtship, marriage, and family living; the importance of these relationships in solving current issues concerning the quality of family life.

POLS 355 – American National, State, and Local Governments (3) Not open to students who have taken POLS 155 [or its equivalent]. Detailed study of the structures and functions of the national government and California state and local governments. Special attention is given to the legislative and executive branches in the policy-making and administrative processes as well as the constitutional bases for these processes. Satisfies the Title V United States Constitution requirement and the California State and local governments requirement.

PSY 365 – Introduction to Gerontology (3) Prerequisites: PSY 150 and completion of the lower-division writing requirement. Recommended preparation: PSY 301. Analysis of the physical, cognitive, social and emotional changes from puberty to adulthood. Study of the changes occurring with age as a result of alterations in physical conditions, economic status, role changes, etc. and the accompanying psychological effects. Students may engage in volunteer activities or advocacy work in community agencies for persons over 55, or in research in memory, quality of life issues, physical health, exercise, etc. This course may be used to fulfill the 300-level Developmental Psychology Cluster Requirement for Psychology majors. (IC)

R S 304 – Women and Religion (3)

Examination of religious views of women in oral and literary cultures, focusing on the roles, symbols, and concepts of women within an international, historical framework. Also addresses women's own perspectives on religion, as reflected in historical sources and in contemporary theology and religious life. (An Information Competence course. (IC)