NOTE: These requirements apply to all students. Students planning to graduate from one of the 23 campuses of the California State University must complete 48 semester units in general education breadth courses. A student may complete 39 units of general education at either college in the Rancho Santiago Community College District prior to transfer. Nine semester units of general education coursework must be completed at the upper division level after transfer.

CERTIFICATION OF GENERAL EDUCATION
1. Santa Ana College is authorized to certify a maximum of 39 general education units.
2. No more than 30 semester units may be certified for areas B through D combined, which are described in the next section.
3. Pass/No Pass grades are accepted for certification in all areas; however, they are not recommended for transfer credit in basic skill areas. (A. Communication in the English Language and Critical Thinking, A1, A2, and A3, and B. The Physical Universe and its Life Forms, B4.) In addition, letter grades may be recommended or required for specific courses in a given major. Each CSU campus may also limit the total number of units graded credit.
4. A single course may not meet more than one general education requirement.
5. Requests for certification should be made to the Office of Admissions and Records during the semester prior to the last term of attendance. Please consult the class schedule or the Counseling Department for deadline information.
6. Certification of coursework from other colleges will be granted to students whose last community college of attendance is a transfer to Santa Ana.
7. Courses taken at other California Community Colleges will be applied to the subject area in which they were listed by the institution where the course was completed.
8. Courses taken at other regionally accredited private/out of state institutions (which do not maintain a CSU certification list) will be placed in the subject areas for which Santa Ana College has equivalent courses. In some cases non-equivalent courses may also be considered. Consult a counselor for additional information. Courses completed at foreign institutions are not acceptable for certification.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The list of certifiable courses will be subject to change year by year, but students are assured that courses taken to meet general education-breadth requirements will be honored if they are approved for the academic year in which they are taken. Courses on this list are approved beginning Fall 2015 and are valid through Summer 2016.

TRANSFER CREDIT
1. Students may transfer up to 70 semester units to the CSU system. Sixty transferable units are needed for junior standing.
2. All courses used for CSU transfer credit must be numbered 100 or above in the Santa Ana College catalog.

A. English Language Communication and Critical Thinking (minimum 9 semester/12 quarter units)
The 9 units selected from this area must include at least one course each from A1, A2, and A3. Each course must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. (C minus is not acceptable.)
A1: Oral Communication
  Communication Studies 101 or 101H, 102, 103 or 103H, 140, 145
A2: Written Communication
  English 101 or 101H
A3: Critical Thinking
  Communication Studies 140
  Counseling 144
  English 102 or 102H and 102H not accepted in A3 if completed prior to Fall 2011, 103 or 103H
  Philosophy 110 or 110H, 111
  Reading 150

B. Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning (minimum 9 semester/12 quarter units)
The 9 units selected from this area must include at least one course each from B1, B2, and B4. The 9 units must also include a corresponding lab component. (Lab classes are in bold.) Courses in B4 must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. (C minus is not acceptable.)
B1: Physical Science
  Astronomy 109, 110 or 110H
  Chemistry 109, 115, 119, 209, 210, 219 or 219H
  Earth Science 110 or 115H, 150 or 150H
  Environmental Studies 140
  Geology 101
  Geology 140, 150 or 150H, 201
  Physical Science 115, 117
  Physics 109, 210, 211, 217, 279
B2: Life Science
  Anthropology 101
  Biology 109 or 109H, 111, 115, 139, 149, 177, 211, 212, 214, 219, 239, 259
  Environmental Studies 259
B3: Laboratory Activity
  Anthropology 101L
  Astronomy 104
  Biology 109H, 111, 115, 139, 149, 211, 212, 214, 219, 239, 259
  Chemistry 109, 115, 209, 210, 219 or 219H
  Earth Science 115
  Environmental Studies 259
  Geography 101L
  Geology 101L or 201
  Physics 109, 210, 211, 217, 279
  Physical Science 115, 116
B4: Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning
  Courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better.
  Mathematics 105, 140, 145, 150, 160, 170, 180 or 180H, 204, 219 or 219H, 280
  Psychology 210
  Social Science 219 or 219H
C. Arts and Humanities (minimum 9 semester/12 quarter units)
  This area must include one course from C1 and one course from C2.
C1: Arts, Culture, Cinema, Dance, Music, Theatre
  Art 100 or 100H, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 108
  Communications & Media Studies 103
  Dance 100 or 100H, 102, 105
  English 225A, 225B, 225C
  Interdisciplinary Studies 121
  Music 101 or 102, 102H, 103, 104, 111, 112
  Photography 150
  Television/Videocommunications 103, 104
  Theatre Arts 100, 105
C2: Humanities: Literature, Philosophy, Languages Other Than English
  Chinese 101, 102
  French 101, 102, 201 or 201H, 202 or 202H
  History 101 or 101H, 102 or 102H, 150, 151, 153, 163
  Interdisciplinary Studies 200
  Italian 121, 122
  Japanese 101, 102
  Kinesiology, Professional 170
  Philosophy 106 or 106H, 108, 112, 118
  Sign Language 110, 111, 112, 116
  Spanish 101 or 101H, 102 or 102H, 195A, 195B, 201 or 201H, 202 or 202H
  Vietnamese 101, 102
D. Social Sciences (minimum 9 semester/12 quarter units)
  The 9 units selected from this area must include courses from at least 2 different subareas.
D1: Anthropology and Archeology
  Anthropology 100 or 100H, 103, 104 or 104H, 105, 125
  English 104 or 104H
  History 102, 125
D2: Economics
  Economics 120, 121
D3: Ethnic Studies
  Anthropology 125
  Asian American Studies 101