

GENERAL COURSE INFORMATION

Offering of Courses

Described in the Catalog

Occasionally there may be changes concerning course numbers, titles, units of credit, prerequisites, hours, or course descriptions made after publication of the Catalog. Efforts will be made through the Schedules of Classes, public media, and at the time of registration, to notify students of any changes other than as described in the Catalog.

All degree applicable courses listed in the Catalog meet major, area of emphasis, general education, or elective credit requirements for approved degree, certificate, or proficiency programs. The College will make every effort to regularly offer each of the credit courses listed under the Course and Program Descriptions. "Regularly offered" shall mean a frequency of not less than once in two years.

The student who plans to satisfy the requirements for a particular academic goal — such as a Certificate of Achievement, an Associate Degree, and/or the completion of courses necessary to prepare for transfer into a baccalaureate major — must carefully plan a program of study to complete all requirements in a timely fashion. The student may consult with appropriate instructional divisions to determine the frequency of course offerings.

Listed in the Schedule of Classes

The College reserves the right to cancel any course section scheduled for any term if enrollment is insufficient.

Course Discipline Abbreviations

Courses listed below are offered as a regular part of established curricula or when demand warrants. The current class schedule should be consulted to determine the availability of specific courses.

Subject	Title
ACCT	Accounting
ANAT	Anatomy
ANPH	Anatomy and Physiology
ANSC	Animal Science
ANTH	Anthropology
ART	Art
ARTH	Art History
AST	Astronomy
BIOL	Biology
BIOT	Biotechnology
BOT	Botany
BUS	Business
CD	Child Development
CHEM	Chemistry
CHIN	Chinese
CJ	Criminal Justice
CNSE	Computer Networking Systems Engineering
COL	College Strategies

COMM	Communication Studies
COUN	Counseling
CS	Computer Science
DANC	Dance
DES	Design
EATM	Exotic Animal Training Management
ECON	Economics
EDU	Education
EMT	Emergency Medical Technician
ENGL	English
ENGR	Engineering
ENSC	Environmental Science
ESL	English as a Second Language
ETHS	Ethnic Studies
FREN	French
FTMA	Film Television Media Arts
GAME	Game Design
GEOG	Geography
GEOL	Geology
GERM	German
GIS	Geographic Information Systems
GR	Graphics
HED	Health Education
HIST	History
HOSP	Hospitality
HS	Health Science
HUM	Humanities
ICA	Intercollegiate Athletics
ITAL	Italian
JAPN	Japanese
JOUR	Journalism
KIN	Kinesiology
LAT	Latin
LS	Learning Skills
MAKR	MakerSpace
MATH	Mathematics
MICR	Microbiology
MM	Multimedia
MUS	Music
NS	Nursing Science
NTS	Nutrition
PHIL	Philosophy
PHOT	Photography
PHSC	Physical Science
PHSO	Physiology
PHTC	Commercial Photography
PHYS	Physics
POLS	Political Science
PSY	Psychology
RADT	Radiologic Technology
RBT	Registered Behavior Technician
SOC	Sociology

SPAN	Spanish
THA	Theatre Arts
TTHA	Technical Theatre
WEXP	Work Experience
ZOO	Zoology

Course Identification

Course identification is comprised of the course discipline name or abbreviated name (prefix) and course number (for example, CJ M01 Introduction to Criminal Justice (Units: 3)). All course numbers for Moorpark College will have a leading M (for Moorpark) preceding the actual course number. Courses numbered 1 (one) through 9 (nine) will also have a leading zero preceding the actual number. Sometimes an alphabetic character is appended to the course identification (for example, ART M20 Two-Dimensional Design (Units: 3)).

Courses requiring a year (two semesters) in which to complete the full offering may be designated by number and letter (for example, PHYS M10A General Physics I (Units: 4)-PHYS M10B General Physics II (Units: 4)). The A section of the course is usually offered in the fall semester with the B section following in the spring; however, some year-sequence courses begin in the spring semester.

The alphabetical designation in the course identification may also be used to designate the related topics of a year-long course (for example, CNSE M85A Cybersecurity of IOS Networks (Units: 3)-CNSE M85B Cisco Fundamentals of PIX Firewalls (Units: 3)); in this instance, the A course would not be a prerequisite to the B course and/or subsequent courses.

Semester Unit Credit

The semester unit credit of the course is shown by a number(s) following the title of the course. As defined by Title 5, section 55002.5, the semester unit is based on three hours of work study; one lecture hour with two attendant hours of preparation or three hours of laboratory activity requiring special facilities or equipment.

Most courses have fixed units; few have variable units. The unit value of each variable-unit course will be specified in the Schedule of Classes each term. In certain instances, to best serve students in summer term and in evening classes, the hours of instruction in some variable courses may be reduced and credit reduced proportionately.

Prerequisites

A condition of enrollment that a student is required to meet in order to demonstrate current readiness for enrollment in a course or educational program. The prerequisite ensures that students will achieve skills or knowledge necessary for success in a course or program. For example, a course might require completion of an English course (or placement into English at a specific level) before the student may enroll in a Philosophy course that requires high level reading and writing skills. For example, a student enrolling in general biology is likely to have serious difficulty without adequate preparation in intermediate algebra and introduction to chemistry.

Some prerequisites are required by state statute or regulation. Prerequisites on transferable courses are often determined by four-year institutions which may require specific prerequisites in order to award credit for these courses.

Corequisite

A condition of enrollment consisting of a course which a student is required to take simultaneously in order to enroll and succeed in another course. The student acquires the necessary skills, concepts, and/or information in the corequisite course that supports success in the target course. Since the corequisite course provides skills or knowledge necessary for successful completion of another course, it is highly unlikely that the student can achieve a satisfactory grade in the course for which the corequisite is being established without the skills and knowledge provided in the corequisite course.

Recommended Preparation

A condition of enrollment that a student is advised, but not required, to meet before or in conjunction with enrollment in a course or educational program. While encouraged to do so, students are not required to satisfy recommended preparation guidelines to enroll in a course.

Course prerequisites, corequisites or recommended preparation are specified within course descriptions announced in the Catalog and the Schedule of Classes. Students are expected to have completed the prerequisite course with a satisfactory grade of C or better or P (Pass) and if applicable be enrolled in the corequisite required of all courses in which they enroll.

Limitations

Conditions of enrollment that a student must meet before enrollment in a course or educational program. The college will only restrict enrollment in a course when the restriction is specifically required by statute or legislation, by prerequisites and/or corequisites, or by health and safety considerations. Other limitations can include facility limitations, faculty availability, funding limitations or other constraints imposed by code, regulations or contracts. The college can provide special registration assistance to the disabled or disadvantaged student. And, the college can enroll students in accordance with a priority system adopted by the local Board of Trustees (e.g., CD M12 Early Childhood Education Teaching Practicum (Units: 2). Requires proof of TB clearance.).

Course Identification Numbering System C-ID

The Course Identification Numbering System (C-ID) is a statewide numbering system independent from the course numbers assigned by local California community colleges. A C-ID number next to a course signals that participating California colleges and universities have determined that courses offered by California community colleges are comparable in content and scope to courses offered on their own campuses, regardless of their unique titles or local course number. (e.g., CD M02 Human Development: Infancy through Adolescence (Units: 3) C-ID: CDEV: 100)

For further information, please refer to C-ID information on page 72-73 and <http://www.c-id.net>.

Courses Designated as Repeatable

A statement following the course description noting the repeatability of a course will specify the number of times an active participatory course or courses can be repeated. Students shall be permitted to enroll in no more than four semesters in an active participatory course. In physical education, visual arts or performing arts that are "related in content" to other courses (Title 5, §55000(l)) of the courses that are similar in content.

Courses are related in content when the courses have "similar primary educational activities in which skill levels or variations are separated into

distinct courses with different student learning outcomes for each level or variation." Moorpark College has defined courses related in content as a "family of courses" for the following disciplines: Art, Dance, Kinesiology, Music and Theatre Arts. For more information refer to Appendix XIII (<http://catalog.vcccd.edu/moorpark/appendices/appendix-xviii/>).

Co-designated, Cross-listed, or Same as Courses

The College offers some of its courses as co-designated, cross-listed, or same-as between two or more disciplines. Where this occurs, all aspects of the co-designated courses are identical, except the course identifier (course discipline abbreviation) and possibly the course numbers and/or alpha characters following the discipline abbreviation, which may be identical or may differ. All other aspects are the same (title, units, hours, description, repeat capability, transferability, etc.). These courses are identified in the Course and Program Descriptions section of the Catalog. Courses which are co-designated or cross-referenced are identified by the phrase "Same as . . ."

Courses Offered on a Pass/No Pass Basis Only

By far, most of the courses offered by the college are offered for a letter grade. Students enrolled in these courses have the right to petition to be evaluated on a pass/no pass (P/NP) basis; interested students should consult the Academic Policies section of this Catalog. For courses that are offered exclusively on a P/NP basis (letter grade not possible) are so noted following the course description. All other courses without this notation are offered for a letter grade unless the student successfully petitions otherwise.

Courses Not Applicable For Degree Credit

The majority of courses offered by the College are applicable for degree credit and is noted with "Applies to Associate Degree" following the course description. Courses that are not applicable for degree credit are also noted following the course description with the notation of "Does NOT apply to Associate Degree". Students enrolled in these courses will receive unit credit and will be awarded an academic record symbol on transcripts as defined in the Academic Policies section of this Catalog. However, the units earned in courses will not apply toward Proficiency Awards, Certificates of Achievement, or Associate degrees.

Transfer Course Identification

Courses offered by Moorpark College provide a wide selection of curricula that meet the requirements for most university majors. To assist students in planning their programs of study, all credit courses offered by Moorpark College are classified as follows:

1. No notation of transfer credit following the course description indicates that the course is not designed to transfer to public (and most independent) four-year colleges or universities.
2. The notation of transfer credit after the course description is followed by the abbreviation CSU meaning that the course will transfer to any of the 23 campuses of the California State University (Channel Islands, Northridge, etc.) and/or is followed by the abbreviation UC meaning that the course will transfer to any of the 10 campuses of the University of California (Santa Barbara, UCLA, etc.)
3. The notation of transfer credit is defined to mean that the course is acceptable for unit credit for admissions purposes and for credit towards a baccalaureate degree only. Students interested in the applicability of particular courses for use in satisfaction of major preparation requirements and/or general education requirements are advised to consult the transfer information section of the Catalog and a Moorpark College counselor.
4. The notation of credit limitations following the transfer credit statement indicates that one or more public four-year institutions impose some kind of limitation on the course. In this case, consult your counselor concerning the transferability of the course.

Additional transfer information is available from the Counseling Office or the www.assist.org (<http://www.assist.org>) website.

Field Trips

Field trips are required activities for a number of courses in the College curriculum. For any such courses, it is intended that they be clearly identified in the College Catalog and the Schedule of Classes. For other courses, a field trip or an off-campus activity may be optional for the students enrolled.

According to policy adopted by the College District's governing board, all persons making any type of field trip or excursion shall be deemed to have waived all claims for injury, accident, illness, or death during, or by reason of, the field trip or excursion.

The College assumes no liability for students' personal property. This includes course or related College activities, on campus, at off-campus facilities, and college-sponsored field trips.