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## Amendments to Title 5: Ethnic Studies

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## Ethnic Studies

§ 40405.1. California State University General Education –  
Breadth Requirements

(6) A minimum of 3 semester units or 4 quarter units at the lower-division in study designed to understand ethnic studies ~~and social justice.~~

## Preparing for Fall 2021

### Progress Update

- Stakeholder meetings
- Draft CSU policy shared for feedback
- Core competencies developed by the Ethnic Studies Council, endorsed by the Academic Senate and accepted by the CSUCO
- Ethnic Studies website launched

## Meeting the Spirit and Letter of AB 1460

- “...special focus on four historically defined racialized core groups...”
- “...become a general education requirement throughout the California State University system.”
- “Commencing with the 2021-22 academic year...shall provide for courses in ethnic studies at each of its campuses.”



## Creating a Pathway for All Students

### The Need for a GE Requirement

- "...a general education curriculum is a reflection of what an institution values"
- Creates clarity and consistency for all students
- Follows precedent of systemwide requirements placed in general education
- Appropriately placed in lower division as a requirement intended for introduction to Ethnic Studies

## Key Milestones



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