The USD Core Curriculum includes four curricular areas: **Competencies, Explorations, Foundations and Integration.** While the IGETC certification cannot substitute the Core in its entirety, USD accepts courses approved for certain IGETC areas in place of corresponding Core requirements. For additional information, current USD students should contact their academic advisor. Prospective students should contact **admissions@sandiego.edu.**

Core Attribute	Notes
First-Year Writing (CFYW), 3 units	IGETC area 1B: Critical Thinking/English Composition.
Mathematical Reasoning (CMRP), 3 units	IGETC 2A: Mathematical Concept and Quantitative Reasoning. **Only courses that do not contain "statistics" or "data" in the title.**
Second Language (CSLA), 3rd semester competency	Fulfilled by successful completion of a third-semester or higher second language course taught in the second language. If a third-semester or higher course taught in the second language has not been completed, the appropriate next course is determined by a language placement exam. If this level of competency has not been demonstrated, an individual course evaluation by the department chair is required.
Advanced Writing (CADW)*, 1 course	IGETC does not include a corresponding area; individual course evaluation is required. Students should consult the list of courses already approved before making an inquiry.
Oral Communication (CORL)*, 1 course	IGETC 1C: Oral Communication.
Quantitative Reasoning (CQUR)*, 1 course	IGETC 2A: Mathematical Concept and Quantitative Reasoning **(only courses that contain "statistics" in the title).**
Historical Inquiry (EHSI), 3 units	IGETC 4F: History.
Literary Inquiry (ELTI), 3 units	IGETC 3B: Humanities taught in an English or Literature department **with literature or literary study in the course title. Courses devoted to film studies, composition, or creative writing will not be approved** for ELTI. Courses with an emphasis on literature taught in other departments can be submitted for individual review.
Artistic Inquiry (EARI), 3 units	IGETC 3A: Arts.
Scientific and Technological Inquiry (ESTI), 3-4 units	IGETC 5A: Physical Science or 5B: Biological Science. If a course in 5A or 5B does not include a lab, one corresponding lab course from section 5C must be completed at the same time as the lecture from 5A or 5B.
Social and Behavioral Inquiry (ESBI), 3 units	IGETC 4: Social and Behavioral Sciences (4, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E, 4G, 4H, 4I, 4J), **except 4F: History.**

Competencies

Explorations

Core Attribute	Notes
Foundations	
Theological and Religious Inquiry (FTRI), 6 units (3 lower/3 upper-division)	Because IGETC does not include a corresponding area, individual course evaluation is required. Students should consult the list of <u>courses already approved</u> before making an inquiry. Courses must satisfy FTRI learning outcomes, including a critical understanding of Catholic Christianity and attention to theory and method in the study of religion.
Philosophical Inquiry (FPHI), 3 units	Fulfilled by courses outlined in IGETC 3B: Humanities taught within a Philosophy department (**only courses that do not include "ethics," "values," "moral," "logic," and/or "critical thinking" in the title.**)
Ethical Inquiry (FETI), 3 units	IGETC 3B: Humanities (**only courses that do include "ethics" in the title**).
Diversity, Inclusion, Social Justice (DISJ)*, 2 courses	Because IGETC does not include a corresponding area, individual course evaluation is required. Students should consult the list of <u>courses already approved</u> before making an inquiry. <u>Find out more information about DISJ.</u>
Integration	
Introductory Integration (CINL)*, 1 course	Must be completed at USD.
Advanced Integration (CINT)*, 1 course	Must be completed at USD.

***<u>Flagged courses</u>** are not unit-bearing courses and may provide credit toward your major while also satisfying a Core requirement. Flagged attributes are attached to various courses. Multiple flagged attributes may be attached to a single course.

IMPORTANT

- **Transfer courses that qualify for more than one unit-bearing Core Attribute can be used to fulfill only one Core requirement (for example, a 3-unit Philosophy course approved for IGETC Area 1B: Humanities and IGETC Area 4: Social and Behavioral Sciences may satisfy either Philosophical Inquiry or Social and Behavioral Inquiry, but cannot be used to fulfill both requirements since 6 units total are needed).**

- **There is no limit to the number of transferrable core units completed before students start taking classes at USD.**

- **Once students begin taking classes at USD, if they are declared under catalog year 2021-22 and beyond, the maximum number of transfer units they can apply to the Core Curriculum is 10. Students may transfer a maximum of 18 total units once they begin taking classes at USD.**