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Three courses from three separate areas:
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A. Literature
ENGL 301 Themes in Literature (Juniors and Seniors only)

B. Visual Art
ARTH 107 Hist/American Art, ARTH 115 Hist/West Art I, ARTH 116 Hist/West Art II, ARTH 278 Hist/Women Artists

C. Music

D. Language & Culture

This option may only be met through an approved college-level language and culture course. Demonstrated language proficiency will not be applied to meet this requirement. The selected language must be different from the language used to meet requirement VIII: Foreign Language.

Section V: Science

Two courses, at least one with a lab (bolded courses):
- One course from Area A
- One course from Area B

A. Physical Science
ASTR 115 Astronomy, CHEM 101 Intro Chemistry, CHEM 102 Survey of Org Chem, CHEM 111 Gen Chem I, GEOL 233 Geology, PHYS 105 Intro to Physics (no lab), PHYS 105 +106L Intro to Physics + Lab, PHYS 111 Gen Physics I, PHYS 211 Physics w/ Calculus I

B. Life & Environmental Science
BIOL 101 Human Anatomy, BIOL 102 Human Physiology, BIOL 105 Intro to Biology, BIOL 111 Biol Foundations, BIOL 112 Biol Foundations, BIOL 113 Biol Foundations, BIOL 227 Natural Hist of California (lab optional), BIOL 338 Field Biology, CHEM 481 Biochem I, ENVR 360 Consrv Biology, ENVR 361 Energy/Climate, ENVR 362 Pollution/Env Qual, MICR 134 Microbiology

Section VI: Health and Fitness

A. Health
- One course from the following:
  FDNT 235 Nutrition, HLED 162 Fitness for Life, HLED 166 Health Ed, HLED 169 Curr Hlth Concerns

B. Fitness
- One ESAC-A (Exercise Science Activity-Aerobic) Course
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Section VII: Practical and Applied Arts

Two courses from two separate areas:
- One course from area A, B, C, or D (separate area)
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A. Interpersonal Skills
COMM 223 Interpers Comm, COMM 326 Adv Pub Spk, PSYC 126 Assert Behav, PSYC 227 Conflict Resolution

B. Management of Information & Finance
ACCT 121 Accounting, BUAD 118 Prsntl Money Mgmt, BUAD 223 Personal Law, INFS 146 Spreadsheets, INFS 147 Word Processing, INFS 240 Intro to GIS, MGMT 160 Small Business Management

C. Outdoor and Survival Skills
AGRI 212 Greenhouse, AGRI 213 Vegetable Gardening, EMER 180 Tech Rescue, ESTH 365 Outdoor Experience

D. Visual and Performing Arts
ARTF 121 Drawing Fund, ARTF 212 Ceramics I, ARTP 150 B&W Photo, ARTP 250 Digital Photo, CHEM 210 Laboratory Glassblowing, DRMA 229 Acting I, MUEN (any) Music Ensembles, MUSP 120-4 Music Lessons (class) or MUSP 320-4, MUTH 224: Music Technology: Notation, MUTH 225: Music Tech: Editing & Synthesis, MUTH 121 + L: Beginning Theory I + L, MUED 241 Basic Conducting

Section VIII: Foreign Language

A. Prerequisite
- First Language Sequence
  Two full years of a foreign language with semester grades of C- or better at an accredited secondary institution, or Elementary-level college sequence, such as:
  FREN 111+112+113 Beginning French
  GRMN 111+112+113 Beginning German
  ITAL 111+112+113 Beginning Italian
  RELL 211+212+213 Biblical Greek
  SPAN 111+112+113 Beginning Spanish

B. Requirement
- One Intermediate Language Course, such as:
  RELB 480 Advanced Exegesis: Greek
  SPAN 151 Intermediate Spanish I
  Coursework completed during study abroad through ACA Supervised independent study in French, German, or Italian

This requirement may be waived (with no college credit) based on satisfactory demonstration of intermediate language proficiency. Consult the Records Office for details.