











# Additional Course Recommendations







In addition to core requirements, the curricula of many undergraduate majors contain lower-division introductory course work that is often available at other institutions. Students wishing to be more competitive in the applicant pool should consider completing the suggested courses listed for their major before transferring. Completion of the following courses is not a prerequisite for transfer admission to USC. Note that USC course numbers are listed. Many degree programs also require supplemental application materials and may even have different deadlines. When applicable, this information is listed in the tables below.

**NOTE: Schools that require a third-semester foreign language are indicated with .**

College of Letters, Arts and Sciences	<p><b>Biological Sciences, Biochemistry, Biophysics, Kinesiology </b>            BISC 120 (General Biology: Organismal Biology and Evolution)            BISC 220 (General Biology: Cell Biology and Physiology)            CHEM 105ab (General Chemistry I and II)            PHYS 135a (Physics for the Life Sciences)                or PHYS 151Lg (Fundamentals of Physics I: Mechanics and Thermodynamics)            PHYS 135b (Physics for the Life Sciences)                or PHYS 152L (Fundamentals of Physics II: Electricity and Magnetism)            MATH 125 (Calculus I)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The B.S. programs in Biological Sciences, Biophysics, and Biochemistry require additional lower-division courses in mathematics.</li> <li>• Kinesiology does not require MATH 125 but does require MATH 108.</li> </ul>	<p><b>College of Letters, Arts and Sciences</b>            (213) 740-5930  <a href="http://www.usc.edu/dept/LAS/">www.usc.edu/dept/LAS/</a></p>
	<p><b>Chemistry, Earth Sciences, Geological Sciences, Physics </b>            MATH 125 (Calculus I)            MATH 126 (Calculus II)            CHEM 105ab (General Chemistry I and II)            PHYS 151Lg (Fundamentals of Physics I: Mechanics and Thermodynamics)            PHYS 152L (Fundamentals of Physics II: Electricity and Magnetism)            PHYS 153L (Fundamentals of Physics III: Optics and Modern Physics)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chemistry also requires MATH 225 and 226.</li> <li>• Physics also requires MATH 226 and 246.</li> <li>• Earth Sciences and Geological Sciences also require GEOL 105 (Planet Earth), but do not require all courses listed to the left. See the website for details.</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>Astronomy, Mathematics, Physics/Computer Science </b>            MATH 125 (Calculus I)            MATH 126 (Calculus II)            MATH 225 (Linear Algebra and Linear Differential Equations)            MATH 226 (Calculus III)            PHYS 151Lg (Fundamentals of Physics I: Mechanics and Thermodynamics)            PHYS 152L (Fundamentals of Physics II: Electricity and Magnetism)            PHYS 153L (Fundamentals of Physics III: Optics and Modern Physics)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Astronomy does not require MATH 225, but does require MATH 245.</li> <li>• Physics/Computer Science does not require PHYS 153L.</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>Economics </b>            ECON 203 (Principles of Microeconomics)            ECON 205 (Principles of Macroeconomics)            MATH 118 (Fundamental Principles of the Calculus) or MATH 125 (Calculus I)</p>		
	<p><b>Environmental Studies </b>            BISC 120Lxg (General Biology: Organismal Biology and Evolution)            BISC 220L (General Biology: Cell Biology and Physiology)            CHEM 105ab (General Chemistry I and II)            GEOL 105 (Planet Earth)</p>		
	<p><b>Political Science </b>            POSC 100 (Theory and Practice of American Democracy)</p>		
	<p><b>Psychology </b>            PSYC 100 (Introduction to Psychology)            Any one of the following five mathematics courses:                MATH 108 (Precalculus)                MATH 116 (Math for the Social Sciences)                MATH 117 (Intro to Math for Business and Economics)                MATH 118 (Fundamental Principles of the Calculus)                MATH 125 (Calculus I)</p>		
	<p><b>Sociology </b>            SOCI 200 (Introduction to Sociology)</p>		
	<p><b>All other Majors </b>            Courses vary. See website for more information.</p>		

Architecture	<p><b>Architecture</b> MATH 108 (Precalculus)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The five-year Bachelor of Architecture program is a professional degree accredited by the National Architecture Accrediting Board (NAAB).</li> <li>All transfer applicants must submit a portfolio directly to the School of Architecture. Consult the <i>School of Architecture Bulletin</i> or website for instructions.</li> <li>Placement level and the amount of time to complete the studio sequence are dependent on skill level, not unit count.</li> <li>There is no foreign language requirement.</li> </ul>	<p><b>USC School of Architecture</b> (213) 740–2420, (800) 281–8616 <a href="http://arch.usc.edu">arch.usc.edu</a> <a href="mailto:uscarch@usc.edu">uscarch@usc.edu</a></p>
Business	<p><b>Business/Accounting</b> Prerequisites for direct admission to the Marshall School of Business: ECON 203 (Principles of Microeconomics) ECON 205 (Principles of Macroeconomics) MATH 118 (Fundamental Principles of the Calculus) (MATH 125 will substitute for MATH 118.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All applicants are required to complete a supplemental online application.</li> <li>Please visit <a href="http://www.marshall.usc.edu/undergraduatetransfer">www.marshall.usc.edu/undergraduatetransfer</a> for detailed pre-admission information.</li> </ul>	<p><b>USC Marshall School of Business</b> <b>USC Leventhal School of Accounting</b> (213) 740–8885 <a href="http://www.marshall.usc.edu">www.marshall.usc.edu</a></p>
Cinematic Arts	<p><b>Animation and Digital Arts</b>  <b>Cinema-Television Critical Studies</b>  <b>Cinema-Television Production</b>  <b>Interactive Entertainment</b>  <b>Writing for Screen and Television</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact the School of Cinematic Arts for supplemental application information.</li> </ul>	<p><b>USC School of Cinematic Arts</b> (213) 740–8358 <a href="http://cinema.usc.edu">cinema.usc.edu</a> <a href="mailto:admissions@cinema.usc.edu">admissions@cinema.usc.edu</a></p>
Communication	<p><b>Communication</b>  <b>Journalism (Broadcast)</b>  <b>Journalism (Print)</b>  <b>Public Relations</b> </p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Progress toward completing the USC General Education requirement is the best academic preparation for an Annenberg major. There are no lower-division prerequisites. All courses for the major must be taken at USC. Applicants to journalism and public relations must submit a one-page statement of intent with the USC application. Contact the Annenberg School for supplemental application information.</li> </ul>	<p><b>USC Annenberg School for Communication</b> (213) 821–0770 <a href="http://annenberg.usc.edu">annenberg.usc.edu</a> <a href="mailto:ascadm@usc.edu">ascadm@usc.edu</a></p>
Dentistry	<p><b>Dental Hygiene</b> Prerequisites for direct admission into the Dental School include courses comparable to: BISC 120Lxg (General Biology: Organismal Biology and Evolution) CHEM 105ab (General Chemistry I and II) PSYC 100 (Introduction to Psychology) SOC 200 (Introduction to Sociology)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There are additional prerequisite courses, and a supplemental application is required. Please contact the School of Dentistry for further information.</li> </ul>	<p><b>USC School of Dentistry</b> (213) 740–2841 <a href="http://www.usc.edu/dental">www.usc.edu/dental</a> <a href="mailto:scdental@hsc.usc.edu">scdental@hsc.usc.edu</a></p>
Engineering	<p><b>Computer Science</b>  A typical Computer Science applicant has completed the following: C++ Programming course approved by USC MATH 125 (Calculus I) MATH 126 (Calculus II) PHYS 151Lg (Fundamentals of Physics I: Mechanics and Thermodynamics) PHYS 152L (Fundamentals of Physics II: Electricity and Magnetism)</p> <p><b>Engineering (All majors)</b> There are nearly 30 different engineering majors with radically varying curricula in the junior and senior years. However, the following lower-division course work generally applies to all of these majors: CHEM 105aLg (General Chemistry I) CSCI 101 (Fundamentals of Computer Programming) MATH 125 (Calculus I) MATH 126 (Calculus II) MATH 226 (Calculus III) MATH 245 (Math of Physics and Engineering I) PHYS 151Lg (Fundamentals of Physics I: Mechanics and Thermodynamics) PHYS 152L (Fundamentals of Physics II: Electricity and Magnetism) PHYS 153L (Fundamentals of Physics III: Optics and Modern Physics)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact the Viterbi Admission &amp; Student Affairs Division for detailed lower-division course suggestions for each specific engineering major.</li> <li>GE requirements include six courses, one each in categories I, II, III, IV, V, and VI. Students may satisfy the requirement for Category IV with a “wild card” course, which may be a second course in Categories I, II or VI, or with a score of 4 or 5 on the U.S. History A.P. exam.</li> <li>Only the Computer Science major has a foreign language requirement.</li> <li>For additional information and to access the Engineering Supplemental Application please visit <a href="http://viterbi.usc.edu/admission/transfer">viterbi.usc.edu/admission/transfer</a>.</li> </ul>	<p><b>USC Viterbi School of Engineering</b> (800) 526–3347 (213) 740–4530 <a href="http://viterbi.usc.edu">viterbi.usc.edu</a> <a href="mailto:viterbi.admission@usc.edu">viterbi.admission@usc.edu</a></p>
Fine Arts	<p><b>Fine Arts (B.A.)</b>  <b>Fine Arts (B.F.A.)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applicants must submit a supplemental application that requires a personal statement, portfolio, and two letters of recommendation. Please visit the Roski School's website for more application information.</li> </ul>	<p><b>USC Roski School of Fine Arts</b> (213) 740–9153 <a href="http://roski.usc.edu">roski.usc.edu</a> <a href="mailto:roski@usc.edu">roski@usc.edu</a></p>

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Gerontology	<p><b>Gerontology</b> </p> <p>BISC 120Lxg (General Biology: Organismal Biology and Evolution)            BISC 220L (General Biology: Cell Biology and Physiology)            CHEM 105ab (General Chemistry I and II)            MATH 125 (Calculus I)            PHYS 135abL (Physics for the Life Sciences I and II)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Additional courses recommended for Health Science Track students only.</li> </ul>	<p><b>USC Leonard Davis School of Gerontology</b>            (213) 740-5156  <a href="http://www.usc.edu/gero">www.usc.edu/gero</a>            ldsgero@usc.edu</p>
Music	<p><b>Music (B.A.)</b> </p> <p><b>Music Industry (B.S.)</b>            ECON 203 (Principles of Microeconomics)            ECON 205 (Principles of Macroeconomics)</p> <p><b>Music Performance</b>  <b>Strings</b>  <b>Vocal Arts</b>            (Other music majors do not have foreign language or prerequisite requirements.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visit <a href="http://www.usc.edu/music">www.usc.edu/music</a> for the music supplementary application and audition information.</li> <li>• All supplementary applications must be received by the Thornton Admission Office by December 1 in order to be fully considered for fall admission.</li> <li>• Music Performance—Strings requires two semesters of the same foreign language.</li> <li>• Music Performance—Vocal Arts requires French I, German I, and Italian I; and either French II, German II, or Italian II.</li> </ul>	<p><b>USC Thornton School of Music</b>            (800) 872-2213  <a href="http://www.usc.edu/music">www.usc.edu/music</a>            uscmusic@usc.edu</p>
Occupational Therapy	<p><b>Occupational Therapy</b> </p> <p>BISC 212 (Human Anatomy)            PSYC 100 (Introduction to Psychology)            SOCI 200 (Introduction to Sociology)            or ANTH 100g (Principles of Human Organization: Non-Western Societies)            Courses in the following subjects are necessary to satisfy additional requirements. Contact the OT department for advisement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developmental Psychology or Human Development</li> <li>• Human Physiology</li> <li>• Abnormal Psychology</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact the Occupational Therapy department for assistance in arranging your transfer plan, and to obtain a supplemental application.</li> <li>• At USC, some Occupational Therapy courses will satisfy some of the above requirements.</li> <li>• Prospective students enter USC with a pre-OT emphasis, and without a declared major.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Occupational Therapy</b>            (323) 442-2850 or            (866) 385-4250  <a href="http://www.usc.edu/ot">www.usc.edu/ot</a>            otdept@usc.edu</p>
Policy, Planning, and Development	<p><b>Public Policy, Management and Planning</b>            ECON 203 (Principles of Microeconomics)            ECON 205 (Principles of Macroeconomics)            MATH 108 (Precalculus)            or MATH 116 (Mathematics for the Social Sciences)</p>		<p><b>USC School of Policy, Planning, and Development</b>            (213) 740-0550  <a href="http://www.usc.edu/sppd">www.usc.edu/sppd</a>            sppd@usc.edu</p>
Preventive Medicine	<p><b>Health Promotion and Disease Prevention</b> </p> <p>BISC 120L (General Biology: Organismal Biology and Evolution)            BISC 220L (General Biology: Cell Biology and Physiology)            CHEM 105aL (General Chemistry)            MATH 116 (Mathematics for the Social Sciences)            or MATH 125 (Calculus I)            PSYC 100 (Introduction to Psychology)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre-health students may wish to take additional courses in Biology, Chemistry, or Physics. Contact department for details.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Health Promotion and Disease Prevention</b>            (213) 740-1060  <a href="http://www.usc.edu/medicine/hp">www.usc.edu/medicine/hp</a>            bhealthy@usc.edu</p>
Theatre	<p><b>Theatre (B.A.)</b> </p> <p><b>Theatre (B.F.A.)</b> </p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All School of Theatre applicants must submit a supplemental application. Contact the School of Theatre for more information.</li> <li>• All BFA applicants must schedule an audition or portfolio interview.</li> </ul>	<p><b>USC School of Theatre</b>            (213) 740-1286  <a href="http://theatre.usc.edu">theatre.usc.edu</a>            thtrinfo@usc.edu</p>