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To: Campus Community

From: Mary A. Papazian, President



Subject: Presidential Directive 2019-01  
Compliance with Chancellor's Office Executive Order 1100

As a university within the California State University, San José State University must demonstrate its compliance with [Executive Order 1100](#), relating to the California State University General Education Breadth (CSU GE Breadth) requirements, before fall semester of 2019.

In order to ensure compliance, I am directing Dr. Joan Ficke, Interim Provost, to work with the appropriate administrators in the Academic Affairs Division to implement the following changes to SJSU's General Education curriculum.

- 1) Students may choose, from a minimum of two disciplines or in an interdisciplinary sequence, any three General Education Social Sciences [Area D] courses, regardless of subcategory, Human Behavior [D1], Comparative Systems Cultures and Environments [D2], and Social Issues [D3], thereby providing students a single category [D] for this GE requirement. This provision overrides any language to the contrary contained in the General Education guidelines, which otherwise remain unchanged.
- 2) The Area D subcategories and the developed criteria associated with them may continue for the purpose of approving and assessing curriculum, i.e. all courses in the single Area D must meet one or another of the three sets of goals, learning, and content contained in the guidelines.

These changes should be reflected in the university's course catalog, forms, websites, My Progress, and any other places that the Provost considers to be relevant.