



CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FRESNO  
ADMISSIONS, RECORDS,  
AND EVALUATIONS

# DEGREE AUDIT REPORTING SYSTEM

**What is DARS?**

**What does DARS do for advisors, students, and California State University, Fresno?**

- ✓ Generates a report showing a student's progress in their chosen primary degree program
- ✓ Takes the "guesswork" out of selecting courses for future enrollment
- ✓ Allows advisors to focus on advising the student
- ✓ Provides consistent interpretation of degree requirements

Completion of the GENERAL EDUCATION AREA A is indicated by "OK". Completion of Sub-Requirements A1 through A3 is indicated by "+".

**REQUIREMENT AND SUB-REQUIREMENT LEGEND**

- R** Required Sub-Requirement
- (R)** Required course
- OPT** Optional Requirement
- \*** Optional Sub-Requirement
- VA** Average grade of two or more courses
- RP** Duplicate course; course duplicated will have the >D or >X
- NO** Requirement not complete
- OK** Requirement completed
- +** Sub-Requirement completed
- Sub-Requirement not completed
- IP** In-Progress course
- >R** Repeatable course
- >D** Duplicate course; calculated in GPA
- >X** Duplicate course; not calculated in GPA

**NEEDS:**  
Specifies what is still needed to complete requirements.

**SELECT FROM:**  
Lists course options for completing the Requirement or Sub-Requirement.

**DEGREE PROGRESS REPORT**

**Name:** Bulldog, Victor E.  
**Student ID:** xxxxxxxxx  
**Program:** BA Mass Communication & Journ Major – E Media

.....▶ AT LEAST ONE REQUIREMENT HAS NOT BEEN SATISFIED ◀.....

**OK GENERAL EDUCATION**  
**AREA A (MINIMUM OF 9 LOWER-DIVISION UNITS REQUIRED)**  
 1999-00 THRU CURRENT  
 NOTE: A MINIMUM "C" GRADE REQUIRED FOR ALL COURSES USED TO MEET FOUNDATION GE REQUIREMENTS.

EARNED: 9.0 UNITS 3 SUB-GROUPS

- + 1) A1: FOUNDATION / ORAL COMMUNICATION MET  
00FA COMM 003 3.0 B FUND PUBLIC COMM
- + 2) A2: FOUNDATION / WRITTEN COMMUNICATION MET  
01SP ENGL 001 3.0 A COMPOSITION PROCESSED AS: ENGL 010
- + 3) A3: FOUNDATION / CRITICAL THINKING MET  
01SP SOC 003 3.0 B ANLY SOCIAL LIFE

**NO GENERAL EDUCATION**  
**AREA B (MINIMUM OF 9 LOWER-DIVISION UNITS REQUIRED)**  
 1999-00 THRU CURRENT

EARNED: 7.0 UNITS 2 SUB-GROUPS

.....▶ NEEDS: 1 SUB GROUP

- 1) B1: BREADTH / PHYSICAL SCIENCES – COMPLETE ONE COURSE (3 UNITS)

NEEDS: 1 GROUP

SELECT FROM: CHEM 010, 001A, 003A, ENSC 001, GEOL 001, 015, P SCI 021, PHYS 010, 002A, PHYS 004A (77FA-78SU), 004A & 004AL, CHEM 010H, GEOL 008H

- + 2) B2: BREADTH / LIFE SCIENCES MET  
01SP BIOL 010 3.0 D LIFE SCIENCE
- + 3) B4: FOUNDATION / QUANTITATIVE REASONING MET  
01FA MATH 075 4.0 CR EXAM: AP CAL AB

**OK GENERAL EDUCATION**  
**AREA C (MINIMUM OF 9 LOWER-DIVISION UNITS REQUIRED)**  
 1999-00 THRU CURRENT

EARNED: 9.0 UNITS 3 SUB-GROUPS

- + 1) C1: BREADTH / ARTS MET  
00FA DRAMA 022 3.0 B FUND INTERPRET
- + 2) C2: BREADTH / HUMANITIES MET

01FA HUM 015                      3.0 B      MYTH & WLD HUM  
 + 3) C1 or C2: BREADTH / ARTS OR HUMANITIES MET  
 06SP JAPN 001A                      3.0 B      ELEM JAPAN A

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OK      **GENERAL EDUCATION**  
**AREA D (MINIMUM OF 9 LOWER-DIVISION UNITS REQUIRED)**  
 1999-00 THRU CURRENT

EARNED:                      9.0 UNITS                                      3 SUB-GROUPS

- + 1) D1: BREADTH / US HISTORY MET  
 03FA HIST 12                      3.0 C                      AMER HST FR 1865
  - + 2) D2: BREADTH / AMERICAN GOVERNMENT MET  
 02SP PL SI 002                      3.0 B                      AMER GOVT INSTIT
  - + 3) D3: BREADTH / SOCIAL SCIENCE MET  
 02SP GEOG 004                      3.0 C                      WORLD GEOGRAPHY
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OK      **GENERAL EDUCATION**  
**AREA E (MINIMUM OF 3 LOWER-DIVISION UNITS REQUIRED)**  
 1999-00 THRU CURRENT

EARNED:                      3.0 UNITS                                      1 SUB-GROUP

- + 1) E: BREADTH / UNDERSTANDING AND SELF-DEVELOPMENT MET  
 02SP NUTR 053                      3.0 C                      NUTR & HEALTH
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OK      **GENERAL EDUCATION – UPPER DIVISION**  
**MASS COMMUNICATION AND JOURNALISM INTEGRATION AND**  
**MULTI/ INTERNATIONAL**  
**(MINIMUM OF 9 UPPER-DIVISION UNITS REQUIRED)**  
 1999-00 THRU CURRENT

EARNED:                      12.0 UNITS                                      4 SUB-GROUPS

- + 1) INTEGRATION / IB MET  
    3.0 UNITS ADDED                                      1 COURSE TAKEN  
 03FA ANTH 161                      3.0 B                      BIO-BEHAV EVL HUM
- + 2) INTEGRATION / IC MET  
    3.0 UNITS ADDED                                      1 COURSE TAKEN  
 04FA PHIL 150                      3.0 B                      FOUNDS KNOWLEDGE
- + 3) INTEGRATION / ID MET  
    3.0 UNITS ADDED                                      1 COURSE TAKEN  
 06SP SOC 131                      3.0 B                      SOC SEX & GENDER
- + 4) MULTICULTURAL / INTERNATIONAL MET  
    3.0 UNITS ADDED                                      1 COURSE TAKEN  
 05SP GEOG 167                      3.0 B                      PEOPLE / PLACES

**TRANSFER  
LEGEND**

**TRANSFER CREDIT**  
 Transferable course not assigned to a specific campus department.

**COUNT 999** Generic transfer course number assigned to all courses not articulated to a specific course.

**VA GRADE** Average grade of two or more courses.

**HS GRADE** Course used for high school credit.

**NG** No grade reported.

Lists the semester that course was completed, course prefix, number, name, unit value, and grade earned.

*Questions about your DARS report?*

*We encourage you to meet with your advisor in your major department.*



**DARS** is an automated Degree Audit Reporting System designed to assist in the advising process and greatly simplify preparation of student degree evaluations. DARS generates an advising report which shows progress toward a degree. A student can receive a progress report for their *declared primary major*. Minors and secondary majors currently are not available through DARS.

DARS is meant to assist advisors and students and to enhance the advising process. It reduces manual record-keeping tasks and gives advisors more time to interact with students, concentrating on academic and career counseling. DARS takes the guesswork out of deciphering University requirements, general education, and major requirements.

Advisors are able to request on-line, a DARS Progress Report. Upon request, an instant analysis comparing the student's current academic record to a set of degree requirements is made and a report is generated. This report can be printed on a local networked printer located in the advisor's immediate area. The DARS Report shows the student's progress in their chosen degree program, using courses taken at California State University, Fresno and other institutions. The report displays how the courses apply toward the degree program and recommends courses to complete remaining degree requirements.

Since degree requirements are defined in DARS, there will be consistency when advising the student. Students will have a clear understanding of where they are in their degree program, minimizing misinterpretations. Advisors are able to focus more on the substance of academic advising. These changes will substantially enhance the quality of the academic experience, which is central to the mission of California State University, Fresno.

### **Explanation of the Fresno State DARS Progress Report**

The DARS Progress Report is generated for a student's *declared primary degree program*. An illustration of the report appears on the inside of this pamphlet. This illustration depicts the GENERAL EDUCATION section of a DARS Progress Report. Pages 1 and 2 of an actual DARS report are not included in our DARS illustration. Review your own report to see:

- Messages concerning DARS
- The student's overall status in the degree program
- A legend for symbols printed concerning Requirements and Sub-Requirements
- A legend for symbols printed for Transfer Courses
- Overall University Requirements for the chosen degree program

The DARS report inside this pamphlet contains a block of General Education requirements. At the top left corner of each requirement block, you will find "OK" or "NO" indicating whether or not the requirement has been completed. Within each requirement block is sub-requirement information. The plus sign "+" indicates that the sub-requirement has been completed. The minus sign "-" identifies what remains to be done.

### **How Do You Get a DARS Report?**

DARS Progress Reports are available through the school of your chosen degree program. Contact the DARS coordinator in your school for more information. Undeclared students may request a DARS report from Advising Services.

### **Student's Responsibility and Important Messages**

All efforts have been made to ensure the accuracy of the DARS report. *Discrepancies should be reported to the Evaluations Office located in room 115, Joyal Administration Building.* A later DARS Report may reflect different information than an earlier report.

It is the student's responsibility to satisfy all degree requirements. *The progress report assumes successful completion of IN-PROGRESS courses.* If these courses are not completed with an appropriate grade, any requirement marked "OK" will be nullified.

This document should serve only as a guide for advisement and graduation information. It is not the University's official statement of your completion of degree requirements.

This progress report applies solely to the student for whom it is generated.

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