## 15. What is IGETC?

IGETC (pronounced *eye-get-see*) stands for Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum. It is a course pattern that community college students can use to satisfy lower division GE requirements for either the CSU or the UC. Completion of IGETC is not a requirement for admission to the CSU or UC. IGETC is one option for students preparing to transfer. For the CSU students can use each campus' GE pattern or the CSU-GE pattern (see above). For the UC students can use each campus' GE pattern. A few independent California universities also accept IGETC as fulfillment of their lower division GE. If you have questions about which GE pattern to use, see your IVC transfer counselor. For some high unit majors, such as engineering or biological science, the IGETC is not recommended. If you are in one of these majors, see your counselor about alternative GE requirements that apply to you. Important: Students who choose to use the IGETC must complete the entire pattern, in order to receive certification from a community college that they have completed lower division GE requirements.