

# EXTERNAL EXAM CREDIT POLICIES

AP Exam	AP Scores	CCC Majors & Unit Credit	CCC AA GE Approver Credit Score	CSU GE Breadth Approver Credit	CSU Unit Earned (Includes Transfer American Institutio	IGETC Approver Credit (Includes American Institutio	UC Units Earned Toward
Art History	3,4,5	ART 111 and ART 112 6 semester units	C1 or C2: 3 units	C1 or C2: 3 units	6 semester units	3A or 3B <sup>2</sup> : 3 units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Art (Studio): Drawing	3,4,5	ART 182 (with portfolio approval, 3 semester units	n/a	n/a	3 semester units	n/a	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Art (Studio): 2D,3D	3,4,5	3 semester units - elective	n/a	n/a	3 semester units	n/a	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Biology	3,4,5	BIOL 101 5 semester units	B1: 4 semester units	B2 and B3: 4 semester units	6 semester units	5B and 5C <sup>3</sup> : 4 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Calculus AB	3,4,5	MATH 150 4 semester units	B4 <sup>4</sup> : 3 semester units	B4 <sup>4</sup> : 3 semester units	3 semester units	2A: 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units
Calculus BC	3,4,5	MATH 150 and MATH 151 8 semester units	B2: 4 semester units	B4 <sup>4</sup> : 3 semester units	6 semester units	2A: 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units*
Calculus BC/AB Subscore	3,4,5	MATH 150 4 semester units	B2 <sup>3</sup> : 3 semester units minimum	B4 <sup>4</sup> : 3 semester units	3 semester units	2A: 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units

AP Exam	AP Scores	Qualifies for next level	Qualifies for next level	Qualifies for next level	Maximum credit for both exams is
Calculus Exam Limitatio	n/a	n/a	Qualifies for next level math	Qualifies for next level math	8 qtr/5.3 semester units; 4 quarter/2.6 semester units for both AB and AB Subscore
Chemistry	3,4,5	CHEM 101 OR CHEM 107 C (score of 3): 5 semester units - CHEM 111AC (score of 4 or 5): 5 semester units	C 5 units	B1 and B3: 4 GE units if taken prior to F'09)	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Chinese Language and Culture	3,4,5	CHIN 101 and CHIN 102 10 semester units	C2: 3 units	C2: 3 units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Computer Science A	3,4,5	CIS 211 and CIS 226 C: 6 semester units	n/a	n/a	2 qtr/1.3 semester units
Computer Science AB	3,4,5	CIS 211 and CIS 226 C: 6 semester units	n/a	n/a	4 qtr; 2.6 semester units
Computer Science Principles	3,4,5	CIS 211 and CIS 226 C: 6 semester units	B4: 3 units	n/a	8 qtr/5.3 semester units

AP Computer Science Exam Limitation	n/a	Maximum credit for both exams is 6 semester units	Maximum credit for both exams is 6 semester units	n/a	Maximum credit for one exam may be used toward transfer	n/a	Maximum credit is 4 qtr/2.6 semester units for both Computer Science A and Computer Science AB Exams	French Language and Culture	3,4,5	FREN 10 and FREN 1010 semester units	C2: 5 semester units	C2: 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B and 6A: 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
French Literature	3,4,5	No subject credit applies	C2: 5 semester units	C2: (CB exam S'09): 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B and 6A: 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units	French Language	3,4,5	GERM 101 C and GERM 102 C (Cypress no longer offers courses): 10 semester units	C2: 5 semester units	C2: 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B and 6A: 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Economics (Macro)	3,4,5	ECON 1003 semester units	D: 3 semester units	D: 3 semester units	3 semester units	4: 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units	German Language	3,4,5	ECON 1003 semester units	D: 3 semester units	D: 3 semester units	3 semester units	4: 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units
Economics (Micro)	3,4,5	ECON 1003 semester units	D: 3 semester units	D: 3 semester units	3 semester units	4: 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units	English Language and Composition	3,4,5	ENGL 1004 semester units	A: 3 semester units	A2: 3 semester units	6 semester units	1A: 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
English Literature and Composition	3,4,5	ENGL 1004 semester units	A: 3 semester units	A2: 3 semester units	6 semester units	1A or 3B <sup>2</sup> : 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units	English Literature and Composition	3,4,5	ENGL 1004 semester units	A1 or C2: 3 semester units	A2 and C2: 6 semester units	6 semester units	1A or 3B <sup>2</sup> : 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
AP English Exam Limitation	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Maximum credit for both exams is 8 qtr/5.3 semester units	German Language and Culture	3,4,5	GERM 101 C and GERM 102 C (Cypress no longer offers courses): 10 semester units	C2: 5 semester units	C2: 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B and 6A: 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Environmental Science	3,4,5	No subject credit applies	B1: 4 semester units	B2 and B3 *(CSU removed B2 F'09) OR B1 and B3: 4 semester units	4 semester units	5A and 5C <sup>3</sup> : 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units	Government and Politics: Comparison	3,4,5	POSC 2103 semester units	D: 3 semester units	D: 3 semester units	3 semester units	4: 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units
French Language	3,4,5	FREN 1002 and FREN 1020 semester units	C2: 5 semester units	C2: *(CSU removed area F'11) 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B and 6A: 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units	Government and Politics: U.S.	3,4,5	POSC 1003 semester units	D and US-2: 3 semester units	D and US-2: 3 semester units	3 semester units	4: 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units
History - European	3,4,5	HIST 1106 semester units	C2 or C2: 3 semester units	C2 or D: 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B or 4 <sup>2</sup> : 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units	History - U.S.	3,4,5	HIST 1706 and HIST 1716 semester units	C2 or C2: 3 semester units	C2 or D and US-1: 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B or 4 <sup>2</sup> : 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units

History - World Modern	3,4,5	HIST 112D or and C2: 3 HIST 113 6 units semester units	C2 or D: 3 semester units	3 semester units	3B or 4 <sup>2</sup> : 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units	
Human Geography	3,4,5	GEOG 160C 3 semester semester units	D: 3 semester units	3 semester units	4: 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units	
Italian Language and Culture	3,4,5	No subject credit applies	C2: 3 semester units	C2: 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B and 6A: 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Japanese Language and Culture	3,4,5	JAPAN 101C and JAPAN 102 10 semester units	C2: 3 semester units	C2: 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B and 6A: 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Latin	3,4,5	No subject credit applies	C2: 3 semester units	C2: 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B and 6A: 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Latin Literature	3,4,5	No subject credit applies	C2: 3 semester units	C2 (CB exam S'09): 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B and 6A: 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units
Latin: Vergil	3,4,5	No subject credit applies	C2: 3 semester units	C2: *(CSU removed area F'12): 3 semester units	3 semester units	3B and 6A: 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units
Music Theory	3,4,5	MUS 103C 104 C, MUS 105 MUS 106 C: 8 semester units	C1: semester removed area F'09): 3 semester units	C1: *(CSU removed area F'09): 3 semester units	6 semester units	n/a semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Physics B	3,4,5	PHYS 13 B1: 4 semester units	B1 and 3 <sup>5</sup> : *(CSU removed area F'13): 4 semester units	B1 and 3 <sup>5</sup> : *(CSU removed area F'13): 4 semester units	6 semester units	5A and 5C <sup>3</sup> : 4 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Physics 1 or 2	3,4,5	PHYS 130C: 4 semester units	B1 and 3 <sup>5</sup> : 4 semester units	B1 and 3 <sup>5</sup> : 4 semester units	4 semester units	5A and 5C <sup>3</sup> : 4 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Physics C Mechanics	3,4,5	PHYS 13 B1: 4 semester units	B1 and 3 <sup>5</sup> : 4 semester units	B1 and 3 <sup>5</sup> : 4 semester units	4 semester units	5A and 5C <sup>3</sup> : 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units

Physics C Electricity and Magnetism	3,4,5	PHYS 130C: 4 semester units	B1 and 3 <sup>5</sup> : 4 semester units	B1 and 3 <sup>5</sup> : 4 semester units	4 semester units	5A and 5C <sup>3</sup> : 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units
Pre- Calculus	3,4,5	MATH 14B2 (3 MATH 14 8 semester semester units)	B2 (3 units)	B4 (3 units)	3 semester units	N/A semester units	N/A semester units
AP Physics Exam Limitations	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Maximum 4 semester units toward GE and 6 semester units toward transfer	Maximum credit for both exams is 8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Psychology	3,4,5	PSY 101 3 semester units	D: 3 semester units	D: 3 semester units	3 semester units	4: 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units
Spanish Language	3,4,5	SPAN 101C and SPAN 102 10 semester units	C2: 5 semester units	C2: *(CSU removed area S'14): 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B and 6A: 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Spanish Language and Culture	3,4,5	SPAN 10 C2: 5 semester units	C2: 5 semester units	C2: 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B and 6A: 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Spanish Literature	3,4,5	No subject credit applies	C2: 5 semester units	C2: *(CSU removed area S'13) 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B and 6A: 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Spanish Literature and Culture	3,4,5	No subject credit applies	C2: 5 semester units	C2: 3 semester units	6 semester units	3B and 6A: 3 semester units	8 qtr/5.3 semester units
Statistics	3,4,5	MATH 12B: 4 semester units	B2: 4 semester units	B4: 3 semester units	3 semester units	2A: 3 semester units	4 qtr/2.6 semester units

Students must have the College Board send AP exam results to the Admissions Office (hand carried copies will not be accepted). Students may earn credit for Advanced Placement (AP) Tests with scores of 3, 4, or 5. AP credit can be used to meet IGETC, CSU GE and A.A. general education (GE) and/or Cypress College major requirements as indicated in the chart above. Course credit and units granted at Cypress College may differ from course

credit and units granted by a transfer institution towards a student’s major/ graduation requirements. Information about how External Exam Credit (AP, IB, and CLEP) can be used at individual transfer institutions can be found at individual university websites found here: CCC Transfer Counselor Website  
 The following resources were used in updating the chart above:  
 The Cal-State University - Advanced Placement (AP)  
 The University of California - Counselors Quick Reference

**Cypress College (CC) Majors:** Students should be aware that AP test credit is evaluated by corresponding it to an equivalent CC course.

- **Example:** Econ 100C for Macro AP Exam. A student who receives AP credit and then takes the equivalent CC course will have the unit credit for such duplication deducted prior to being awarded the AA degree.

**AA GE:** The AP exams will be applied in the respective GE area as noted. GE AP credit may be different than AP credit applied toward a Cypress College associate degree or certificate program major.

**CSU GE:** The AP exams may be incorporated into the certification of CSU General Education-Breadth requirements by any certifying institution. All CSU campuses will accept the minimum units shown and apply them toward fulfillment of the designated General Education-Breadth requirements.

**IGETC:** AP exams must be used in the area indicated regardless of where the certifying institution’s discipline is located. Credit by AP exam is noted and listed first on a student’s transcript, with units and credit (CR) assigned.

- **Example:** AP History: World History 3.00 CR.
1. There is no equivalent AP exam for the Area 1B, Critical Thinking/ Composition requirement.
  2. AP exams may be used in either area regardless of where the certifying CCC’s discipline is located.
  3. AP exams in Biology, Chemistry, or Physics B earn 4 semester or 5 quarter units towards toward IGETC certification. For Environmental Science, Physics C: Mechanics and Physics C: Electricity/Magnetism, 3 semester or 4 quarter units are applied fo IGETC certification.
  4. If a student passes more than one AP exam in calculus or computer science, only one examination may be applied toward the CSU baccalaureate degree.
  5. If a student passes more than one AP exam in physics, only 6 units of credit may be applied to the baccalaureate, and only 4 units of credit may be applied to a certification in GE Breadth.
  6. \*Refer to the CSU AP List if exam was taken before the removal date.

CLEP	CLEP	CCC GE	CSU GE	CSU Units	IGETC
Examinator	Approved	Approved	Breadth	Earned	Approved
	Scores	Credit (3	Approved	Towards	Credit
		units)	Credit	Transfer	(includes
			(includes		American
			American		Institutions)
			Institutions)		(No UC
					Units
					Earned)
American	50 or above D		D	3 semester	n/a
Government				units	
American	50 or above C2		C2	3 semester	n/a
Literature				units	

Analyzing and Interpreting Literature	50 or above C2		C2	3 semester	n/a
				units	
Biology	50 or above B1		B2	3 semester	n/a
				units	
Calculus	50 or above B2		B4	3 semester	n/a
				units	
Chemistry	50 or above B1 s		B1	3 semester	n/a
				units	
College Algebra	50 or above B2		B4	3 semester	n/a
				units	
College Algebra - Trigonometr	50 or above B2		B4	3 semester	n/a
				units	
College Composition	50 or above A1		n/a	n/a	n/a
English Literature	50 or above C2		C2 (prior to F'11 only)	3 semester	n/a
				units	
French Level II	59 or above C2		C2	3 semester	n/a
				units	
Freshmen College Compositior	n/a	A1	n/a	n/a	n/a
German Level II	60 or above C2		C2	3 semester	n/a
				units	
History, United States I	50 or above D		D and US-1	3 semester	n/a
				units	
History, United States II	50 or above D		D and US-1	3 semester	n/a
				units	
Human Growth and Developmen	50 or above D		E	3 semester	n/a
				units	
Humanities	50 or above n/a		C2	3 semester	n/a
				units	
Introductory Psychology	50 or above D		D	3 semester	n/a
				units	
Introductory Sociology	50 or above D		D	3 semester	n/a
				units	
Natural Sciences	50 or above B1		B1 or B2	3 semester	n/a
				units	
Pre-Calculus	50 or above B2		B4	3 semester	n/a
				units	
Principles of Macroconc	50 or above D		D	3 semester	n/a
				units	
Principles of Microeconomics	50 or above D		D	3 semester	n/a
				units	
Spanish Level II	63 or above C2		C2	3 semester	n/a
				units	
Spanish Level with Writing Level I	50 and above	n/a	n/a	6 semester	n/a
				units	

Spanish Level with Writing Level II	63 and above	C2	C2	9 semester units	n/a
Trigonometry	50 or above	B2	B4 (prior to F'06 only)	3 semester units	n/a
Western Civilization I	50 or above	C2 or D	C2 or D	3 semester units	n/a
Western Civilization II	50 or above	C2 or D	D	3 semester units	n/a

Language A2 (any language) HL**	5,6,7	C2: 3 units	C2 (prior to F'13 only)*	3 semester units	3B	8 qtr/5.3 sem units
Language B (any language) HL**	5,6,7	C2: 3 units	n/a	n/a	6A	8 qtr/5.3 sem units
Mathematics HL	5,6,7	B2: 3 units	B4*	3 semester units	2A	8 qtr/5.3 sem units
Physics HL	5,6,7	B1: 3 units	B1	3 semester units	5A (without lab)	8 qtr/5.3 sem units
Psychology HL	5,6,7	D: 3 units	D	3 semester units	4	8 qtr/5.3 sem units
Theatre HL	5,6,7	C1: 3 units	C1*	3 semester units	3A	8 qtr/5.3 sem units

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The following resource was used in updating the chart above: The Cal-State University - College Level Examination Program (CLEP)

IB Examination	IB Exam Approved Scores	CCC GE Approved Credit (3 units)	CSU GE Breadth Approved Credit (includes American Institution)	CSU Units Earned Towards Transfer	IGETC Approved Credit (includes American Institution)	UC Units Earned Towards Transfer
Biology HL	5,6,7	B1 3 units	B2	3 semester units	5B (without lab)	8 qtr/5.3 sem units
Chemistry HL	5,6,7	B1: 3 units	B1	3 semester units	5A (without lab)	8 qtr/5.3 sem units
Economics HL	5,6,7	D: 3 units	D	3 semester units	4	8qtr/5.3 sem units
Geography HL	5,6,7	D: 3 units	D	3 semester units	4	8 qtr/5.3 sem units
History (any region) HL	5,6,7	D: 3 units	C2 or D	3 semester units	3B or 4	8 qtr/5.3 sem units
Language A Literature HL	5,6,7	C2: 3 units	C2*	3 semester units	3B and 6A	8 qtr/5.3 sem units
Language A Language and Literature HL	5,6,7	C2: 3 units	C2*	3 semester units	3B and 6A	8 qtr/5.3 sem units
Language A1 (any language) HL**	5,6,7	C2: 3 units	C2 (prior to F'13 only)*	3 semester units	3B	8 qtr/5.3 sem units

\* A score of 4 earns credit for these CSU GE areas.

\*\*The IB Curriculum offers language at various levels for the native and non-native speakers. Language A1 and A2 are advanced courses in literature for native and non-native speakers, respectively and therefore, satisfy Humanities GE areas, not English Composition. Language B courses are offered at the intermediate level for non-natives. Policies may differ for CSU and UC systems as noted.

### UC - Units Earned Toward Transfer (last column from above chart)

The University of California awards 8 qtr/5.3 sem units of credit for each of the International Baccalaureate Individual Certificate subject HL with a score of 5, 6, or 7. Additional HL IB exams may earn UC unit credit beyond those included in this list for IGETC credit. Please reference the UC counselors website for a complete list of IB exam unit credit for admission purposes: The University of California

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The following resources were used in updating the chart above:

1. The Cal-State University - International Baccalaureate (IB)
2. The Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senates (ICAS)

### Guidance for Assigning Academic Credit for the Defense Language Proficiency Test (DLPT) Pass Scores

Utilizing the American Council on Education (ACE) recommendations as described below, three lower division semester hours for language shall equate to three semester units (or their quarter equivalent) in CSU GE Breadth Subarea C2. When assigning academic credit using the DLPT, campus articulation officers and credit transfer evaluators should refer to the ACE National Guide to College Credit for Workforce Training. This ACE online guide organizes foreign language test scores and credit recommendations by language, version of test and modality of language. The Guide then provides lower and upper division credit recommendations based on the DLPT test score in the following modalities: listening, reading,

and oral. Campuses may continue to award additional GE and/or major course credit as they have done in the past.

The following documents may be accepted to award DLPT GE or course credit:

- Official Defense Language Institute Foreign Language (DLIFLC) Transcripts
- Official Joint Services Transcripts (JST)
- Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) DLPT Examinee Results
- DA Form 330 Language Proficiency Questionnaire

For more information, please see CSU ASA 2018-06 for more information:  
The Cal-State University

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