

Credit by Exam: Advanced Placement (AP) Tests

Students are granted units and subject credit for SMC degrees/certificates for College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB) Advanced Placement Tests with scores of 3, 4, or 5. Students must have the College Board send AP exam results to the SMC Admissions Office (hand carried copies will NOT be accepted).

AP credit can also be used to meet IGETC, CSU GE, and SMC Associate degree (majors and/or GE) requirements.

- AP credit granted at SMC does **NOT** reflect credit granted by a transfer institution.
- AP credit must be used in the IGETC area indicated, regardless of where the certifying institution's discipline is located.
- AP credit may be incorporated into the CSU GE certification by any certifying institution. All CSU campuses will accept the minimum units shown and apply them toward fulfillment of the designated CSU GE area if the examination is included as part of a full or subject-area certification. Please note that individual CSU campuses may choose to grant more units than those specified toward completion of CSU GE requirements.

Students interested in petitioning for AP credit should meet with a counselor. Students should be aware that AP test credit is evaluated by corresponding it to an equivalent SMC course, e.g., History 11. A student who receives AP credit and then takes the equivalent SMC course will have the unit credit for the duplication deducted prior to graduation. Credit by Advanced Placement exam is noted and listed first on a student's transcript, with units assigned and no grade.

Use of AP credit varies at each transfer institution. Please check the transfer institution's catalog for details.

UCLA will not grant AP credit if the exam is taken after the student has completed 24 semester units of college coursework.

EXAM	SMC ASSOCIATE DEGREE (MAJOR AND/OR GE)	CSU GE	CSU UNITS EARNED TOWARD TRANSFER	IGETC	UC UNITS EARNED TOWARD TRANSFER
Art History	AHIS 1 plus 3 elective units = 6 units; only 3 GE units	Area C1 or C2 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 3A or 3B 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Biology	BIOL 3 plus 2 elective units = 6 units; only 4 GE units	Area B2 and B3 4 semester units	6 semester units	Area 5B and 5C 4 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Calculus AB	Score of 3: MATH 2* Score of 4 or 5: Math 7* 5 semester units	Area B4 3 semester units	3 semester units*	Area 2A 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.7 semester units**
Calculus BC	Score of 3: Math 7* Score of 4 or 5: Math 8* 5 semester units	Area B4 3 semester units	6 semester units*	Area 2A 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units**
AP CALCULUS EXAM LIMITATIONS	*Qualifies student for next level of math		*Only one exam may be used toward transfer		**Maximum credit for both exams is 8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Chemistry	CHEM 10 5 semester units	Area B 1 and B3 4 semester units	6 semester units	Area 5A and 5C 4 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Chinese Language & Culture	CHINESE 3 5 semester units	Area C2 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Computer Science AB	Score of 3: CS 3 and 55 6 semester units* Score of 4 or 5: CS 55 and 56 6 semester units*	N/A	6 semester units**	N/A	4 quarter/ 2.7 semester units***
AP COMPUTER SCIENCE EXAM LIMITATIONS	*Maximum credit for both exam is 6 semester units		**Maximum one exam may be used toward transfer		***Maximum credit for both exam is 4 quarter/2.7 semester units
Economics – Macroeconomics	ECON 2 3 semester units	Area D2 3 semester units	3 semester units	Area 4B 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.7 semester units
Economics – Microeconomics	ECON 1 3 semester units	Area D2 3 semester units	3 semester units	Area 4B 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.7 semester units
English – Language & Composition	ENGL 1 plus 3 elective units = 6 units; only 3 GE units	Area A2 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 1A 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units*
English – Literature & Composition	ENGL 1 plus 3 Humanities GE units = 6 units; 6 GE units plus 3 elective units = 6 units; 3 GE units	Area A2 and C2 6 semester units	6 semester units	Area A1 or 3B 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units*
AP ENGLISH EXAM LIMITATIONS					*Maximum credit for both exams is

8 quarter/5.3 semester units					
Environmental Science	No course equivalency GE Natural Science 3 semester units	Area B2 and B3 <i>(if completed prior to Fall 2009)</i> or Area B1 and B3 <i>(regardless of when completed)</i> 4 semester units	4 semester units	Area 5A and 5C 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.7 semester units
French Language & Culture	FRENCH 3 5 semester units	Area C2 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
French Literature & Culture	No course equivalency GE Humanities 5 semester units	Area C2 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
German Language & Culture	GERMAN 3 5 semester units	Area C2 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Government & Politics – Comparative	POL SC 2 3 semester units	Area D8 3 semester units	3 semester units	Area 4H 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.7 semester units
Government & Politics – U.S.	POL SC 1 3 semester units	Area D8 and US 2* *NOTE: Does not fulfill AHI California Government requirement, which student can satisfy after transfer.	3 semester units	Area 4H 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.7 semester units
History – European	HIST 1 plus 3 elective units = 6 units; only 3 GE units	Area C2 or D6 and US 1 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 3B or 4F 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
History – U.S.	HIST 11 plus 3 elective units = 6 units; only 3 GE units	Area C2 or D6 and US 1 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 3B or 4F 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
History – World	HIST 34 plus 3 elective units = 6 units; only 3 GE units	Area C2 or D6	6 semester units	Area 3B or 4F 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Human Geography	GEOG 2 3 semester units	Area D5 3 semester units	3 semester units	Area 4E 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.7 semester units
Italian Language & Culture	ITAL 3 5 semester units	Area C2 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Japanese Language & Culture	JAPAN 3 5 semester units	Area C2 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Latin	No course equivalency – GE Humanities 5 semester units	Area C2 3 semester units	3 semester units	Area 3B and 6A 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.7 semester units
Latin Literature	No course equivalence – GE Humanities 5 semester units	Area C2 <i>(if completed prior to Fall 2009)</i> 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.7 semester units
Latin Vergil	No course equivalency – GE Humanities 5 semester units	Area C2 <i>(if completed prior to Fall 2012)</i> 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.7 semester units
Music Theory	Score of 3: No course equivalency – Elective 3 semester units Score of 4 or 5: Music 2 and 6 5 semester units	Area C1 (if completed prior to Fall 2009) 3 semester units	6 semester units	N/A	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Physics B	PHYSICS 12 plus 1 unit = 4 units; 4 GE units	Area B1 and B3 <i>(if completed prior to Fall 2013)</i> 4 semester units*	6 semester units*	Area 5A and 5C 4 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units**
Physics C – Mechanics	PHYSICS 6 4 semester units; Cannot Be used for placement into Physics 7	Area B1 and B 3 4 semester units*	4 semester units*	Area 5A and 5C 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.7 semester units**
Physics C – Electricity &	PHYSICS 6	Area B1 and B3	4 semester units	Area 5A and 5C	8 quarter/

Magnetism Physics 1	4 semester units	4 semester units		4 semester units	5.3 semester units
Physics 2	PHYCS 7 4 semester units	Area B1 and B3 4 semester units	4 semester units	Area 5A and 5C 4 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
AP PHYSICS EXAM LIMITATIONS			*Maximum 4 semester units toward GE and 6 semester units toward transfer		**Maximum credit for 3 exam is 8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Psychology	PSYCH 1 3 semester units	Area D9 3 semester units	3 semester units	Area 4I 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.7 semester units
Seminar	N/A	N/A	3 semester units	N/A	N/A
Spanish Language & Culture	SPAN 3 5 semester units	Area C2 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Spanish Literature & Culture	No course equivalency – GE Humanities 5 semester units	Area C2 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Statistics	MATH 54 4 semester units	Area B4 3 semester units	3 semester units	Area 2 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.7 semester units
Studio Art 2D Design	No course equivalency (<i>credit for the Associate Degree major may be granted upon petition to the Art Dept. and portfolio review</i>) – Elective 3 semester units	N/A	3 semester units	N/A	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Studio 3D Design	No course equivalency (<i>credit for the Associate Degree major may be granted upon petition to the Art Dept. and portfolio review</i>) – Elective 3 semester units	N/A	3 semester units	N/A	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Studio Art	No course equivalency (<i>credit for the Associate Degree major may be granted upon petition to the Art Dept. and portfolio review</i>) – Elective 3 semester units	N/A	3 semester units	N/A	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
AP STUDIO ART EXAM LIMITATIONS					*Maximum credit for 3 exam is 8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units