

Advanced Placement (AP) and IGETC

A score of 3, 4, or 5 is required to grant credit for IGETC certification. An acceptable AP score for IGETC equates to either 3 semester or 4 quarter units for certification purposes. Each AP exam may be applied to one IGETC area as satisfying one course requirement, with the exception of Language other Than English (*LOTE*).

Students who have earned credit from an AP exam should not take a comparable college course because transfer credit will not be granted for both. Students earning scores of 3, 4, or 5 in the physical and biological science AP examinations earn credit toward IGETC Area 5 and meet the IGETC laboratory activity requirement. There is no equivalent AP exam for Area 1B- Critical Thinking/Composition requirement. AP exams in Biology, Chemistry or Physics B allow CCC campuses to apply 4 semester or 5 quarter units to IGETC certification. For Environmental Science, Physics C: Mechanics and Physics C: Electricity/Magnetism, 3 semester or 4 quarter units are applied for IGETC certification. Therefore, students who complete these exams will be required to complete at least 4 semester or 5 quarter units to satisfy the minimum required units for Area 5

AP EXAMINATION	IGETC AREA	AP EXAMINATION	IGETC AREA
Art History*	3A or 3B*	U.S. Government & Politics	4H
Biology	5B with lab	Human Geography	4E
Calculus AB	2A	Italian Language & Culture	3B and 6A
Calculus BC	2A	Japanese Language & Culture	3B and 6A
Chemistry	5A with lab	Latin Literature	3B and 6A
Chinese Language & Culture	3B and 6A	Latin: Vergil	3B and 6A
Macroeconomics	4B	Physics B	5A with lab
Microeconomics	4B	Physics C mechanics	5A with lab
English Language+	1A	Physics C electricity/magnetism	5A with lab
English Literature*	1A or 3B*	Psychology	4I
Environmental Science	5A with lab	Spanish Language	3B and 6A
European History*	3B or 4F*	Spanish Literature	3B and 6A
French Language	3B and 6A	Statistics	2A
French Literature	3B and 6A	U.S. History*	3B or 4F*
German Language	3B and 6A	World History*	3B or 4F*
Comparative Government & Politics	4H		

* AP exams may be used in either area regardless of where the certifying CCC's discipline is located. **Example:** US History at a CCC is approved for Area 3B. The US History AP may be used in Area 3B or Area 4F.

+ While a score of 3 in English Language satisfies IGETC Area 1A, some UC Campuses or Colleges, such as UC Berkeley College of Letters and Science, require an AP score of 4 or 5 to meet the equivalent of a first semester Reading and Composition course

requirement (comparable to English 1A). This is a consideration if students follow the campus specific general education pattern. City College of San Francisco also requires an AP score of 4 for English 1A equivalency.

Actual AP transfer credit awarded for admission is determined by the CSU and UC. The UC Policy for AP credit can be found in the publication *Quick Reference for Counselors* at www.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/educators. The CSU does not have a systemwide policy. Consult individual CSU campus for the AP policy.

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