

City College of San Francisco College Level Examination Program (CLEP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) Charts (Academic Year 2026-27)

CCSF Credit for College Level Examination Program (CLEP) Test Scores

The following credit and general education equivalencies are based on statewide guidelines for California community colleges. Students who seek course equivalency credit should consult with the department chair for the proposed equivalent course. Students are strongly encouraged to speak with a counselor about using CLEP exam scores based on individual educational goals. The following chart is applicable only at City College of San Francisco. 4-year universities may have different CLEP acceptance policies for both admission and major requirements.

*****CLEP is not accepted for Cal-GETC.**

[CSU CLEP Policy](#)

[UC CLEP Policy](#) (UC does not currently accept CLEP)

[Cal-GETC Standards](#)

CLEP Examination	CCSF GE Area^	Passing Score	Units
American Government	Area 4	50	3
American Literature	Area 3	50	3
Analyzing and Interpreting Literature	Area 3	50	3
Biology	Area 5	50	3
Calculus	Area 2	50	3
Chemistry	Area 5	50	3
College Algebra	Area 2	50	3
College Algebra-Trigonometry	Area 2	50	3
College Composition *	none	50	0
College Composition – Modular *	none	50	0
College Mathematics *	none	50	0
English Composition (with or without essay) *	none	50	0
Financial Accounting ***	none	50	3
French Level I ***	none	50	3
French Level II	Area 3	59	3
Freshman College Composition *	none	50	0
German Level I ***	none	50	3

German Level II	Area 3	60	3
History, United States I	Area 4 + US-1	50	3
History, United States II	Area 4 + US-1	50	3
Human Growth and Development**	Area 4	50	3
Humanities	Area 3	50	3
Info Systems and Computer Apps ***	none	50	3
Introduction to Educational Psychology ***	none	50	3
Introductory Business Law ***	none	50	3
Introductory Psychology	Area 4	50	3
Introductory Sociology	Area 4	50	3
Natural Sciences	Area 5	50	3
Pre-Calculus	Area 2	50	3
Principles of Accounting ***	none	50	3
Principles of Macroeconomics	Area 4	50	3
Principles of Microeconomics	Area 4	50	3
Principles of Management ***	none	50	3
Principles of Marketing ***	none	50	3
Social Sciences and History *	none	50	0
Spanish Level I *	none	50	5
Spanish Level II	Area 3	63	3
Spanish with Writing Level I *	none	50	3
Spanish with Writing Level II	Area 3	63	3
Western Civilization I	Area 3 or 4	50	3
Western Civilization II	Area 4	50	3

^ CCSF GE credit listed; no GE credit for Cal-GETC; CSU may grant GE credit upon enrollment

* *These exams are not eligible for credit nor general education at CCSF.*

** *CCSF GE credit only; not valid for GE at the CSU or UC*

*** *CCSF elective credit only; no GE credit*

CCSF Credit for International Baccalaureate (IB) Test Scores

The following credit and general education equivalencies are based on statewide guidelines for California community colleges. Students who seek course equivalency credit should consult with the department

chair for the proposed equivalent course. Students are strongly encouraged to speak with a counselor about using IB exam scores based on individual educational goals. The following chart is applicable only at City College of San Francisco. 4-year universities may have different IB acceptance policies for both admission and major requirements.

[CSU IB Policy](#)

[UC IB Policy](#)

IB Examination	Passing Score	CCSF GE Area	Units
Biology HL	5	Area 5	3
Chemistry HL	5	Area 5	3
Economics HL	5	Area 4	3
Geography HL	5	Area 4	3
History (any region) HL	5	Area 3 or 4	3
Language A Literature HL (any language except English)	4	Area 3	3
Language A Language and Literature HL (any language except English)	4	Area 3	3
Language B (any language) HL	4	none	3
Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches HL	4	Area 2	3
Mathematics: Applications and Interpretation HL	4	Area 2	3
Physics HL	5	Area 5	3
Psychology HL	5	Area 4	3
Theatre HL	4	Area 3	3