

Application of External Exams (AP, IB, CLEP, DLPT) To General Education Areas in IGETC, CSU GE, Associate Degree GE 2019-2020

IMPORTANT NOTE TO STUDENTS –

If you plan to complete an associate degree and/or CSUGE or IGETC certification within the San Mateo County Community College District you must submit official AP, IB, or CLEP exam results to the Admissions and Records Office. College courses (taken before or after external exams) may duplicate content. Where duplication exists between the exam course content and the college course content, students do not get credit/units for both the external exam and the college course. (Find more information under Additional Information located at the end of the document.) Not all external exams generate general education credit. Only exams that generate GE credit are listed in this chart.

Cañada College, College of San Mateo and Skyline College apply external exam credit to associate degree general education requirements in the same manner as CSU applies external exam credit to CSU general education requirements. External exam results are applied to GENERAL EDUCATION AREA REQUIREMENTS only. External exam evaluation results appear on student Web SMART Degree Works audit. The responsibility for researching if or how an external exam may be applied toward specific subjects or major requirements rests with the student.

Students are encouraged to use the following resources for additional information, limitations, and restrictions applied to external exams: The California State University Office of the Chancellor Coded Memorandum ASA-2019-03 dated January 28, 2019; CSU Executive Order 1036, Section 1.2.4; Standards, Policies & Procedures for Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum Version 1.9, Section 7.0 Credit By Exam dated May 2018, SMCCD Transcript Evaluation website at www.smccd.edu/transeval.

Advanced Placement Exams (AP)			
Column 1 - IGETC : With a score of 3, 4, or 5, AP credit may be applied to <u>Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC)</u>			
Column 2 – CSU GE : With a score of 3, 4, or 5, AP credit may be applied to <u>California State University General Education (CSU GE)</u>			
Column 3 – AA/AS GE : With a score of 3, 4, or 5, AP credit may be applied to <u>Associate Degree general education</u> area requirements			
AP Exam	Column 1 IGETC <small>3 semester units awarded toward IGETC unless otherwise indicated</small>	Column 2 CSU GE <small>3 semester units awarded toward GE unless otherwise indicated</small>	Column 3 Associate Degree General Education <small>3 semester units awarded toward GE unless otherwise indicated</small>
AP ART HISTORY	Area 3A or Area 3B	Area C1 or Area C2	AA GE E5c
AP BIOLOGY	Area 5B & Area 5C	Area B2 & Area B3 4 semester units	AA GE E5a – 4 semester units
AP CHEMISTRY Taken before Fall 2009	Area 5A & Area 5C	Area B1 & Area B3 6 semester units	AA GE E5a - 6 semester units
AP CHEMISTRY Taken Fall 2009 or after	Area 5A & Area 5C	Area B1 & Area B3 4 semester units	AA GE E5a- 4 semester units
AP CHINESE Language and Culture	Area 3B & Area 6A	Area C2	AA GE E5c
AP COMP SCI Principles	NA	Area B4	AA C1 and E2C
AP ECONOMICS Macroeconomics	Area 4	Area D	AA GE E5b
AP ECONOMICS Microeconomics	Area 4	Area D	AA GE E5b
AP ENGLISH Language/Composition	Area 1A	Area A2	AA C2 and E2a
AP ENGLISH Literature/Composition	Area 1A <u>or</u> Area 3B	Area A2 & Area C2 6 semester units	AA C2 and E2a and E5c - 6 semester units
AP ENVIRON. SCI. Taken before Fall 2009	Area 5A & Area 5C 3 semester units only so must take a 4 semester unit course for Area 5B for certification	Area B2 & Area B3 4 semester units	AA GE E5a – 4 semester units
AP ENVIRON. SCI. Taken FALL 2009 or later	Area 5A & Area 5C 3 semester units only so must take a 4 semester unit course for Area 5B for certification	Area B1 & Area B3 4 semester units	AA GE E5a – 4 semester units

AP FRENCH Language Taken before Fall 2009	Area 3B & Area 6A	Area C2 6 semester units	AA GE E5c -6 semester units
AP FRENCH Language Taken Fall 2009 and before Fall 2011	Area 3B & Area 6A	Area C2	AA GE E5c
AP FRENCH Literature Taken before Fall 2009	Area 3B & Area 6A	Area C2	AA GE E5c
AP FRENCH Language and Culture Taken Fall 2011 or after	Area 3B & Area 6A	Area C2	AA GE E5c
AP GERMAN Language Taken before Fall 2009	NA	Area C2 6 semester units	AA GE E5c -6 semester units
AP GERMAN Language - Taken Fall 2009 and before Fall 2011	NA	Area C2	AA GE E5c
AP GERMAN Language and Culture	Area 3B & Area 6A	Area C2	AA GE E5c
AP GOVERNMENT Comparative Gov/ Politic	Area 4	Area D	AA GE E5b
AP GOVERNMENT US Government/Politics	Area 4 & US – 2 US Constitution	Area D & US – 2 US Constitution	AA GE E5b
AP HISTORY European	Area 3B or 4	Area C2 or Area D	AA GE E5b or E5c
AP HISTORY United States	Area 3B or Area 4 & US – 1 US History	Area C2 or Area D & US – 1 US History	AA GE E5b or E5c
AP HISTORY World	Area 3B or Area 4	Area C2 or Area D	AA GE E5b or E5c
AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY	Area 4	Area D	AA GE E5b
AP ITALIAN Language and Culture	Area 3B & Area 6A	Area C2	AA GE E5c
AP JAPANESE Language and Culture	Area 3B & Area 6A	Area C2	AA GE E5c
AP LATIN Literature -Taken before Fall 2009	Area 3B & Area 6A	Area C2	AA GE E5c
AP LATIN - Vergil Taken before Fall 2012	Area 3B & Area 6A	Area C2	AA GE E5c
AP LATIN	Area 3B & Area 6A	Area C2	AA GE E5c
AP MATH Calculus AB	Area 2A	Area B4	AA C1 and E2C
AP MATH Calculus BC	Area 2A	Area B4	AA C1 and E2C
AP MATH Calculus BC/AB Sub-score	Area 2A	Area B4	AA C1 and E2C
AP MUSIC THEORY Taken before FALL 2009	NA	Area C1	AA E5c
AP PHYSICS 1	Area 5A & Area 5C	Area B1 & Area B3 4 semester units	AA GE E5a – 4 semester units
AP PHYSICS 2	Area 5A & Area 5C	Area B1 & Area B3 4 semester units	AA GE E5a – 4 semester units
AP PHYSICS B Taken before Fall 2009	Area 5A & Area 5C	Area B1 & Area B3 6 semester units	AA GE E5a – 6 semester units
AP PHYSICS B between Fall '09 and Fall '15	Area 5A & Area 5C	Area B1 & Area B3 4 semester units	AA GE E5a – 4 semester units
AP PHYSICS C Mechanics	Area 5A & Area 5C 3 semester units only so must take a 4 semester unit course for Area 5B for certification.	Area B1 & Area B3 4 semester units	AA GE E5a – 4 semester units
AP PHYSICS C Electricity/magnetism	Areas 5A & Area 5C 3 semester units only so must take a 4 semester unit course for Area 5B for certification.	Area B1 & Area B3 4 semester units	AA GE E5a – 4 semester units
AP PSYCHOLOGY	Area 4	Area D	AA GE E5b

SPANISH Language Taken before Spring 2014	NA	Area C2 6 semester units	AA GE E5c-6 semester units
SPANISH Language and Culture	Area 3B & Area 6A	Area C2	AA GE E5c
SPANISH Literature Taken before Spring 2013	NA	Area C2 6 semester units	AA GE E5c- 6 semester units
SPANISH Literature and Culture	Area 3B & Area 6A	Area C2	AA GE E5c
STATISTICS	Area 2A	Area B4	AA C1 and E2C

International Baccalaureate Exams (IB)

Column 1 - IGETC: Applied to Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) certification with a score of 5, 6, or 7.

Column 2 – CSU GE: Applied to California State University General Education (CSU GE) certification with a score of 5, 6, or 7 unless otherwise noted.

Column 3 – AA/AS GE: Applied to Associate Degree general education area at Cañada College, College of San Mateo, and Skyline College with a score of 5, 6, or 7 unless otherwise noted.

IB HL Exam	Column 1 IGETC 3 semester units toward IGETC Area	Column 2 CSU GE 3 semester units toward CSU GE	Column 3 Associate Degree General Education 3 semester units toward AA/AS GE
IB BIOLOGY HL	Area 5B	Area B2	AA GE E5a
IB CHEMISTRY HL	Area 5A	Area B1	AA GE E5a
IB ECONOMICS HL	Area 4	Area D	AA GE E5b
IB GEOGRAPHY HL	Area 4	Area D	AA GE E5b
IB HISTORY HL (any region)	Area 3B or Area 4	Area C2 or Area D	AA GE E5b or E5c
IB LANGUAGE A: Literature HL	Area 3B and 6A Any language except English	Passing score of 4 Area C2	Passing score of 4 AA GE E5c
IB LANGUAGE A: HL Language and Literature	Area 3B and 6A Any language except English	Passing score of 4 Area C2	Passing score of 4 AA GE E5c
IB LANGUAGE A1: Literature HL Any Language if taken prior to Fall 2013	Area 3B Any language	Passing score of 4 Area C2	Passing score of 4 AA GE E5c
IB LANGUAGE A2 HL Taken prior to Fall 2013	Area 3B Any language	passing score of 4 Area C2	passing score of 4 AA GE E5c
IB LANGUAGE B HL (ANY LANGUAGE)	Area 6A Any language	NA	NA
IB MATHEMATICS HL	Area 2	passing score of 4 Area B4	passing score of 4 AA C1 and AA GE E2c
IB PHYSICS HL	Area 5A	Area B1	AA GE E5a
IB PSYCHOLOGY HL	Area 4	Area D	AA GE E5c
IB THEATRE HL	Area 3A	passing score of 4 Area C1	passing score of 4 AA GE E5c

College Level Examination Program (CLEP)

Column 1 – CSU GE: Applied to California State University General Education (CSU GE) certification.

Column 2 – AA/AS GE: Applied to Associate Degree general education area at Cañada College, College of San Mateo, and Skyline College. CLEP cannot be applied to IGETC.

CLEP Exam	Column 1 CSU GE 3 semester units toward CSU GE	Column 2 Associate Degree General Education 3 semester units toward AA/AS GE
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CLEP AMERICAN GOVERNMENT	passing score of 50 Area D	passing score of 50 AA GE E5b
CLEP AMERICAN LITERATURE	passing score of 50 Area C2	passing score of 50 AA GE E2c or E5c
CLEP ANALYZING & INTERPRETING LIT.	passing score of 50 Area C2	passing score of 50 AA GE E2c or E5c
CLEP BIOLOGY	passing score of 50 Area B2	passing score of 50 AA GE E5a
CLEP CALCULUS	passing score of 50 Area B4	passing score of 50 AA C1 and AA GE E2c
CLEP CHEMISTRY	passing score of 50 Area B1	passing score of 50 AA GE E5a
CLEP COLLEGE ALGEBRA	passing score of 50 Area B4	passing score of 50 AA C1 and AA GE E2c
CLEP COLLEGE ALGEBRA-TRIG	passing score of 50 Area B4	passing score of 50 AA C1 and AA GE E2c
CLEP ENGLISH LITERATURE - Taken before Fall 2011	passing score of 50 Area C2	passing score of 50 AA GE E5c
CLEP FRENCH LEVEL 2	passing score of 59 Area C2	passing score of 59 AA GE E5c
CLEP GERMAN LEVEL 2	passing score of 60 Area C2	passing score of 60 AA GE E5c
CLEP HISTORY, UNITED STATES I	passing score of 50 Area D and US-1 US History	passing score of 50 AA GE E5b
CLEP HISTORY, UNITED STATES II	passing score of 50 Area D and US-1 US History	passing score of 50 AA GE E5b
CLEP HUMAN GROWTH & Development	passing score of 50 Area E	passing score of 50 AA GE E5b
CLEP HUMANITIES	passing score of 50 Area C2	passing score of 50 AA GE E5c
CLEP INTRO. PSYCHOLOGY	passing score of 50 Area D	passing score of 50 AA GE E5b
CLEP INTRO. SOCIOLOGY	passing score of 50 Area D	passing score of 50 AA GE E5b
CLEP NATURAL SCIENCES	passing score of 50 Area B1 or B2	passing score of 50 AA GE E5a
CLEP PRE-CALCULUS	passing score of 50 Area B4	passing score of 50 AA C1 and AA GE E2c
CLEP PRINCIPLES OF MACROECONOMICS	passing score of 50 Area D	passing score of 50 AA GE E5b
CLEP PRINCIPLES OF MICROECONOMICS	passing score of 50 Area D	passing score of 50 AA GE E5b
CLEP SPANISH LEVEL 2	passing score of 63 Area C2	passing score of 63 AA GE E5c
CLEP TRIG. Prior to Fall 2006	passing score of 50 Area B4	passing score of 50 AA C1 and AA GE E2c
CLEP WESTERN CIVILIZATION 1	passing score of 50 Area C2 or Area D	passing score of 50 AA GE E5b or E5c
CLEP WESTERN CIVILIZATION II	passing score of 50 Area D	passing score of 50 AA GE E5b

Additional Information on External Exams:

Although AP credit for a subject is not considered “the same” as a specific college course, below find a list of some college courses that will invalidate AP credit because the content in the AP course and the content in the college course overlap. If the student takes the course the student will not receive AP credit. Also note, many universities will not accept AP credit for major course requirements. Please read notes #1 through #12 below.

AP Art History (meets IGETC Area 3A or CSU GE Area C1) – ART 101,

AP Biology (meets IGETC Area 5B & 5C and CSU GE Area B2 & B3) – BIOL 110,

AP Chemistry (meets IGETC Area 5A & 5C and CSU GE Area B1 & B3) – CHEM 210,

AP Chinese (*meets IGETC Area 3B and CSU GE Area C2*) – CHIN 111-134,
 AP Macroeconomics (*meets IGETC Area 4 and CSU GE Area D*) – ECON 100,
 AP Microeconomics (*meets IGETC Area 4 and CSU GE Area D*) – ECON 102,
 AP English Language and Composition (*meets IGETC Area 1A and CSU GE Area A2*) – ENGL 100 or 105,
 AP Literature and Composition (*meets IGETC Area 1A OR 3B and CSU GE Areas A2 and C2*) – ENGL 100 or 105 and ENGL 110,
 AP Psychology (*meets IGETC Area 4 and CSU GE Area D*) – PSYC 100,
 AP Statistics (*meets IGETC Area 2A and CSU GE Area B4*) – MATH 200,
 AP SPANISH (*Meets IGETC 3B and 6A and CSU GE Area C2*) – SPAN 110 and 120.

- 1- Issues around credit for external exams are complex. Where there is common use for general education areas as noted above, the use of external exams to meet major requirements is complex and specific to the receiving transfer institution. It is up to the student to thoroughly research this information.
- 2- The chart does not provide information about transfer credit generated by external exams for the purpose of admissions.
- 3- Students who have earned credit through AP, IB, and/or CLEP should not take a comparable college course because credit will not be granted for both the external examination and the comparable college course. (See #12 below.)
- 4- The chart does not provide information about if or how external exam results apply to major course requirements. Applying AP, IB, or CLEP credit to meet major requirements is determined by each transfer institution.
- 5- At Cañada College, College of San Mateo, and Skyline College, each instructional division determines IF OR HOW AP, IB, and/or CLEP credit is applied to associate degree major or certificate requirements. Talk to a counselor for assistance.
- 6- Students earning an AP score of 3, 4, or 5 in the physical and biological science examinations meet IGETC Area 5 and the IGETC laboratory activity, Area 5C, requirements. AP exams in Biology, Chemistry, and Physics B allow California community colleges to apply 4 semester units to IGETC area certification to cover both the science lecture and science lab unit requirements for IGETC Area 5. However, for Environmental Science, Physics C: Mechanics, and Physics C: Electricity/magnetism, only 3 semester or 4 quarter units are applied to IGETC area 5A and 5C certification which means that students who complete these AP exams are required to complete a 4 semester or 5 quarter unit course to satisfy the minimum required units for IGETC Area 5.
- 7- Actual AP transfer credit awarded for AP exams for admission is determined by the CSU and UC. The UC Policy for AP credit can be found at: <http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/files/ap-satisfy-admission-and-igetc-req.pdf>.
- 8- The CSU has a system-wide policy for AP and other exams for awarding transfer credit for admission. The CSU policy for AP can be found at <http://www.calstate.edu/app/general-ed-transfer.shtml>
- 9- Actual IB transfer credit awarded for IB exams for admission is determined by the CSU and UC. The UC Policy for IB credit can be found at: <http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/exam-credit/ib-credits/index.html>.
- 10- The CSU has a system-wide policy for IB exams for awarding transfer credit for admission. The CSU policy for IB can be found at: <http://calstate.edu/app/general-ed-transfer.shtml>
- 11- External exam policies for UC and CSU are subject to periodic modifications.
- 12- External exam credit CANNOT be applied to IGETC Area 1B and CSU GE Area A3 (Critical Thinking areas of GE).

Defense Language Proficiency Test (DLPT) and CSU GE

Utilizing the American Council on Education (ACE) recommendations as described below, College of San Mateo will award three lower division semester units for students who have achieved a passing score on a Defense Language Proficiency Test (DLPT) in CSU GE AREA C2 and in the local associate degree general education area E5c. The following documents may be accepted to award DLPT GE 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