

College Level Examination Program (CLEP) 2018-2019

The following chart reflects the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) credits that may be awarded toward Cañada College Associate Degree General Education (GE) requirements only, and/or California State University General Education Certification. Students must submit an official copy of test results to the Admissions and Records Office, and request a SMCCCD transcript Evaluation (TES) at www.smccd.edu/transeval. Students are advised to consult with individual CSU campuses for credits. CLEP cannot be used in IGETC certification.

CLEP Subject Exam	Passing Score For CSU and SMCCD Associate Degree	Semester Credits Toward CSU GE Breadth Certification	CSU GE Breadth and/or American Institutions	Application to Cañada College Associate Degree General Education 3 semester units Elective units may apply – the TES evaluation applies CLEP exam results to general education area requirements ONLY, TES does not apply to electives, and will not post them on students' transcript.
American Government	50	3	Area D	Social Sciences
American Literature	50	3	Area C2	Humanities
Analyzing and Interpreting Literature	50	3	Area C2	Humanities
Biology	50	3	Area B2	Scientific Inquiry & Quantitative Reasoning
Calculus	50	3	Area B4	Critical Thinking/ Analytical Thinking Meets Math Competency
Chemistry	50	3	Area B1	Scientific Inquiry & Quantitative Reasoning
College Algebra	50	3	Area B4	Critical Thinking/ Analytical Thinking Meets Math Competency
College Algebra - Trigonometry	50	3	Area B4	Critical Thinking/ Analytical Thinking Meets Math Competency
College Composition	50	0	N/A	N/A



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College Composition - Modular	50	0	N/A	N/A
College Mathematics	50	0	N/A	N/A
English Composition (no essay)	50	0	N/A	N/A
English Composition (with essay)	50	0	N/A	N/A
English Literature if taken before Fall 2011	50	3	Area C2	Humanities
Financial Accounting	50	0	N/A	N/A
French Level I (1)	50	0	N/A	N/A
French Level II (1)	59	3*	Area C2	Humanities
Freshman college composition	50	0	N/A	N/A
German Level I (1)	50	0	N/A	N/A
German Level II (1)	60	3*	Area C2	Humanities
History, United States I	50	3	Area D & US 1	Social Sciences
History, United States II	50	3	Area D & US 1	Social Sciences
Human Growth and Development	50	3	Area E	Life Long Learning and Self Development
Humanities	50	3	C2	Humanities
Information System and Computer Applications	50	0	N/A	N/A

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Introduction to Educational Psychology	50	0	N/A	N/A
Introductory Business Law	50	0	N/A	N/A
Introductory Psychology	50	3	Area D	Social Sciences
Introductory Sociology	50	3	Area D	Social Sciences
Natural Sciences	50	3	Area B1 or B2	Scientific Inquiry & Quantitative Reasoning
Pre-Calculus	50	3	Area B4	Critical Thinking/ Analytical Thinking Meets Math Competency
Principles of Accounting	50	0	N/A	N/A
Principles of Macroeconomics	50	3	Area D	Social Sciences
Principles of Management	50	0	N/A	N/A
Principles of Marketing	50	0	N/A	N/A
Principles of Microeconomics	50	3	Area D	Social Sciences
Social Sciences and History	50	0	N/A	N/A
Spanish Level I (1)	50	0	N/A	N/A
Spanish Level II (1)	63	3*	Area C2	Humanities



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Trigonometry if taken before Fall 2006	50	3	Area B4	Critical Thinking/ Analytical Thinking Meets Math Competency
Western Civilization I	50	3	Area C2 or Area D	Humanities or Social Sciences
Western Civilization II	50	3	Area D	Social Sciences

1. If a student passes more than one CLEP test in the same language other than English (e.g., two exams in French), then only one examination may be applied to the associate and baccalaureate. For each test in a language other than English, a passing score of 50 is considered "Level I" and earns six units of associate and baccalaureate credit; the higher score listed for each test is considered "Level II" and earns additional units of credit and placement in Area C2 of GE Breadth, a.

***The test was removed from GE breadth in Fall 2015.**

Reference:

CSU Chancellor Office, Coded Memorandum ASA-2018-06: System-wide Credit for External Examination, <http://www.calstate.edu/acadaff/codedmemos/ASA-2018-06.pdf>

Coded Memorandum ASA-2018-06: System-wide Credit for External Examination, attachment 2: <http://calstate.edu/acadaff/codedmemos/ASA-2018-06-attachment-2.pdf>

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Additional Information on External Examinations (AP, IB, CLEP):

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. The AP, IB, and CLEP charts above outline how the results of these exams may apply to General Education requirements.
3. San Mateo Community College district applies AP, IB, and CLEP credit to Associate Degree General Education area requirements in the same manner as the CSU system applies AP, IB, and CLEP credit to CSU GE area
4. The chart does not provide information about if or how external exam results apply to major course. The application of AP, IB, and CLEP results to university majors and degree requirements is determined by each transfer institution. 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.
5. 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 (taken

before or after external exams) may duplicate content. Where content duplication exists, students do not get credit/units for both the external exam and the college course.

6. Each AP exam may be applied to one CSU GE breadth/IGETC area as satisfying one course requirement with the exception of language other than English (LOTE). Space does not permit discussion of how AP credit is granted for every university and Students are advised to thoroughly investigate AP credit as it relates to a University.
7. Actual AP transfer credit awarded for AP exams for admission is determined by the CSU and
 - a. The UC Policy for AP credit can be found at: <http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/files/ap-satisfy-admission-and-igetc-req.pdf>
 - b. The CSU has a system-wide policy for AP and other exams for awarding transfer credit for The CSU policy for AP can be found at <http://calstate.edu/AcadAff/codedmemos/index.shtml>
8. Actual IB transfer credit awarded for IB exams for admission is determined by the CSU and
 - a. The UC Policy for IB credit can be found at: <http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/exam-credit/ib-credits/index.html>
 - b. The CSU has a system-wide policy for IB exams for awarding transfer credit for The CSU policy for IB can be found at: <http://calstate.edu/AcadAff/codedmemos/index.shtml>

External exam policies for UC and CSU are subject to periodic modifications.

To receive credit for External Examination, AP, IB or CLEP:

Students, who are planning to receive credit for external examinations must:

- Submit official copy of the test results to the Admissions and Records Office
- Request a SMCCCD Transcript Evaluation at www.smccd.edu/transeval
- Work with your counselor to develop a comprehensive Student Educational Plan (SEP) after the TES evaluation is completed and appears on Degree Works.

Note:

- Beginning in fall 2013, when students request the TES evaluation, the results will appear on Web SMART Degree Works Audit.
- The TES evaluation applies external exam results to GENERAL EDUCATION AREA REQUIREMENTS ONLY.
- Visit TES web site, www.smccd.edu/transeval, for more information about the application of external exams and the unit values applied to general education areas, admission units generated by external exams, and other information and restrictions.
- Students must meet with a counselor to review and evaluate the results of these external exams to ensure they plan their education path correctly.

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