



College Level Examination Program (CLEP) 2017-2018

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 | Minimum Semester Credits Earned | CSU GE Breadth and/or American Institutions 3 semester units | 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. |
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| 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 |
| 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 | 3 | N/A | N/A |
| French Level I (1) | 50 | 6 | N/A | N/A |
| French Level II (1) | 59 | 9* | Area C2 | Humanities |
| Freshman college composition | 50 | 0 | N/A | N/A |
| German Level I (1) | 50 | 6 | N/A | N/A |
| German Level II (1) | 60 | 9* | 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 | 3 | N/A | N/A |
| Introduction to Educational Psychology | 50 | 3 | N/A | N/A |
| Introductory Business Law | 50 | 3 | 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 |

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| Principles of Accounting | 50 | 3 | N/A | N/A |
| Principles of Macroeconomics | 50 | 3 | Area D | Social Sciences |
| Principles of Management | 50 | 3 | N/A | N/A |
| Principles of Marketing | 50 | 3 | 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 | 6 | N/A | N/A |
| Spanish Level II (1) | 63 | 9* | Area C2 | Humanities |
| 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, as noted.

***Students will earn minimum of 12 semester credit, if this test is taken before Fall 2015.**

Reference:

CSU Chancellor Office, Coded Memorandum ASA-2017-13: System-wide Credit for External Examination, <http://www.calstate.edu/AcadAff/codedMemos/ASA-2017-13.pdf>

CSU Chancellor Office, Memo Code: AA-2015-19: system- wide Credit for External Examination, <http://www.calstate.edu/AcadAff/codedMemos/AA-2015-19.pdf>

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

- 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.
- 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.
- 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 requirements.
- The chart does not provide information about if or how external exam results apply to major course requirements. 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.
- 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. College courses (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.
- 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 program. Students are advised to thoroughly investigate AP credit as it relates to a University.
- 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>
 - 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://calstate.edu/AcadAff/codedmemos/index.shtml>
- 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>
 - 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/AcadAff/codedmemos/index.shtml>

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.