Credit by Exam: Advanced Placement (AP) Tests

Students are granted units and subject credit for SMC degrees/certificates for College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB) Advanced Placement Tests with scores of 3, 4, or 5. Students must have the College Board send AP exam results to the SMC Admissions Office (hand carried copies will NOT be accepted).

AP credit can also be used to meet IGETC, CSU GE, and SMC Associate degree (majors and/or GE) requirements.

- AP credit granted at SMC does NOT reflect credit granted by a transfer institution.
- AP credit must be used in the IGETC area indicated, regardless of where the certifying institution’s discipline is located.
- AP credit may be incorporated into the CSU GE certification by any certifying institution. All CSU campuses will accept the minimum units shown and apply them toward fulfillment of the designated CSU GE area if the examination is included as part of a full or subject-area certification. Please note that individual CSU campuses may choose to grant more units than those specified toward completion of CSU GE requirements.

Students interested in petitioning for AP credit should meet with a counselor. Students should be aware that AP test credit is evaluated by corresponding it to an equivalent SMC course, e.g., History 11. A student who receives AP credit and then takes the equivalent SMC course will have the unit credit for the duplication deducted prior to graduation. Credit by Advanced Placement exam is noted and listed first on a student’s transcript, with units assigned and no grade.

Use of AP credit varies at each transfer institution. Please check the transfer institution’s catalog for details.

UCLA will not grant AP credit if the exam is taken after the student has completed 24 semester units of college coursework.

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<td>AHIS 1 plus 3 elective units = 6 units: only 3 GE units</td>
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<td><strong>Music Theory</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Physics B</strong></td>
<td>PHYSCS 12 plus 1 unit = 4 units; 4 GE units</td>
<td>Area B1 and B3 (if completed prior to Fall 2013) 4 semester units*</td>
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<td><strong>Physics C – Mechanics</strong></td>
<td>PHYSCS 6 4 semester units; Cannot Be used for placement into Physics 7</td>
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