

Credit by Exam: International Baccalaureate (IB) Exams

- A score of 5, 6 or 7 on Higher Level (HL) exams is required to grant credit for IGETC certification.
- An acceptable IB score for IGETC equates to either 3 semester/4 quarter units for certification purposes.
- For transfer purposes, UC will grant 5.3 semester/8 quarter units for each IB exam completed with a score of 5, 6, or 7 on HL exams.
- CSU also grants unit credit for transfer purposes of IB HL exams.
- Students who have earned credit for an IB exam should not take a comparable college course because transfer credit will NOT be granted for both.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB) EXAM	MINIMUM SCORE FOR SMC AND CSU	SMC GE AREA	UNITS TOWARD SMC DEGREE	CSU SEMESTER CREDITS EARNED	CSU GE CREDITS	CSU GE AREA	MINIMUM SCORE FOR IGETC	IGETC AREA	IGETC UNITS
IB Biology	5	I	3	6	3	B2	5	5B <i>(w/o lab)</i>	3
IB Chemistry	5	I	3	6	3	B1	5	5A <i>(w/o lab)</i>	3
IB Economics	5	II B	3	6	3	D2	5	4B	3
IB Geography	5	II B	3	6	3	D5	5	4E	3
IB History <i>(any region)</i>	5	II B	3	6	3	C2 or D6	5	3B or 4F	3
IB History (U.S.)	5	II A or II B	3						
IB Language A – Literature <i>(any language except English)</i>	4			6	3	C2	5	3B and 6A	
IB Language A – Language and Literature <i>(any language except English)</i>	4			6	3	C2	5	3B and 6A	
IB Language A1 – Literature <i>(any language)</i>								3B	3
IB Language A2 – Language and Literature <i>(any language)</i>								3B	3
IB Language A1 <i>(any language)</i>	4	III	3	6	3	C2 <i>(if completed prior to Fall 2013)</i>	5	3B	3
IB Language A2 <i>(any language)</i>	4	III	3	6	3	C2 <i>(if completed prior to Fall 2013)</i>	5	3B	3
IB Language B <i>(any language)</i>	4	III	3	6	0	N/A	5	6A	3
IB Mathematics	4	IV B	3	6	3	B4	5	2	3
IB Physics	5	I	3	6	3	B1	5	5A <i>(w/o lab)</i>	3
IB Psychology	5	II B	3	3	3	D9	5	4I	3
IB Theatre	4	III	3	6	3	C1	5		