Credit by Exam: Advanced Placement (AP) Tests and SMC GE Chart

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.

			CSU UNITS		
EXAM	SMC ASSICIATE DEGREE	CSU GE	EARNED TOWARD	IGETC	UC UNITS EARNED
	(MAJOR AND/OR GE)		TRANSFER		TOWARD TRANSFER
Art History	AHIS 1 plus 3 elective units = 6	Area C1 or C2	6 semester units	Area 3A or 3B	8 quarter/
	units: only 3 GE units	3 semester units		3 semester units	5.3 semester units
	Fulfills Global Citizen requirement				
Biology	BIOL 3 plus 2 elective units = 6	Area B2 and B3	6 semester units	Area 5B and 5C	8 quarter/
	units; only 4 GE units	4 semester units		4 semester units	5.3 semester units
Calculus AB	Score of 3, 4 or 5: Math 7*	Area B4	3 semester units*	Area 2A	4 quarter/
	5 semester units	3 semester units		3 semester units	2.6 semester units**
Calculus BC	Score of 3: Math 7*	Area B4	6 semester units*	Area 2A	8 quarter/
	Score of 4 or 5: Math 8*	3 semester units		3 semester units	5.3 semester units**
	5 semester units				
AP CALCULUS EXAM	*Qualifies student for next level		*Only one exam		**Maximum credit
LIMITATIONS	of math		may be used		for both exams is
			toward transfer		8 quarter/
					5.3 semester units
Chemistry	CHEM 10	Area B1 and B3	6 semester units	Area 5A and 5C	8 quarter/
	5 semester units	4 semester units		4 semester units	5.3 semester units
Chinese Language & Culture	CHNESE 3	Area C2	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A	8 quarter/
	GE Humanities 3 + 3 elective units	3 semester units		3 semester units	5.3 semester units
	= 6 units				
	Fulfills Global Citizenship				
	requirement				
Computer Science A	Score of 3 or 4: CS 55	N/A	3 semester units	N/A	8 quarter/
	Score of 5: CS 55 and CS 56				5.3 semester units
					(May 2018 or later)
Computer Science AB	Score of 3: CS 3 and 55	N/A	6 semester units**	N/A	4 quarter/
	6 semester units*				2.6 semester units***
	Score of 4 or 5: CS 55 and 56				
	6 semester units*				
Computer Science Principles	Score of 3 or 4 or 5: CS 3	Area B4	6 semester units	N/A	8 quarter/
		3 semester units			5.3 semester units
AP COMPUTER SCIENCE EXAM	*Maximum credit for both exam		**Maximum one		***Maximum credit
LIMITATIONS	is 6 semester units		exam may be used		for both exam is 4
			toward transfer		quarter/
					2.6 semester units
Economics – Macroeconomics	ECON 2	Area D2	3 semester units	Area 4B	4 quarter/
	3 semester units	3 semester units		3 semester units	2.6 semester units
Economics –	ECON 1	Area D2	3 semester units	Area 4B	4 quarter/
Microeconomics	3 semester units	3 semester units		3 semester units	2.6 semester units

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English – Language &	ENGL 1 plus 3 elective units	Area A2	6 semester units	Area 1A	8 quarter/
Composition	= 6 units; only 3 GE units	3 semester units		3 semester units	5.3 semester units*
English – Literature &	ENGL 1 plus 3 Humanities GE units	Area A2 and C2	6 semester units	Area 1A or 3B	8 quarter/
Composition	= 6 GE units	6 semester units		3 semester units	5.3 semester units*
AP ENGLISH EXAM LIMITATIONS					*Maximum credit for both exams is 8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
Environmental Science	No course equivalency	Area B2 and B3	4 semester units	Area 5A and 5C	4 quarter/
	GE Natural Science 4 semester units	(if completed prior to Fall 2009) or Area B1 and B3 (regardless of when completed) 4 semester units		3 semester units	2.6 semester units
French Language & Culture	FRENCH 3	Area C2	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A	8 guarter/
	3 elective units = 6 units; only 3 GE units Fulfills Global Citizenship	3 semester units		3 semester units	5.3 semester units
French Literature & Culture	No course equivalency	Area C2	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A	8 quarter/
	GE Humanities 3 + 3 elective units = 6 units Fulfills Global Citizenship	3 semester units		3 semester units	5.3 semester units
German Language & Culture	GERMAN 3	Area C2	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A	8 quarter/
	GE Humanities 3 + 3 elective units = 6 units Fulfills Global Citizenship	3 semester units		3 semester units	5.3 semester units
Government & Politics –	POLSC 2	Area D8	3 semester units	Area 4H	4 quarter/
Comparative	3 semester units	3 semester units		3 semester units	2.6 semester units
Government & Politics – U.S.	POL SC 1 3 semester units NOTE: Does not fulfill ADT requirement.	Area D8 and US 2* 3 semester units *NOTE: Does not fulfill AHI California Government requirement, which student can satisfy after transfer.	3 semester units	Area 4H 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.6 semester units
History – European	HIST 1 plus 3 elective units	Area C2 or D6 and US 1	6 semester units	Area 3B or 4F	8 quarter/
	= 6 units; only 3 GE units	3 semester units		3 semester units	5.3 semester units
History – U.S.	HIST 11 plus 3 elective units	Area C2 or D6 and US 1	6 semester units	Area 3B or 4F	8 quarter/
	= 6 units; only 3 GE units	3 semester units		3 semester units	5.3 semester units
History – World	HIST 34 plus 3 elective units = 6 units; only 3 GE units Fulfills Global Citizenship requirement	Area C2 or D6 3 semester units	6 semester units	Area 3B or 4F 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
History World – Modern	HIST 34	Area C2 or D6 3 semester units	3 semester units	Area 3B or 4	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester
Human Geography	GEOG 2 3 semester units	Area D5 3 semester units	3 semester units	Area 4E 3 semester units	4 quarter/ 2.6 semester units
Italian Language & Culture	ITAL 3	Area C2	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A	8 quarter/
	GE Humanities 3 + 3 elective units = 6 units Fulfills Global Citizenship requirement	3 semester units	o seriester units	3 semester units	5.3 semester units

Japanese Language & Culture	JAPAN 3	Area C2	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A	8 quarter/
Japanese Language & Culture	GE Humanities 3 + 3 elective units	3 semester units	o semester units	3 semester units	5.3 semester units
	= 6 units	5 semester units		5 semester units	J.J Semester units
	Fulfills Global Citizenship				
	requirement				
Latin	No course equivalency –	Area C2	3 semester units	Area 3B and 6A	8 guarter/
Laun	GE Humanities 3 + 3 elective units	3 semester units		3 semester units	5.3 semester units
	= 6 units				
	Fulfills Global Citizenship				
	requirement				
Latin Literature	No course equivalence –	Area C2 (if completed	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A	8 quarter/
	GE Humanities 3 + 3 elective units	prior to Fall 2009)		3 semester units	5.3 semester units
	= 6 units	3 semester units			
	Fulfills Global Citizenship				
	requirement				
Latin Vergil	No course equivalency –	Area C2 (if completed	3 semester units	Area 3B and 6A	8 quarter/
	GE Humanities 3 + 3 elective units	prior to Fall 2012)		3 semester units	5.3 semester units
	= 6 units	3 semester units			
	Fulfills Global Citizenship				
	requirement				
Music Theory	Score of 3: No course equivalency	Area C1 (if completed	6 semester units	N/A	8 quarter/
	– Elective	prior to Fall 2009)			5.3 semester units
	3 semester units	3 semester units			
	Score of 4 or 5: Music 2 and 6				
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Physics B	PHYSCS 14	Area B1 and B3	6 semester units*	Area 5A and 5C	8 quarter/
	4 GE units	(if completed prior to Fall 2013)		4 semester units	5.3 semester units**
		4 semester units*			
Physics C – Mechanics	PHYSCS 6	Area B1 and B 3	4 semester units*	Area 5A and 5C	4 quarter/
	4 semester units; Cannot be	4 semester units*	4 Semester units	3 semester units	2.6 semester units**
	used for placement into				
	PHYSCS 7				
Physics C – Electricity &	PHYSCS 7	Area B1 and B 3	4 semester units*	Area 5A and 5C	4 quarter/
Magnetism	4 semester units	4 semester units*		3 semester units	2.6 semester units**
Physics 1	PHYSCS 6	Area B1 and B3	4 semester units*	Area 5A and 5C	8 quarter/
	4 semester units	4 semester units*		4 semester units	5.3 semester units**
Physics 2	PHYSCS 7	Area B1 and B3	4 semester units*	Area 5A and 5C	8 quarter/
	4 semester units	4 semester units*		4 semester units	5.3 semester units**
AP PHYSICS EXAM			*Maximum 4		**Maximum credit
LIMITATIONS			semester units		for exams is
			toward GE and		8 quarter/
			6 semester units		5.3 semester units
			toward transfer	L	
Pre-Calculus	MATH 2	Area B4	3 semester units	N/A	N/A
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Psychology	PSYCH 1	Area D9	3 semester units	Area 4I	4 quarter/
Research as an Exam	3 semester units	3 semester units	N/A	3 semester units	2.6 semester units
	Elective 3 semester units	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Seminar	N/A	N/A	3 semester units	N/A	N/A
	SPAN 3	N/A Area C2	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A	
Spanish Language & Culture	GE Humanities 3 + 3 elective units	Area C2 3 semester units	o semester units	Area 3B and 6A 3 semester units	8 quarter/ 5.3 semester units
	= 6 units			5 semester units	J.J SEITIESTEI UTIILS
	Fulfills Global Citizenship				
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Spanish Literature & Culture	No course equivalency –	Area C2	6 semester units	Area 3B and 6A	8 quarter/
	GE Humanities 3 + 3 elective units	3 semester units		3 semester units	5.3 semester units
	= 6 units				
	Fulfills Global Citizenship				
Statistics	requirement MATH 54	Area B4	3 semester units	Area 2	4 guarter/
	4 semester units	3 semester units	5 semester units	3 semester units	2.6 semester units
Studio Art 2D Design	No course equivalency (credit for	N/A	3 semester units	N/A	8 guarter/
	the Associate Degree major may	19/5	5 semester units		5.3 semester units
	be granted upon petition to the Art				5.5 Seriester annts
	Dept. and portfolio review) –				
	Credit for GE Humanities and				
	Liberal Arts AA: Arts and				
	Humanities Group A Group 1				
	3 semester units				
Studio 3D Design	No course equivalency (credit for	N/A	3 semester units	N/A	8 quarter/
	the Associate Degree major may				5.3 semester units
	be granted upon petition to the Art				
	Dept. and portfolio review) –				
	Credit for GE Humanities and				
	Liberal Arts AA: Arts and				
	Humanities Group A Group 1				
	3 semester units				
Studio Art Drawing	No course equivalency (credit for	N/A	3 semester units	N/A	8 quarter/
	the Associate Degree major may				5.3 semester units
	be granted upon petition to the Art				
	Dept. and portfolio review) – Credit for GE Humanities and				
	Liberal Arts AA: Arts and				
	Humanities Group A Group 1				
	3 semester units				
AP STUDIO ART EXAM		1		1	*Maximum credit for
LIMITATIONS					3 exam is
					8 quarter/
					5.3 semester units