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Advanced Placement (AP) Policies

Per the following chart students at Santa Ana College may be awarded units of credit for Advanced Placement exams passed with a score of 3, 4, or 5. Although credit awarded through advanced placement may be used to satisfy Santa Ana College graduation requirements, it cannot be used to satisfy the twelve unit residency requirement. Students who have earned credit from an AP exam should not take a comparable college course since credit will not be granted for both. Students should submit official copies of Advanced Placement Examination test scores to the Admissions and Records office for evaluation. Students are strongly advised to check with a SAC counselor and/or the Admissions Office of their transfer campus to determine how the AP exam will be used to meet requirements at their transfer institution as policies may differ from SAC's.

Advanced Placement Exam	SAC Courses(s)/ Units Awarded (Can also be used On Plan A)	CSU-GE (Plan B) Certification Area/ Semester Units Awarded ¹	CSU Minimum Semester Units Granted ²	Certification Area/ Semester Units Awarded ³	UC Minimum Semester Units Granted ⁴
Art History	ART 101 and 102 6 Units	Area C1 or C25 3 Units (C1 if passed prior to F '09)	6 Units	Area 3A or 3B5 3 Units	5.3 Units
Studio Art - Drawing / Drawing	ART 130 3 Units	N/A	3 Units	N/A	5.3 Units (5.3 Units maximum combined credit for all three Studio Art Exams)
Studio Art - 2-D Design / 2-D Art and Design	ART 110 3 units	N/A	3 units	N/A	5.3 Units (5.3 Units maximum combined credit for all three Studio Art Exams)
Studio Art - 3-D Design / 3-D Art and Design	ART 111 3 Units	N/A	3 Units	N/A	5.3 Units (5.3 Units maximum combined credit for all three Studio Art Exams)
Biology	BIOL 109 + 109L or 190 + 190L 4 Units	Area B2 and B3 4 Units	6 Units	Area 5B and 5C 4 Units	5.3 Units
Calculus AB	MATH 180 4 Units	Area B4 3 Units	3 Units (only one Calculus or Computer Science exam may be applied toward CSU degree)	Area 2A 3 Units	2.6 Units (5.3 units maximum combined credit for both Calculus exams)
Calculus BC	MATH 180 and 185 8 Units	Area B4 3 Units	6 Units (only one Calculus or Computer Science exam may be applied toward CSU degree)	Area 2A 3 Units	5.3 Units (5.3 units maximum combined credit for both Calculus exams)
Calculus BC/AB Subscore	MATH 180 4 Units	Area B4 3 Units	3 Units (only one Calculus or Computer Science exam may be applied toward CSU degree)	Area 2A 3 Units	2.6 Units (5.3 units maximum combined credit for both Calculus exams)
Chemistry	CHEM 219 5 Units	Area B1 and B3 4 Units (6 Units if passed prior to F '09)	6 Units	Area 5A and 5C 4 Units	5.3 Units
Chinese Language and Culture	Plan A Area C 3 Units	Area C2 3 Units	6 Units	Area 3B and 6A 3 units	5.3 Units
Computer Science A	CMPR 121 3 Units (with SAC CMPR department approval)	N/A	3 Units (only one Computer Science or Calculus exam may be applied toward a CSU degree)	N/A	5.3 units (Beginning May 2018)
Computer Science AB	CMPR 121 and 131 6 Units (with SAC CMPR department approval)	N/A	6 Units (only one Computer Science or Calculus exam may be applied toward a CSU degree)	N/A	Check UC Campus Catalog
			6 Units (only one		
Computer Science Principles	Plan A Area E2 3 Units	Area B4 3 Units	Computer Science exam may be applied toward a CSU degree)	N/A	5.3 Units

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Economic: Macroeconomics	ECON 120 3 Units	Area D 3 Units	3 Units	Area 4 3 Units	2.6 Units
Economic: Microeconomics	ECON 121 3 Units	Area D 3 Units	3 Units	Area 4 3 Units	2.6 Units
English: Language and Composition	ENGL 101 4 Units	Area A2 3 Units	6 Units	Area A1 3 Units	5.3 Units (5.3 units maximum combined credit for both English exams)
English: Literature and Composition	ENGL 101 6 Units Plan A Area E1 and Area C	Area A2 and C2 6 Units	6 Units	Area A1 or 3B5 3 Units	5.3 Units (5.3 units maximum combined credit for both English exams)
Environmental Science	BIOL 259 4 Units	Area B1 and B3 4 Units (B1 and B3, or B2 and B3 if test taken prior to F '09)	4 Units	Area 5A and 5C 3 Units	2.6 Units
French Language/ Language and Culture	FREN 101 and 102 10 Units	Area C2 3 Units (6 Units if passed prior to F '09)	6 Units	Area 3B and 6A 3 Units	5.3 Units
German Language/ Language and Culture	Plan A Area C 3 Units	Area C2 3 Units (6 Units if passed prior to F '09)	6 Units	Area 3B and 6A 3 Units	5.3 Units
Geography: Human	GEOG 102 3 Units	Area D 3 Units	3 Units	Area 4 3 Units	
					2.6 Units
Government and Politics: Comparative	POLT 201 3 Units (also meets Plan A, Area B2)	Area D 3 Units	3 Units	Area 4 3 Units	2.6 Units
Government and Politics: United States	POLT 101 3 Units	Area D 3 Units and completion of the US Constitution and Government portion of the US History Constitution and American Ideals requirement, US-27 (US-2 awarded only if passed after F '09)	3 Units	Area 4 3 Units and completion of the US Constitution and Government portion of the US History Constitution and American Ideals requirement ⁷ (US-2)	2.6 Units
History: European	HIST 102 3 Units Plan A, Area B2 or C	Area C2 or D5 (Area D prior to S '09) 3 Units	6 Units	Area 3B or 45 3 Units	5.3 Units
History: United States	HIST 120 and 121 6 Units Plan A, Area B1 or C	Area C2 or D5 3 Units and completion of the US Constitution and Government portion of the US History Constitution and American Ideals requirement US-17 (US-1 awarded only if passed after F '09)	6 Units	Area 3B or 45 3 Units and completion of the US Constitution and Government portion of the CSU US History Constitution and American Ideals requirement ⁷ (US-1)	5.3 Units
History: World/ World Modern	HIST 102 3 Units (HIST 101 + 102 if passed prior to F '19, 6 Units) Plan A, Area B2 or C	Area C2 or D 3 Units (D awarded only if passed prior to F '09)	3 Units (6 Units if passed prior to F '19)	Area 3B or 45 3 Units	5.3 Units
Italian Language and Culture	Plan A, Area C 3 Units	Area C2 3 Units	6 Units	Area 3B and 6A 3 Units	5.3 Units
Japanese Language and Culture	Plan A, Area C 3 Units	Area C2 3 Units	6 Units	Area 3B and 6A 3 Units	5.3 Units

Advanced Placement Exam	SAC Courses(s)/ Units Awarded (Can also be used On Plan A)	CSU-GE (Plan B) Certification Area/ Semester Units Awarded ¹	CSU Minimum Semester Units Granted ²	Certification Area/ Semester Units Awarded ³	UC Minimum Semester Units Granted ⁴
Latin Literature or Latin: Vergil	Plan A, Area C 3 Units	Area C2 3 Units	6 Units ⁶ (3 Units for Latin: Vergil if passed prior to F '12)	Area 3B and 6A 3 Units	Check UC Campus Catalog
Latin	Plan A, Area C 3 Units	Area C2 3 Units	6 Units	Area 3B and 6A 3 Units	5.3 Units (if passed May '13 or later)
Music Theory	MUS 111 and 112 8 Units	Area C1 3 Units (must be passed prior to F '09)	6 Units (must be passed prior to F '09)	N/A	5.3 Units
Physics B (Available prior to F '15)	PHYS 279 and 289 8 Units	Area B1 and B3 4 Units ⁸ (prior to F '13) (6 Units if passed prior to F '09)	6 Units	Area 5A and 5C 4 Units	Check UC Campus Catalog
Physics 1	Plan A, Area 4 4 Units	Area B1 and B3 4 Units ⁸	4 Units	Area 5A and 5C 4 Units	5.3 Units (5.3 maximum combined credit for all Physics exams)
Physics 2	Plan A, Area 4 4 Units	Area B1 and B3 4 Units ⁸	4 Units	Area 5A and 5C 4 Units	5.3 Units (5.3 maximum combined credit for all Physics exams)
Physics C (Electricity and Magnetism)	PHYS 227 4 Units (also meets Plan A, Area A)	Area B1 and B3 4 Units ⁸	4 Units	Area 5A and 5C 4 Units	2.6 Units (5.3 maximum combined credit for all Physics exams)
Physics C (Mechanics)	PHYS 217 4 Units	Area B1 and B3 4 Units ⁸	4 Units	Area 5A and 5C 4 Units	2.6 Units (5.3 maximum combined credit for all Physics exams)
Pre-Calculus	MATH 170 4 units	Area B4 3 Units	3 Units	N/A	N/A
Psychology	PSYCH 100 3 Units	Area D 3 Units	3 Units	Area 4 3 Units	2.6 Units
Seminar	N/A	N/A	3 Units	N/A	N/A
Spanish Language/	SPAN 101 and 102 10 Units	Area C2 3 Units	6 Units	Area 3B and 6A 3 Units	5.3 Units

1. All CSU campuses will accept toward fulfillment of the minimum units of the designated general education breadth area if the examination is included in full or subject area certification; individual CSU campuses may choose to accept more units than those specified towards completion of general education breadth requirements.
2. This column reflects the number of units each campus systemwide will minimally grant for each exam. These units count toward eligibility for admission. (Not all of these units may apply toward certification of the corresponding GE-Breadth area. See CSU Executive Orders 1036 and 1100 for details. The units may not apply towards Associate Degrees for Transfer (AD-T) or the CSU baccalaureate degree.) Some CSU campuses may award more than the minimum units listed in this column. That information can be found in each CSU catalog.
3. Each AP exam may be applied to one IGETC area as satisfying only one course requirement, with the exception of Language Other Than English. Exams may be used regardless of when the exam was taken.
4. This column reflects the number of units each campus system-wide will grant for each exam. These units count toward eligibility for admission.
5. AP exam may be used in either area regardless of where the SAC discipline is located.
6. Latin Literature 6 units if passed prior to F '09. Latin: Vergil 3 units if passed prior to F '12.
7. This examination only partially fulfills the CSU US History, Constitution, and American Ideals graduation requirement but can be used toward the requirement. (Please note that no AP exam fulfills the California State and Local Government portion, US-3.). See a counselor for more information.
8. If a student passes more than one AP exam in Physics, only six units of credit may be applied to the baccalaureate, and only four units of credit may be applied to certification of CSU GE.