

Advanced Placement Exams

Victor Valley College recognizes achievements by students who have successfully completed Advanced Placement Examinations as authorized by the CollegeBoard. Students who have completed exams in the Advanced Placement Program with a score of 3, 4, or 5 may be granted credit for the purposes of major, general education, elective and/or to serve as prerequisites in the college's sequence of courses.

Students enrolled at Victor Valley College will receive credit for Advanced Placement Examinations if official scores are sent to the Admissions & Records Office and an External Transcript Evaluation is submitted. Please be aware that other institutions may evaluate Advanced Placement credits differently. Students should check with a counselor or the institution to which they plan to transfer for an evaluation of their Advanced Placement credits.

This chart provides information on specific credit awarded at VVC relating to equivalent courses, general education areas cleared, and units awarded. Information related to transfer units for California State University (CSU) and University of California (UC), CSU GE Breadth, IGETC, CalGETC, and UC transfer eligibility is also provided for reference. Please refer to the CSU and UC system websites and IGETC and CalGETC Standards Manuals for updates and additional information. The information presented here is based on the [IGETC version 2.4](#) and [Cal-GETC version 1.2](#) Standard, Policies, and Procedures manuals.

CSU and UC systems have credit limitations. Please see official sources (links below) for information. Individual university campus policies may vary. Please check with each campus website for specific details regarding the awarding of AP credit for each institution.

Duplication with college courses. Students should be advised that college courses taken after passing an AP exam may duplicate AP, IB (International Baccalaureate) and/or A-Level examinations. Additionally, exams may duplicate each other (for example, an AP or IB exam in the same subject area). This may also apply to CLEP (College-Level Examination Program).

If the student does duplicate an exam with another exam of the same subject content, and/or an exam with a college course, VVC and most institutions will award credit only once.

Policy Websites

California Community Colleges

- <https://www.cccco.edu/-/media/CCCCO-Website/docs/memo/ess-23-20-ib-ap-clep-announcement-a11y.pdf> and
- https://www.cccco.edu/-/media/CCCCO-Website/About-Us/Divisions/Educational-Services-and-Support/Academic-Affairs/What-we-do/Curriculum-and-Instruction-Unit/Files/AA17-20_AP_Credit_Policy_Final_pdf.pdf and
- https://www.cccco.edu/-/media/CCCCO-Website/About-Us/Divisions/Educational-Services-and-Support/Academic-Affairs/What-we-do/Curriculum-and-Instruction-Unit/Files/FAQs-CCC-GE-AP-Policy_Atmt-AA17-33_pdf.pdf?la=en&hash=157593898832BDB00CF4C8DC6AA231820CE1DB4D

California State University

- <https://calstate.policystat.com/policy/17652222/latest/> and
- <https://calstate.policystat.com/policy/17651164/latest/#autoid-qjbn9> and
- <https://www.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/pages/advanced-placement-ap.aspx>

University of California

- <https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/ap-exam-credits/ap-credits/>

College Board Advanced Placement (AP) Exam	Passing Score	Equivalent Course at VVC	Sem. Units at VVC	VVC GE and/or Competency Area	Sem. Units at CSU ³	Sem. Units at CSU towards CSU GE	CSU GE Breadth Area	Sem. Units at UC	Sem. Units towards IGETC & CalGETC Area	IGETC Area	CalGETC Area	UC Transfer Eligibility
2-D Art and Design	3, 4, or 5	ART 112	3.0	3	3.0			5.3 ⁷				
3-D Art and Design	3, 4, or 5	ART 113	3.0	3	3.0			5.3 ⁷				
African American Studies	3, 4, or 5							2.6				
Art History	3, 4, or 5	ART 101	3.0	3	6.0	3.0	C1 or C2	5.3	3.0	3A or 3B	3A or 3B	UC-H
Biology	3, 4, or 5	BIOL 100 ¹	4.0	5	6.0	4.0	B2 and B3	5.3	4.0	5B and 5C	5B and 5C	UC-S
Calculus AB	3, 4, or 5	MATH 226	4.0	2	3.0 ⁴	3.0	B4	2.6 ⁹	3.0	2A	2	UC-M
Calculus BC	3	MATH 226	4.0	2	6.0 ⁴	3.0	B4	5.3 ⁹	3.0	2A	2	UC-M
	4 or 5	MATH 226 and 227	8.0	2	6.0 ⁴	3.0	B4	5.3 ⁹	3.0	2A	2	UC-M
Calculus BC/ AB subscore	3, 4, or 5	MATH 226	4.0	2	3.0 ⁴	3.0	B4		3.0	2A	2	
Chemistry	3, 4, or 5	CHEM 201	5.0	5	6.0	4.0	B1 and B3	5.3	4.0	5A and 5C	5A and 5C	UC-S
Chinese Language and Culture	3, 4, or 5		6.0	3	6.0	3.0	C2	5.3	3.0	3B and 6A	3B	UC-H
Comparative Government & Politics	3, 4, or 5	POLS 112	3.0	4	3.0	3.0	D	2.6	3.0	4	4	UC-B
Computer Science A	3, 4 or 5	CIS 201	4.0		3.0 ⁴			5.3				
Computer Science AB	3 or 4	CIS 201	4.0		6.0 ⁴							
	5	CIS 201 and 202	8.0		6.0 ⁴							
Computer Science Principles	3, 4, or 5		6.0	2	6.0 ⁴	3.0	B4	5.3				

Drawing	3, 4, or 5	ART 125	3.0	3	3.0			5.3 ⁷				
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English Language and Composition	3, 4, or 5	ENGL C1000	4.0	1A	6.0	3.0	A2	5.3 ⁸	3.0	1A	1A	UC-E
English Literature and Composition	3, 4, or 5	ENGL C1000 and 102	7.0	1A and 3	6.0	6.0	A2 and C2	5.3 ⁸	3.0	1A or 3B	1A or 3B	UC-E or UC-H
Environmental Science	3, 4, or 5		4.0	5	4.0	4.0	B1 and B3 ⁵	2.6	3.0	5A and 5C ⁵	5A and 5C ⁵	UC-S
European History	3, 4, or 5		6.0	3 or 4	6.0	3.0	C2 or D	5.3	3.0	3B or 4	3B or 4	UC-B or UC-H
French Language and Culture	3, 4, or 5	FREN 101	5.0	3	6.0	3.0	C2	5.3	3.0	3B and 6A	3B	UC-H
German Language and Culture	3, 4, or 5		6.0	3	6.0	3.0	C2	5.3	3.0	3B and 6A	3B	UC-H
Human Geography	3, 4, or 5	GEOG 102	3.0	4	3.0	3.0	D	2.6	3.0	4	4	UC-B
Italian Language and Culture	3, 4, or 5		6.0	3	6.0	3.0	C2	5.3	3.0	3B and 6A	3B	UC-H
Japanese Language and Culture	3, 4, or 5		6.0	3	6.0	3.0	C2	5.3	3.0	3B and 6A	3B	UC-H
Latin	3, 4, or 5		6.0	3	6.0	3.0	C2		3.0	3B and 6A	3B	UC-H
Macroeconomics	3, 4, or 5	ECON 101	3.0	4	3.0	3.0	D	2.6	3.0	4	4	UC-B
Microeconomics	3, 4, or 5	ECON 102	3.0	4	3.0	3.0	D	2.6	3.0	4	4	UC-B
Music Theory ²	3, 4, or 5		3.0	3				5.3				UC-H
Physics 1: Algebra-Based	3, 4, or 5	PHYS 100	4.0	5	4.0 ⁶	4.0 ⁶	B1 and B3	5.3 ¹⁰	4.0	5A and 5C	5A and 5C	UC-S

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Physics 2: Algebra-Based	3, 4, or 5	PHYS 100	4.0	5	4.0 ⁶	4.0 ⁶	B1 and B3	5.3 ¹⁰	4.0	5A and 5C	5A and 5C	UC-S
Physics C (Electricity/Magnetism)	3 or 4		4.0	5	4.0 ⁶	4.0 ⁶	B1 and B3	5.3 ¹⁰	3.0	5A and 5C	5A and 5C	UC-S
	5	PHYS 203	4.0	5	4.0 ⁶	4.0 ⁶	B1 and B3	5.3 ¹⁰	3.0	5A and 5C	5A and 5C	UC-S
Physics C (Mechanics)	3		4.0	5	4.0 ⁶	4.0 ⁶	B1 and B3	5.3 ¹⁰	3.0	5A and 5C	5A and 5C	UC-S
	4 or 5	PHYS 221	4.0	5	4.0 ⁶	4.0 ⁶	B1 and B3	5.3 ¹⁰	3.0	5A and 5C	5A and 5C	UC-S
Precalculus	3, 4, or 5		4.0	2	3.0	3.0	B4					
Psychology	3, 4, or 5	PSYC C1000	3.0	4	3.0	3.0	D	2.6	3.0	4	4	UC-B
Seminar	3, 4, or 5		3.0		3.0							
Spanish Language and Culture	3, 4, or 5	SPAN 101 or SPAN 101A and 101B	5.0 or 6.0	3	6.0	3.0	C2	5.3	3.0	3B and 6A	3B	UC-H
Spanish Literature and Culture	3	SPAN 101	5.0	3	6.0	3.0	C2	5.3	3.0	3B and 6A	3B	UC-H
	4 or 5	SPAN 101 and 102	10.0	3	6.0	3.0	C2	5.3	3.0	3B and 6A	3B	UC-H
Statistics	3, 4, or 5	STAT C1000	4.0	2	3.0	3.0	B4	2.6	3.0	2A	2	UC-M
U.S. Government and Politics	3, 4, or 5	POLS C1000	3.0	4 and AI	3.0	3.0	D and US-2	2.6	3.0	4 and US-2	4 and US-2	UC-B

U.S. History	3, 4, or 5	HIST 117 and 118	6.0	3 or 4, and AI	6.0	3.0	C2 or D, and US-1	5.3	3.0	3B or 4, and US-1	3B or 4, and US-1	UC-B or UC-H
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World History	3, 4, or 5		6.0	3 or 4	6.0	3.0	C2 or D					
World History – Modern	3, 4, or 5	HIST 104	3.0	3 or 4	3.0	3.0	C2 or D	5.3	3.0	3B or 4	3B or 4	UC-B or UC-H

Footnotes

VVC Limitations

1. AP Biology exam equivalent course will not be used in lieu of published course prerequisites for BIOL 221 – Microbiology and BIOL 231 – Human Physiology. An appropriate college course must be completed prior to admission into these advanced biology courses.
2. AP Music Theory exam will only result in elective credit at VVC. Students will still need to complete a pre-test to determine which class in the Music Theory sequence is best for them to start.

CSU Limitations

Earlier versions of AP Exams have been removed from previous versions of CSU General Education and graduation requirements. Check CSU websites for guidance.

3. These units count toward CSU admission eligibility only. Refer to the [CSU Credit for Prior Learning](#) policy for additional guidance.
4. If a student passes more than one AP exam in calculus or computer science, only one examination may be applied to the baccalaureate.
5. Students who pass AP Environmental Science earn 4 units of credit. Tests prior to Fall 2009 may apply either to 5A+5C or 5B+5C towards CSU GE. Fall 2009 or later, those credits may only apply to 5A+5C.
6. If a student passes more than one AP exam in physics, only 6 units of credit may be applied to the baccalaureate, and only 4 units of credit may be applied to the CSU GE area.

UC Limitations

UC system has a systemwide policy for admission and GE. Note, even an exam with multiple designations can only meet one requirement. In addition, credit per campus and major vary. See <https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/ap-exam-credits/ap-credits/> and search by campus for further details.

7. Art and Design, maximum 5.3 units for all three exams.
8. English, maximum 5.3 units for both exams.
9. Calculus, maximum 5.3 for both exams.
10. Physics, maximum 5.3 units for all exams.

Additional notes:

- a) Calculus BC Exam, AB subscore. Students who take the Calculus BC examination and earn a subscore of 3 or higher on the Calculus AB portion will receive 2.6 semester units for the Calculus AB examination, even if they do not receive a score of 3 or higher on the BC examination (note that the maximum credit awarded for both exams is 5.3 semester units).
- b) No credit is awarded for the Precalculus exam offered in 2024 and beyond.
- c) Music Theory subscore. UC will grant credit for the full Music Theory exam. Students who earn only a subscore will not receive exam credit.

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