

VVC Academic Senate 1st Reading – March 2, 2017 - APPROVED

CLEP Applicability for Victor Valley College (and Cal State University) General Education

The College Board, with support from the Carnegie Corporation of New York, has established the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) to evaluate, confirm, and assess college-level achievement acquired outside of the conventional academic environment. The CLEP is divided into general exams that measure college-level achievement in five basic areas of the liberal arts and over 30 subject exams measuring achievement in specific college subjects. CLEP credit is awarded in accordance with the American Council on Education (ACE) recommendations. The VVC Academic Faculty Senate, as recommended by the Academic Senate for the California Community Colleges, has endorsed the examination subject areas listed below.

<u>CLEP Examination</u>	<u>VVC GE AREAS</u>	<u>CSU GE AREAS</u>	<u>Passing Score</u>	<u>Units</u>
American Government	Social/Behavioral Science	D8	50	3
American Literature	Humanities	C2	50	3
Analyzing and Interpreting Literature	Humanities	C2	50	3
Biology	Natural Science	B2	50	3
Calculus	Mathematics	B4	50	3
Chemistry	Natural Science	B1	50	3
College Algebra	Mathematics	B4	50	3
College Algebra/Trigonometry	Mathematics	B4	50	3
English Literature	Humanities	C2	50	3
French Level II**	Humanities	C2	59	3
German Level II**	Humanities	C2	60	3
History, United States I	Humanities or S/B Science	D6+US-1	50	3
History, United States II	Humanities or S/B Science	D6+US-1	50	3
Human Growth and Development	Social/Behavioral Science	E	50	3
Humanities	Humanities	C2	50	3
Introductory Psychology	Social/Behavioral Science	D	50	3
Introductory Sociology	Social/Behavioral Science	D	50	3
Natural Sciences	Natural Science	B1 or B2	50	3
Pre-Calculus	Mathematics	B4	50	3
Principles of Macroeconomics	Social/Behavioral Science	D2	50	3
Principles of Microeconomics	Social/Behavioral Science	D2	50	3
Spanish Level II**	Humanities	C2	63	3
Western Civilization I	Humanities or S/B Science	C2 or D6	50	3
Western Civilization II	Humanities or S/B Science	D6	50	3

Important Advisories:

- CLEP credit applies to areas within the Associate Degree general education pattern. **CLEP credit is not guaranteed to be used in lieu of required course prerequisites.** Submit a Prerequisite Challenge Form to the Vice President of Instruction's office, along with CLEP credit and other documentation, to have the appropriate academic department consider approving a possible exception.
- Read the "Credit by Examination" section in this catalog. A maximum of 32 units earned through non-traditional means may apply toward the Associate Degree.
- **VVC's Nursing and Respiratory Therapy programs do not accept CLEP exam credit.**
- Four-year colleges and universities may impose transfer limitations on credit earned through CLEP and other non-traditional means. Therefore, students who plan to transfer should consult with the transfer school to determine the transferability of credit earned by examination. The University of California does not grant credit for CLEP.
- The nearest CLEP test sites are at La Sierra University in Riverside and the University of Phoenix in Ontario. The phone numbers are (951) 785-2896 and (800) 888-1968, respectively (subject to change).

****NOTE for CSU GE applicability:** If a student passes more than one CLEP test in the same language other than English (e.g., two exams in French), then only one examination may be applied to the CSU baccalaureate. For each test in a language other than English, a passing score of 50 is considered "Level I" and earns six units of baccalaureate credit; the higher score listed for each test is considered "Level II" and earns additional units of credit and placement in Area C2 of the CSU GE Breadth, as noted. (Level I = 6 units of baccalaureate credit. Level II = Placement in Area C2 of the CSU GE Breadth, plus additional credit).