

- International coursework from non-United States regionally accredited institutions (Except LOTE, see Section 10.6)
- Personal, Practical, Skills Courses
- Introductory courses to professional programs
- Performance Courses
- Creative Writing
- Logic
- Computer Science
- Trigonometry, unless combined with college algebra or pre-calculus
- Course outlines written in a language other than English.

Courses with fewer than 3 semester or 4 quarter units. Exceptions: 3 quarter unit or 2 semester unit Math and English courses that satisfy IGETC Areas 1A or 2 may be applied if they are part of a sequence and at least two of the 3 quarter unit or 2 semester unit sequence courses have each been completed with a “C” grade or higher (2.0 on a 4.0 scale). The course sequence must meet the rigors and breadth of IGETC.

## ***7.0 Credit by External Exams***

There is no limit on the number of external exams that can be applied to IGETC. External exams may be used regardless of when the exam was taken.

### **7.1 Advanced Placement (AP)**

A score of 3, 4 or 5 is required to grant credit for IGETC certification. An acceptable AP score for IGETC equates to either 3 semester or 4 quarter units for certification purposes. Each AP exam may be applied to one IGETC area as satisfying one course requirement, with the exception of Language other Than English (LOTE). Please see Section 10.6.3. Students who have earned credit from an AP exam should not take a comparable college course because transfer credit will not be granted for both.

- There is no equivalent AP exam for Area 1B- Critical Thinking/Composition requirement.
- Students earning scores of 3, 4 or 5 in a Physical or Biological science AP examination earn credit toward IGETC Area 5 and meet the IGETC Laboratory activity requirement.
- AP exams in Biology, Chemistry, Physics 1, Physics 2 or Physics B allow CCC campuses to apply 4 semester or 5 quarter units to IGETC certification.
- AP exams in Environmental Science, Physics C: Mechanics and Physics C: Electricity/Magnetism allow CCC campuses to apply 3 semester or 4 quarter units are applied for IGETC certification; Note: Students who complete these exams will be required to complete at least 4 semester or 5 quarter units to satisfy the minimum required units for Area 5. Please see Section 10.5 more details.

AP EXAMINATION	IGETC AREA	AP EXAMINATION	IGETC AREA
Art History*	3A or 3B*	U.S. Government & Politics	4 and US 2
Biology	5B and 5C	Human Geography	4
Calculus AB	2A	Italian Language & Culture	3B and 6A
Calculus BC	2A	Japanese Language & Culture	3B and 6A
Calculus BC/ AB sub score	2A	Latin Literature or Latin: Vergil	3B and 6A
Chemistry	5A and 5C	Latin	3B and 6A
Chinese Language & Culture	3B and 6A	Physics 1	5A and 5C
Macroeconomics	4	Physics 2	5A and 5C
Microeconomics	4	Physics B	5A and 5C
English Language/Composition	1A	Physics C mechanics	5A and 5C
English Literature/Composition*	1A or 3B*	Physics C electricity/magnetism	5A and 5C
Environmental Science	5A and 5C	Psychology	4
European History*	3B or 4*	Spanish Language & Culture	3B and 6A
French Language & Culture	3B and 6A	Spanish Literature & Culture	3B and 6A
French Literature	3B and 6A	Statistics	2A
German Language & Culture	3B and 6A	U.S. History*	(3B or 4*) and US 1
Comparative Government & Politics	4	World History*	3B or 4*

\*AP exams may be used in either area regardless of where the certifying CCC's discipline is located.

**Example:** U.S. History at a CCC is approved for Area 3B. The U.S. History AP may be used in Areas 3B or Area 4.

Actual AP transfer credit awarded for these and other AP exams for admission is determined by the CSU and UC. The UC Policy for AP credit can be found at: <http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/exam-credit/ap-credits/index.html>

The CSU also has a system-wide policy for these and other AP exams for awarding transfer credit for admission. The CSU policy for AP can be found at [http://www.calstate.edu/acadaff/codedmemos/asa-2019-03\\_attachment\\_1.xlsx](http://www.calstate.edu/acadaff/codedmemos/asa-2019-03_attachment_1.xlsx)

## 7.2 International Baccalaureate (IB)

A score of 5, 6 or 7 on Higher Level exams is required to grant credit for IGETC certification. An acceptable IB score for IGETC equates to either 3 semester or 4 quarter units for certification purposes.

Students who have earned credit from an IB exam should not take a comparable college course because transfer credit will not be granted for both.

<b>International Baccalaureate (IB)</b>	<b>IGETC AREA</b>
IB Biology HL	5B
IB Chemistry HL	5A
IB Economics HL	4
IB Geography HL	4
IB History (any region) HL	3B or 4*
IB Language A: Literature (any language, except English) HL	3B and 6A
IB Language A: Language and Literature (any language, except English ) HL	3B and 6A
IB Language A: Literature (any language) HL	3B
IB Language A: Language and Literature (any language) HL	3B
IB Language B (any language) HL	6A
IB Mathematics HL	2A
IB Physics HL	5A
IB Psychology HL	4
IB Theatre HL	3A

\*IB exam may be used in either area regardless of where the certifying CCC’s discipline is located.

**Example:** History at a CCC is approved for Area 3B. The History IB may be used in Areas 3B or Area 4.

Actual IB transfer credit awarded for these and other IB exams for admission is determined by the CSU and UC. The UC Policy for IB credit can be found at: <http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/exam-credit/ib-credits/index.html> .

The CSU also has a system-wide policy for these and other IB exams for awarding transfer credit for admission. The CSU policy for IB can be found at [http://www.calstate.edu/acadaff/codedmemos/asa-2019-03\\_attachment\\_3.xlsx](http://www.calstate.edu/acadaff/codedmemos/asa-2019-03_attachment_3.xlsx)

### **7.3 College Level Examination Program (CLEP)**

CLEP cannot be used on IGETC. However, the CSU has a system-wide policy for CLEP exams and awarding transfer credit for admission based on these exams. The CSU policy for CLEP can be found at [http://www.calstate.edu/acadaff/codedmemos/asa-2019-03\\_attachment\\_2.xlsx](http://www.calstate.edu/acadaff/codedmemos/asa-2019-03_attachment_2.xlsx)

### **7.4 Other Exams**

College Board and ACT exams cannot be used to satisfy IGETC requirements (e.g. SAT I, SAT II, Subject Tests, Achievement Tests).

**Exceptions:** AP exams as listed in Section 7.1 and SAT Subject Tests (formerly SAT II) with at least the minimum scores for Language Other Than English (LOTE) as specified in Section 10.6.1 may be used.

Credit by exam is acceptable provided that a United States regionally accredited college or university transcript specifies the course title, unit value, grade and is posted to a specific term. A “Credit/Pass” designation is acceptable provided that the institution’s

policy states that a “Credit/Pass” designation is equivalent to a “C” grade or higher (2.0 grade points on a 4.0 scale). The course must be deemed comparable by the CCC faculty in the discipline or its designee (e.g., Articulation Officer) as defined in Section 5.2.

## ***8.0 Unit Value***

### **8.1 Minimum Unit Value**

A course must have a minimum unit value of 3 semester or 4 quarter units to meet the requirements for IGETC. Laboratory courses intended to accompany lecture courses are an exception to this guideline, see Section 10.5.3. It is not allowable to take three 1 semester unit courses to fulfill a 3 semester unit requirement. As a rule, the content of a 1 unit course will not provide the depth, scope and rigor of a single 3 unit course (See exception below).

**Exception:** 3 quarter unit or 2 semester unit Math and English courses that satisfy IGETC Areas 1A or 2 may be applied if 1) they are a part of a sequence, 2) at least two of the 3 quarter unit or 2 semester unit courses as part of the same sequence have each been completed with “C” grade or higher (2.0 on a 4.0 scale), and 3) the course sequence must meet the rigor and breadth of IGETC Standards. (See Section/s 10.1.1 and/or 10.2)

**Example A:** Student takes English 101, 102, and 103 (3 quarter units each). The CCC certifying college may apply any combination of 101, 102 or 103 that have been completed with a “C” grade or higher (2.0 on a 4.0 scale) for a total of six quarter units to satisfy Area 1A as long as the combination of courses meet the rigor and breadth of the IGETC Standards in Section 10.1.1.

**Example B:** Student takes Math 121 - Calculus A (3 quarter units) and Math 122 - Calculus B (3 quarter units) and completes each course with a “C” grade or higher (2.0 on a 4.0 scale). Calculus 121 and 122 are the same as Calculus 120 - Calculus (6 quarter units). The certifying CCC campus may apply Math 121 and 122, for a total of 6 quarter units, to IGETC Area 2 as long as the courses meet the rigor and breadth of the IGETC Standards in Section 10.2.

**Example C:** Student takes English 100 and 105 (2 semester units each and each course requires students to write a minimum of 3,000 words). The CCC certifying college may apply English 100 and 105, for a total of 4 semester units, to satisfy IGETC Area 1A as long as the courses meet the rigor and breadth of the IGETC Standards in Section 10.1.1.

### **8.2 Combining Quarter and Semester Units**

When combining quarter and semester unit values within an IGETC area, units shall be converted to either all quarter units or all semester units to benefit the student. For example, in Social/Behavioral Sciences (Area 4), a student needs either a minimum of 9 semester units or 12 quarter units. If a student has satisfactorily completed (C grade or higher) one 4 quarter unit course and two 3 semester unit courses, convert the semester units to quarter units (6 units x 1.5 quarter units = 9 quarter units). The student will be