

Advanced Placement Credit: College and Major Exemptions

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The University of California San Diego grants credit for most College Board Advanced Placement (AP) Tests on which a student scores 3 or higher. The credit may be subject credit for use on prerequisites to a major, credit for general education requirements, or elective units for graduation. The number of units granted for AP tests are not counted toward the maximum number of credits required for formal declaration of an undergraduate major. College courses taken before or after attending UC might duplicate AP exams. Additionally, exams might duplicate each other (for example, an AP or IB exam in the same subject area). If the student does duplicate an exam with another exam of the same subject content, and/or an exam with a college course, we will award credit only once. **Credit and placement listed is based on 2022-2023 exams. AP Credit is subject to change.**

| Exam | Units | Score | Exemptions or Use on Major | Revelle College Requirement | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Art History | 8 | 3, 4, or 5 | None | Fulfills fine arts requirement | |
| Art (Studio) | 8 | 3, 4, or 5 | None | Fulfills fine arts requirement *8-unit maximum for all tests | |
| Biology | 8 | 3 | Exempt BILD 10; may take BILD 1, 2, 3 | 1 course for Biology requirement, and 1 additional course toward Natural Science requirement | |
| | | 4 or 5 | Exempt BILD 1, 2 and 3 | | |
| Chemistry | 8 | 3 | Exempt CHEM 4 | 1 course for Chemistry requirement, and 1 additional course toward Natural Science requirement | |
| | | 4 | Exempt CHEM 4; may take CHEM 6A, 6B, 6C or CHEM 6AH, 6BH, 6CH | | |
| | | 5 | Exempt CHEM 6A, 6B, 6C; CHEM 6AH, 6BH, 6CH encouraged for those continuing in chemistry or for professional schools | | |
| Computer Science | 8 | 3 | None | Elective units | |
| | | 4 or 5 | Exempt CSE 8A; should take CSE 11 | | |
| | 8 | 3 | None | | |
| | | 4 or 5 | Exempt CSE 3 | | |
| Economics | 4 for each | 3 or 4 | None | Each score of 3, 4, or 5 meets 1 course of social science requirement | |
| | 4 | 5 | Exempt ECON 1 | | |
| | 4 | 5 | Exempt ECON 3 | | |
| English | 8 | 3, 4, or 5 | Meets the Entry Level Writing Requirement | Elective units and clears Entry Level Writing Requirement. *8-unit maximum for both tests | |
| | 8 | 3, 4, or 5 | | | |
| Environmental Science | 4 | 3 | None | Elective units | |
| | 4 | 4 or 5 | Exempt ESYS 10 | One course towards natural science requirement | |
| Government & Politics | 4 | 3, 4, or 5 | Satisfies American History and Institutions | 1 course for social science requirement | |
| | | 5 | Exempt POLI 10 | | |
| | 4 | 3 or 4 | None | 1 course for social science requirement | |
| | | 5 | Exempt POLI 11 | | |
| History | 8 | 3, 4, or 5 | Exempt 2 quarters U.S. History; may take HILD 2A, 2B or 2C. Satisfies American History and Institutions. | Fulfills social science requirement | |
| | 8 | 3, 4, or 5 | None | Elective units | |
| | 8 | 3, 4, or 5 | | | |
| Human Geography | 4 | 3, 4, or 5 | None | Elective units | |
| Language other than English | Chinese | 8 | 3 | Consult Chinese Studies | Petition for proficiency if placement by Chinese Studies Department is above CHIN 20A |
| | | 4 or 5 | Consult Chinese Studies | Meets language proficiency requirement | |
| | French | 8 | 3 | Exempt LIFR 1C/1CX | Enroll in LIFR 1D/DX or LTFR 2A for language proficiency |
| | | 4 | Exempt LIFR 1D/1DX or LTFR 2A | Meets language proficiency requirement | |
| | | 5 | Exempt LTFR 2B | | |
| | German | 8 | 3 | Exempt LIGM 1C/1CX | Enroll in LIGM 1D/DX or LTGM 2A for language proficiency |
| | | 4 | Exempt LIGM 1D/1DX or LTGM 2A | Meets language proficiency requirement | |
| | | 5 | Exempt LTGM 2B | | |
| | Italian | 8 | 3 | Exempt LIIT 1C/1CX | Enroll in LIIT 1D/DX or LTIT 2A for language proficiency |
| | | 4 | Exempt LIIT 1D/1DX or LTIT 2A | Meets language proficiency requirement | |
| | | 5 | Exempt LTIT 2B | | |
| | Japanese | 8 | 3 | Consult Japanese Studies | Elective units only |
| 4 or 5 | | Consult Japanese Studies | Meets language proficiency requirement | | |
| Spanish | 8 | 3 | Exempt LISP 1C/1CX | Enroll in LISP 1D/DX or LTSP 2A for language proficiency | |
| | 4 | Exempt LISP 1D/1DX or LTSP 2A | Meets language proficiency requirement | | |
| | 5 | Exempt LTSP 2B | | | |
| Latin | 4 | 3, 4, or 5 | Exempt LTLA 1, 2, 3 | Usually prepares student to take LTLA 100 to meet language proficiency requirement | |
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| Literature | Spanish | 8 | 3 | Exempt LISP 1D/DX or LTSP 2A | Meets language proficiency requirement |
| | | 4 | Exempt LTSP 2B | | |
| | | 5 | Exempt LTSP 2C | | |
| Mathematics | *Calculus AB | 4 | 3 | Exempt MATH 10A | AB exam = 1 course for math requirement |
| | | 4 or 5 | Exempt MATH 20A or 10A | | |
| | *Calculus BC | 8 | 3 | Exempt MATH 20A or 10A, and MATH 10B | BC exam = 2 courses for math requirement |
| | | 4 or 5 | Exempt MATH 20A and 20B - or MATH 10A and 10B | *8-unit maximum for both tests | |
| Music | Theory | 8 | 3, 4, or 5 | None | Fulfills fine arts requirement |
| Physics | *Physics 1 or 2 | 8 | 3, 4, or 5 | Exempt PHYS 10 | 1 course for Physics requirement and 1 course toward Natural Science requirement |
| | *Physics C Mechanics | 4 | 3 | Exempt PHYS 1A | Each 4 units of Physics C exams can meet 1 course for the Physics or Natural Science requirement. *8-unit maximum for all three tests |
| | | 4 or 5 | Exempt PHYS 1A or 2A | | |
| | *Physics C Electricity & Magnetism | 4 | 3 | Exempt PHYS 1B | |
| 4 or 5 | | Exempt PHYS 1B or 2B | | | |
| Psychology | | 4 | 3 | None | 1 course for social science requirement |
| | | 4 or 5 | Exempt PSYC 1 | | |
| Statistics | 4 | 3, 4, or 5 | None | 1 course for math requirement | |