

EXTERNAL EXAMS

Credit awarded for external exams at Evergreen Valley College is limited to Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), and College Level Examination Program (CLEP) exams. These credits may be applied toward general education and elective requirements for an Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS), and/or Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) at Evergreen Valley College.

The charts provided in this section list how Evergreen Valley College grants credit for AP, IB, and CLEP exam scores. Credit towards general education requirements is applied based on California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) approvals, which is used by students who plan to transfer to a California State University (CSU) or University of California (UC) campus.

While this information reflects Evergreen Valley College's policies, the acceptance and use of external exam credit may vary at other institutions. The use of exam scores for admission eligibility, elective units, or major preparation is determined by each individual transfer campus.

To learn more about how California's public university systems evaluate external exams, visit the following websites:

- **California State University (CSU) Exam Credit Policies:** CSU AP, IB, and CLEP Credit
- **University of California (UC) Exam Credit Policies:** UC AP and IB Credit

For campus-specific policies, refer to the college catalog of your intended transfer institution. Since policies regarding credit can differ even within the same university system, students are strongly encouraged to meet with a counselor to review how their exam scores may apply to their educational and transfer goals.

Advanced Placement (AP) Exams

Students with scores of 3, 4, or 5 on Advanced Placement (AP) examinations may earn credit toward Evergreen Valley College (EVC) General Education (GE) for AA, AS, ADT, and Cal-GETC requirements in accordance with the chart below. 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. Official College Board transcripts must be submitted to EVC Admissions and Records Office.

GE credits and units granted at EVC may differ from course credit and units granted by the transfer institution. Additionally, transfer institutions may require a score higher than a 3 on an AP exam to meet campus-specific GE or major preparation requirements. Students who have earned AP credit should consult the transfer institution catalog and meet with an EVC counselor to discuss how that credit may be applied at a transfer institution.

Please note: the information below was current as of June 30, 2025.

AP Exam	ADT/AA/AS GE (Cal-GETC) Area	GE (Cal-GETC) Units	Degree Elective Units	Total Units Applied to Degree
2D Art & Design	N/A	N/A	3	3

3D Art & Design	N/A	N/A	3	3
African American Studies	N/A	N/A	3	3
Art History	3A or 3B	3	3	6
Biology	5B and 5C	4	2	6
Calculus AB *	2	3	0	3
Calculus BC *	2	3	3	6
Calculus BC / AB Subscore *	2	3	0	3
Chemistry	5A and 5C	4	2	6
Chinese Language & Culture	3B	3	3	6
Comparative Government & Politics	4	3	0	3
Computer Science A *	N/A	N/A	3	3
Computer Science Principles *	N/A	N/A	6	6
Drawing	N/A	N/A	3	3
English Language & Composition	1A	3	3	3
English Literature & Composition	1A or 3B	3	3	6
Environmental Science	5A and 5C	4	0	4
European History	3B or 4	3	3	6
French Language & Culture	3B	3	3	6
German Language & Culture	3B	3	3	6
Human Geography	4	3	0	3
Italian Language & Culture	3B	3	3	6
Japanese Language & Culture	3B	3	3	6
Latin	3B	3	3	6
Macroeconomics	4	3	0	3
Microeconomics	4	3	0	3
Physics 1: Algebra-Based	5A and 5C	4	0	4

Physics 2: Algebra-Based	5A and 5C	4	0	4
Physics C: Electricity/Magnetism	5A and 5C	4	0	4
Physics C: Mechanics	5A and 5C	4	0	4
Pre-calculus	N/A	N/A	3	3
Psychology	4	3	0	3
Spanish Language & Culture	3B	3	3	6
Spanish Literature & Culture	3B	3	3	6

Statistics	2	3	0	3
U.S. Government & Politics	4 (and US-2)	3	0	3
U.S. History	3B or 4 (and US-1)	3	3	6
World History: Modern	3B or 4	3	0	3
Seminar	N/A	N/A	3	3

* If a student passes more than one AP exam in calculus or computer science, only one examination may be applied to the baccalaureate.

** 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 Cal-GETC certification.

International Baccalaureate (IB)

A score of 5, 6 or 7 on Higher Level (HL) exams is required to grant credit for Cal-GETC certification. An acceptable IB score for Cal-GETC equates to 3 semester 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. Official IB scores must be submitted to the Evergreen Valley College (EVC) Admissions and Records Office.

General Education credits and units granted at EVC may differ from course credit and units granted by the transfer institution. Students who have earned IB credit should consult the transfer institution catalog and meet with an EVC counselor to discuss how that credit may be applied at a transfer institution.

IB Exam	Passing Score	ADT/AA/AS GE (Cal-GETC) Area	GE (Cal-GETC) Units	Degree Elective Units	Total Units Applied to Degree
Biology HL	5	5B	3	0	3
Chemistry	5	5A	3	0	3
Economics HL	5	4	3	0	3
Geography HL	5	4	3	0	3
History (any region) HL	5	3B or 4	3	0	3
Language A Literature HL (all languages)	5	3B	3	0	3
Language A Language and Literature HL (all languages)	5	3B	3	0	3
Mathematics HL: Analysis & Approaches	5	2	3	0	3
Mathematics HL: Applications and Interpretations	5	2	3	0	3
Physics HL	5	5A	3	0	3
Psychology HL	5	4	3	0	3
Theatre HL	5	3A	3	0	3

College Level Examination Program (CLEP)

CLEP exams cannot be applied toward Cal-GETC, AA GE, or AS GE requirements and **only counts as elective units**. Official CLEP transcripts must be submitted to EVC Admissions and Records Office.

Elective credit granted at Evergreen Valley College (EVC) may differ from credit and units awarded by a transfer institution. However, the CSU Systemwide Credit for External Examinations can be used to award transfer credit for admission or to fulfill CSU General Education requirements. Students who have earned CLEP credit should consult the

transfer institution catalog and meet with an EVC counselor to discuss how that credit may be applied at a transfer institution.

CLEP Exam	Passing Score	Total Units Applied to Degree
American Government	50	3
American Literature	50	3
Analyzing and Interpreting Literature	50	3
Biology	50	3
Calculus	50	3

Chemistry	50	3
College Algebra	50	3
College Algebra - Trigonometry	50	3
College Composition	50	0
College Composition – Modular	50	0
College Mathematics	50	0
English Composition (no essay)	50	0
English Composition with Essay	50	0
Financial Accounting	50	3
French Level I*	50	6
French Level II	59	9
Freshman College Composition	50	0
German Level I*	50	6
German Level II*	60	9
History, United States I**	50	3
History, United States II**	50	3
Human Growth and Development	50	3
Humanities	50	3
Information Systems and Computer Applications	50	3
Introduction to Educational Psychology	50	3
Introductory Business Law	50	3
Introductory Psychology	50	3
Introductory Sociology	50	3
Natural Sciences	50	3
Pre-Calculus	50	3
Principles of Accounting	50	3
Principles of Macroeconomics	50	3
Principles of Management	50	3
Principles of Marketing	50	3
Principles of Microeconomics	50	3
Social Sciences and History	50	0
Spanish Level I*	50	6
Spanish Level II*	63	9
Spanish with Writing I	50	6
Spanish with Writing II	63	9
Western Civilization I	50	3
Western Civilization II	50	3

* 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 Associate Degree.

** A passing score on this exam qualifies for the U.S. History American Ideals graduation requirement (US-1).