2026-2027 RCCD Advanced Placement (AP) Examination Credit Chart

AP Examination	AP Score	RCCD Associate Degree Subject Credit	RCCD Unit Credit	RCCD GE	CSU Semester Units Earned Toward Transfer	Cal-GETC	UC Semester Units Earned Toward Transfer
African American Studies	3,4,5	**General Elective**	3	N/A	3	N/A	2.6
Art History	3,4,5	**Art History C1100 and C1200**	3+3	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3A or 3B	5.3
Biology	3,4,5	**Biology 1**	4	Area 5	6	4 semester units toward Area 5B and 5C	5.3
Calculus AB (or Calculus BC/AB Sub-Score)	3,4,5	**Math C2210**	4	Area 2	3 (If a student passes more than one exam in Calculus only one exam may be applied.)	3 semester units toward Area 2	2.6 (Maximum credit 5.3 semester units for both Math AB and Math BC exams.)
Calculus BC	3,4,5	**Math C2210 and C2220**	4+4	Area 2	6 (If a student passes more than one exam in Calculus only one exam may be applied.)	3 semester units toward Area 2	5.3 (Maximum credit 5.3 semester units for both Math AB and Math BC exams.)
Chemistry ***-Exam taken prior to Fall 2009***	3,4,5	**Chemistry 2A or 3**	4	Area 5	6	4 semester units toward Area 5A and 5C	5.3
Chemistry ***-Exam taken Fall 2009 or later***	3,4,5	**Chemistry 2A or 3**	4	Area 5	6	4 semester units toward Area 5A and 5C	5.3
Chinese Language and Culture	3,4,5	**Chinese 1 and 2**	5+5	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3
Comparative Government & Politics	3,4,5	**Political Science 2**	3	Area 4	3	3 semester units toward Area 4	2.6

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Computer Science A	3,4,5	**CIS/CSC Elective**	3	N/A	3 (If a student passes more than one exam in Computer Science only one exam may be applied.)	N/A	5.3 (beginning May 2018)
Computer Science AB ***-Exam was discontinued after May 2009***	3,4,5	**CIS/CSC Elective**	3	N/A	6 (If a student passes more than one exam in Computer Science only one exam may be applied.)	N/A	2.6 (Maximum credit 2.6 semester units for both Computer Science A and AB exams if taken when both exams were offered.)
Computer Science Principles	3,4,5	**CIS/CSC GE Elective**	3	Area 2	6 (If a student passes more than one exam in Computer Science only one exam may be applied.)	N/A	5.3
English Language and Composition	3,4,5	**English C1000**	4	Area 1A	6	3 semester units toward Area 1A	5.3 (Maximum credit 5.3 semester units for both English Language/Composition and English Literature/Composition exams.)
English Literature and Composition	3,4,5	**English C1000 and English Literature Elective** (Elective units may be used towards AOEs in Communication, Media, and Languages and Humanities, Philosophy, and Arts. They may also be applied towards List C of the ADT in English.)	4+3	Area 1A and 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 1A or 3B	5.3 (Maximum credit 5.3 semester units for both English Language/Composition and English Literature/Composition exams.)

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Environmental Science ***-Exam taken prior to Fall 2009***	3,4,5	**Biology 19** (AP exam also includes a laboratory component which satisfies the lab requirement of the Math and Science AOE.)	3	Area 5	4	3 semester units toward Area 5A and 5C	2.6
Environmental Science ***-Exam taken Fall 2009 or later***	3,4,5	**Biology 19** (AP exam also includes a laboratory component which satisfies the lab requirement of the Math and Science AOE.)	3	Area 5	4	3 semester units toward Area 5A and 5C	2.6
European History	3,4,5	**History 5**	3	Area 3 or 4	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B or 4	5.3
French Language ***-Exam taken prior to 2009***	3,4,5	**French 1 and 2**	5+5	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3
French Language ***-Exam taken between Fall 2009 and Fall 2011. Exam offered until 2011.***	3,4,5	**French 1 and 2**	5+5	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3
French Language and Culture	3,4,5	**French 1 and 2**	5+5	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3
French Literature ***-Exam offered until 2009***	3, 4,5	**French Elective**	3	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3
German Language ***-Exam taken prior to Fall 2009***	3,4,5	**German 1 and 2**	5+5	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3

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German Language ***-Exam taken between Fall 2009 and Fall 2011. Exam offered until 2011.***	3,4,5	**German 1 and 2**	5+5	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3
German Language and Culture	3,4,5	**German 1 and 2**	5+5	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3
Human Geography	3,4,5	**Geography 2**	3	Area 4	3	3 semester units toward Area 4	2.6
Italian Language and Culture	3,4,5	**Italian 1 and 2**	5+5	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3
Japanese Language and Culture	3,4,5	**Japanese 1 and 2**	5+5	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3
Latin Literature ***-Exam offered until 2009***	3,4,5	**Latin 1 and 2**	5+5	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	2.6
Latin Vergil ***-Exam offered until 2012***	3,4,5	**Latin 1 and 2**	5+5	Area 3	3	3 semester units toward Area 3B	2.6
Latin	3,4,5	**Latin 1 and 2**	5+5	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3
Macroeconomics	3,4,5	**Economics C2002**	3	Area 4	3	3 semester units toward Area 4	2.6
Microeconomics	3,4,5	**Economics C2001**	3	Area 4	3	3 semester units toward Area 4	2.6
Music Theory ***-Exam taken prior to Fall 2009***	3	**Music Elective**	3	Area 3	6	N/A	5.3
Music Theory ***-Exam taken prior to Fall 2009***	4,5	**Music 3**	4	Area 3	6	N/A	5.3
Music Theory ***-Exam taken Fall 2009 or later***	3	**Music Elective**	3	Area 3	6	N/A	5.3
Music Theory ***-Exam taken Fall 2009 or later***	4,5	**Music 3**	4	Area 3	6	N/A	5.3

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Physics 1	3,4,5	**Physics 10 and 11** (If a student passes both Physics 1 and 2 AP exams they will earn credit for PHY-10/11 + 2 units of Physics Electives.)	4	Area 5	4 (If a student passes more than one AP exam in Physics a maximum of 6 units may be applied.)	4 semester units toward Area 5A and 5C	5.3 (Maximum credit 5.3 semester units for all Physics exams.)
Physics 2	3,4,5	**Physics 10 and 11** (If a student passes both Physics 1 and 2 AP exams they will earn credit for PHY-10/11 + 2 units of Physics Electives.)	4	Area 5	4 (If a student passes more than one AP exam in Physics a maximum of 6 units may be applied.)	4 semester units toward Area 5A and 5C	5.3 (Maximum credit 5.3 semester units for all Physics exams.)
Physics B ***-Exam taken prior to Fall 2009***	3,4,5	**Physics 2A and 2B**	4+4	Area 5	6 (If a student passes more than one AP exam in Physics a maximum of 6 units may be applied.)	4 semester units toward Area 5A and 5C	5.3 (Maximum credit 5.3 semester units for all Physics exams.)
Physics B ***-Exam taken between Fall 2009 and 2014. Exam offered until 2014.***	3,4,5	**Physics 2A and 2B**	4+4	Area 5	6 (If a student passes more than one AP exam in Physics a maximum of 6 units may be applied.)	4 semester units toward Area 5A and 5C	5.3 (Maximum credit 5.3 semester units for all Physics exams.)
Physics C: Mechanics	3,4,5	**Physics 4A**	4	Area 5	4 (If a student passes more than one AP exam in Physics a maximum of 6 units may be applied.)	3 semester units toward Area 5A and 5C	2.6 (Maximum credit 5.3 semester units for all Physics exams.)

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Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism	3,4,5	**Physics 4B**	4	Area 5	4 (If a student passes more than one AP exam in Physics a maximum of 6 units may be applied.)	3 semester units toward Area 5A and 5C	2.6 (Maximum credit 5.3 semester units for all Physics exams.)
PreCalculus	3,4,5	**Math Elective** (Elective units may be used towards AOE in Math and Science. Credits may also be used as prerequisite clearance to register for MATH-C2210.)	3	Area 2	3	N/A	N/A
Psychology	3,4,5	**Psychology C1000**	3	Area 4	3	3 semester units toward Area 4	2.6
Seminar	3,4,5	No Equivalent Course	N/A	N/A	3	N/A	N/A
Spanish Language ***-Exam was offered until 2014***	3,4,5	**Spanish 1 and 2**	5+5	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3
Spanish Language and Culture	3,4,5	**Spanish 1 and 2**	5+5	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3
Spanish Literature ***-Exam was offered until 2013***	3,4,5	**Spanish Elective** (Elective units may be used towards AOEs in Communication, Media, and Languages and Humanities, Philosophy, and Arts. They may be also be applied to list A of the ADT in Spanish.)	3	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3
Spanish Literature and Culture	3,4,5	**Spanish Elective** (Elective units may be used towards AOEs in Communication, Media, and Languages and Humanities, Philosophy, and Arts. They may be also be applied to list A of the ADT in Spanish.)	3	Area 3	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B	5.3

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Statistics	3,4,5	**Statistics C1000**	4	Area 2	3	3 semester units toward Area 2	2.6
Studio Art: 2-D Art and Design	3,4,5	**Art 22** (It is recommended that students meet with an Art faculty member to review portfolio.)	3	Area 3	3	N/A	5.3 (Maximum credit 5.3 semester units for Studio Art 2D, 3D, and Drawing exams.)
Studio Art: 3-D Art and Design	3,4,5	**Art 24** (It is recommended that students meet with an Art faculty member to review portfolio.)	3	Area 3	3	N/A	5.3 (Maximum credit 5.3 semester units for Studio Art 2D, 3D, and Drawing exams.)
Studio Art: Drawing	3,4,5	**Art 17** (It is recommended that students meet with an Art faculty member to review portfolio.)	3	Area 3	3	N/A	5.3 (Maximum credit 5.3 semester units for Studio Art 2D, 3D, and Drawing exams.)
U.S. Government & Politics	3,4,5	**Political Science C1000**	3	Area 4	3	3 semester units toward Area 4 and US-2 (This AP exam does **not** satisfy the CSU US-3 graduation requirement in California state and local government)	2.6
U. S. History	3,4,5	**History C1001 and C1002**	3+3	Area 3 or 4	6	3 semester units toward Area 3B or 4 and US-1	5.3
World History: Modern	3,4,5	**History 2**	3	Area 3 or 4	3	3 semester units toward Area 3B or 4	5.3

-Actual AP transfer credit and number of units awarded for AP exams towards Cal-GETC and towards admission is determined by the CSU and UC systems.

-The AP chart is based on the most current information available at the time of catalog publication.

-The UC system-wide Policy for AP credit (units towards admission) can be found at:
AP credits | UC Admissions (universityofcalifornia.edu)

-The CSU system-wide policy for AP (units towards admission) can be found at:
https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/pages/advanced-placement-ap.aspx

-2025 Cal-GETC Standards Version 1.3:
https://icas-ca.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/Cal-GETC_Standards_1v3_-Final_r-2.pdf

-Important Note: Each CSU and UC campus determines how an AP exam may count toward credit in a particular major and which scores they consider acceptable. This information may be found in either the university's college catalog or on their website. Students should see a counselor to review the applicability of AP credits towards the different academic requirements.