

Alternative Credit Options

Advanced Placement Examination Program

Saddleback College will grant credit for each Advanced Placement (AP) Examination satisfactorily passed with a score of 3, 4, or 5. For AP credit to be awarded, an official score report must be on file in the Office of Admissions and Records prior to the Counselor review. Students can make an appointment to see a Saddleback College counselor for review of their AP exam scores and processing of an Advanced Placement Examination Credit Petition. Admissions and Records evaluators will assign AP Exam credit as applicable when a student applies for a degree, CSU G.E. or IGETC certification.

Credit will be given for AP exams passed with a score of 3 unless otherwise noted below:

Advanced Placement Exam	Saddleback College AA/AS Credit Awarded for GE, Major and/or Elective Units	CSU GE Certification Area/Semester Units	CSU Minimum Admission Semester Units	IGETC Certification Area/Semester Units	UC Admissions Semester Units
Art History	5 units towards Fine Arts GE requirement	Area C1 or C2 3 Units	6 Units	Area 3A/3B 3 Units	5.3 Units
Art Studio	5 Units of elective Art Studio credit for either Drawing or General Portfolio [5-unit maximum credit for both exams]	N/A	3 Units	N/A	5.3 Units (Max for all Studio Art Exams)
Biology	Credit for BIO 20	Area B2 and B3 4 Units	6 Units	Area 5B with Lab 4 Units	5.3 Units
Chemistry	Credit for CHEM 3	Area B1 and B3 4 Units	6 Units	Area 5A with Lab 4 Units	5.3 Units
Chinese - Language & Culture	3 units towards Humanities GE requirement	Area C2 3 Units	6 Units	Area 6A & 3B 3 Units	5.3 Units
Computer Science A Exam	N/A	N/A	3 Units (Only one CS Exam may be applied)	N/A	1.3 Units
Computer Science B Exam Only	Credit for CS 1A with a score of 3. Credit for CS 1B with a score of 4 or 5.	N/A	6 Units (Only one CS Exam may be applied) Only applies if taken before F'09	N/A	2.7 Units Max
Economics - Macro Exam	Credit for ECON 20 with a score of 3 or 4. Credit for ECON 2 with a score of 5.	Area D2 3 Units	3 Units	Area 4B 3 Units	2.7 Units
Economics - Micro Exam	Credit for ECON 20 with a score of 3 or 4. Credit for ECON 4 with a score of 5.	Area D2 3 Units	3 Units	Area 4B 3 Units	2.7 Units
English - Language and Composition	Credit for ENG 1A and Matriculation placement in ENG 1B	Area A2 3 Units	6 Units	Area 1A 3 Units	5.3 Units (Max credit for both English Lang/Comp & Lit/Comp)
English - Literature and Composition	Credit for ENG 1A and 2 elective units and Matriculation placement in ENG 1B	Area A2 and C2 6 Units	6 Units	Area 1A or 3B 3 Units	5.3 Units (max credit for both English Lang/Comp & Lit/Comp)
Environmental Science	3 Units towards Natural Sciences GE requirement including lab	Area B1 and B3 (If taken after Fall 2009) or Area (B1 or B2) and B3 (if taken Fall 2009 or earlier) 4 Units	4 Units	Area 5A with Lab 3 Units	2.7 Units

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French – Language	3 units towards Humanities GE requirement	Area C2 3 Units	6 Units	Area 6A & 3B 3 Units	5.3 Units
French – Literature	3 units towards Humanities GE requirement	Area C2 3 Units (Only applies if taken before F'09)	6 Units (Only applies if taken before F'09)	Area 6A & 3B 3 Units	5.3 Units
German - Language	3 units towards Humanities GE requirement	Area C2 3 Units	6 Units	Areas 6A & 3B 3 Units	5.3 Units
Government and Politics – United States	3 Units towards Social/Behavioral Sciences GE requirement	Area D8 and US-2 3 Units	3 Units	Area 4H 3 Units	2.7 Units
Government and Politics - Comparative	3 Units towards Social/Behavioral Sciences GE requirement with a score of 3 or 4. Credit for PS 12 with a score of 5.	Area D8 3 Units	3 Units	Area 4H 3 Units	2.7 Units
History – United States	5 Units towards Social/Behavioral Sciences GE requirement with a score of 3. HIST 22 and 2 more elective credits with a score of 4 or 5.	(C2 & US-1) or (D6 & US-1) 3 Units	6 Units	Area 3B or 4F 3 Units	5.3 Units
History – European	5 Units towards Social/Behavioral Sciences GE requirement	Area C2 or D6 3 Units	6 Units	Area 3B or 4F 3 Units	5.3 Units
History – World	3 units towards Humanities GE requirement. Credit for HIST 5 and 2 more elective units with a score of 4 or 5.	Area C2 or D6 3 Units	6 Units	Area 3B or 4F 3 Units	5.3 Units
Human Geography	3 units towards Social/Behavioral Sciences GE requirement	Area D5 3 Units	3 Units	Area 4E 3 Units	2.7 Units
Italian – Language & Culture	3 units towards Humanities GE requirement	Area C2 3 Units	6 Units	Area 6A & 3B 3 Units	5.3 Units
Japanese – Language & Culture	3 units towards Humanities GE requirement	Area C2 3 Units	6 Units	Areas 6A & 3B 3 Units	5.3 Units
Latin – Vergil	3 units towards Humanities GE requirement	Area C2 3 Units	3 Units	Areas 6A & 3B 3 Units	2.7 Units
Latin – Literature	3 units towards Humanities GE requirement	Area C2 3 Units (6 Units only applies if taken before F'09)	6 Units (Only applies if taken before F'09)	Areas 6A & 3B 3 Units	2.7 Units
Mathematics - Calculus AB Exam	Credit for MATH 2 and Matriculation placement in MATH 3A with a score of 3. Credit for MATH 3A and Matriculation placement in MATH 3B with a score of 4 or 5.	Area B4 3 Units	3 Units (Only one Calculus AP exam applied toward degree)	Area 2A 3 Units	2.7 Units

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Mathematics – Calculus BC Exam	Credit for MATH 3A and Matriculation Placement in MATH 3B with a score of 3. Credit for MATH 3A and MATH 3B and Matriculation placement in MATH 3C with a score of 4 or 5.	Area B4 3 Units	6 Units (Only one Calculus AP exam applied toward degree)	Area 2A 3 Units	5.3 Semester Unit max credit both exams.
Music Theory	5 units towards Fine Arts GE requirement	Area C1 3 Units (Only applies if taken before 09)	6 Units (Only applies if taken before F'09)	N/A	5.3 Units
Physics - (B Exam)	Credit for PHYS 2A	Areas B1 and B3 4 Units Max towards GE for all three physics exams	6 Units Max towards GE for all three physics exams	Area 5A & Lab 4 Units	5.3 Units max for all three physics exams
Physics C – Mechanics	3 units towards Natural Science GE requirement including lab	Areas B1 & B3 4 Units	4 Units	Area 5A & Lab 3 Units	2.7 Units
Physics C – Magnetism	3 units towards Natural Science GE requirement including lab	Areas B1 & B3 4 Units	4 Units	Area 5A & lab 3 Units	2.7 Units
Psychology	3 units towards Social/ Behavioral science GE requirement with a score of 3 or 4. Credit for PSYC 1 with a score of 5	Area D9 3 Units	3 Units	Area 4I 3 Units	2.7 Units
Spanish – Language	3 units towards Humanities GE requirement	Area C2 3 Units	6 Units	Areas 6A & 3B 3 Units	5.3 Units
Spanish – Literature	3 units towards Humanities GE requirement	Area C2 3 Units 6 Units (Only applies if taken before F'09)	6 Units (Only applies if taken before F'09)	Areas 6A & 3B 3 Units	5.3 Units
Statistics	Credit for MATH 10 with a score of 3 upon proof of MATH 253 or 255 or equivalent, (e.g., two years of high school algebra) completed with a "C" or better	Area B4 3 Units	3 Units	Area 2A 3 Units	2.7 Units

Note: Requests for faculty review for specific course credit for AP exams and scores not listed above are to be made through the Articulation Officer in the Counseling Office.