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ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Advanced placement in courses may be obtained either through approved departmental examinations or by the Advanced Placement Examinations of the College Entrance Examination Board, (CEEB). Credit for advanced placement may not exceed 45.

Departmental Examinations

The entering student who chooses to be examined by a departmental examination asks that the examining department file a petition for exception to policy requesting either a requirement waiver or credit for one or more courses when the results have been determined. Departments which have used such examinations are the following:

English - according to Policy 76-4, Item D, a student who successfully completes the composition credit by examination may earn one to five credits of ENGL 110 as determined by the Director of Writing.

Foreign Language - with satisfactory results on the Seattle University faculty's modern language placement examination a language major is allowed to move into an advanced language course and will receive a waiver in the lower level courses. Credit for the waived courses must be made up, however, so that the 55 required credits are completed for the major. Substitute courses need not be in the language itself, but may be in related disciplines such as history, political science, literature and cultural studies.

Mathematics - entering students who pass the department's calculus advanced placement examination for MATH 134 with a B or better and who then complete MATH 135 with a C or better will be allowed advanced placement credit for MATH 134 via a petition initiated by the mathematics department chairperson.

- Students who pass the MATH 134 and the MATH 135 departmental calculus examinations with a grade of B or better and who then complete MATH 136 with a C or better will be allowed advanced placement credit for MATH 134 and 135 via a petition initiated by the mathematics department chairperson.

Advanced Placement Examinations of the College Entrance Examination Board

Students seeking advanced placement by taking the AP examination through CEEB request that official examination results be sent to the Evaluation Unit, Office of the Registrar.

Students may obtain official records from:

AP Exam Transcript Service
P.O. Box 6671
Princeton, NJ 08541-6671 Phone: (609)771-7300

For a fee, transcripts may be ordered by phone if the AP test was taken 1994 or later; for exams taken prior to 1994 orders are by mail only. More information is available at http://www.collegeboard.org/ap.

Granted for work completed in secondary school, the Seattle University credits awarded for AP examinations are not considered to be transfer credits and, therefore, the transfer credit waivers and Core transfer policy do not apply. However, AP credits do fall within the maximum chronological transfer credits restrictions.

AP examination results will be evaluated according to the policies outlined below. Once an evaluation is completed, the student's record is updated to reflect the credits accepted and may be viewed on SU Online via the Program Evaluation.

The following departments grant credit for AP exams. Examination results relating to other departments will be sent to the appropriate chairperson and action will be determined on an individual basis.

ART HISTORY	Score 3 or higher	5 credits for art elective, fulfilling Fine Arts core. Art majors should see department chair to determine course equivalency.
ART GENERAL	Score 3 or higher	5 credits granted for art elective, fulfilling Fine Arts core. Art major should see department chair to determine course equivalency.
ART DRAWING	Score 3 or higher	5 credits granted for ART 120, fulfilling Fine Arts core.
ART 3D DESIGN	Score 3 or higher	5 credits for art elective, fulfilling Fine Arts core. Art majors should see department chair to determine course equivalency.
ART 2D DESIGN	Score 3 and higher	5 credits granted for ART 100, fulfilling Fine Arts core.
BIOLOGY	Score 3	No credit
	Score 4	5 credits granted for BIOL 161/171
	Score 5	15 credits granted for BIOL 161/171, 162/172, and 163/173
CHEMISTRY	Score 4 or higher	5 credits granted for CHEM 121/131
COMPUTER SCIENCE		
	Score 3	No credit
A or AB Exam	Score 4 or higher	5 credits granted for CSSE 151
ECONOMICS		
Macro	Score 3 or higher	5 credits granted for ECON 271
Micro	Score 3 or higher	5 credits granted for ECON 272 Either will fill Social Science II in university core
ENGLISH		A maximum of 10 credits will be granted for English even if two exams are completed.
	Score 3	No credit
Lit & Comp	Score 4/5	10 credits granted for ENGL 110 and 120, fulfilling English core requirements.
Lang & Comp	Score 4/5	5 credits granted fulfilling freshman composition, ENGL 110

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE	Score 3 or higher	5 credits granted and satisfaction of the laboratory science core requirement.
HISTORY		
	Score 3	No credit
U.S.	Score 4/5	5 credits granted for HIST 231; fulfills A&S College requirement for history beyond core.
European	Score 4/5	5 credits granted for HIST 120 A/S students should then take HIST 231 rather than HIST 121 to fulfill college requirement
WORLD HISTORY	Score 3	No credit
	Score 4/5	5 credits granted for HIST 121; satisfies A&S College requirement for history beyond core.
HUMAN GEOGRAPHY	Score 3 or higher	5 credits granted for a Sociology elective. Does not satisfy core.
LANGUAGES		
French German Spanish	Score 3	5 credits granted for French, German or Spanish 115. See department for placement to continue series.
	Score 4/5	10 credits granted for French, German or Spanish 115 and 125. See department for placement to continue series and for possible placement in more advanced courses. Minimum major/minor credit requirements must be completed.
Modern Language	Score 3 or higher	5 general elective credits. Does not satisfy core Literature or upper division literature requirement for modern language majors or minors.
MATHEMATICS		
Calculus	Score 3	5 credits granted for MATH 130 or 131
AB Exam	Score 4	5 credits granted for MATH 134
	Score 5	10 credits granted for MATH 134 and 135
Calculus	Score 3	5 credits granted for MATH 134
BC Exam	Score 4	10 credits granted for MATH 134 and 135
	Score 5	10 credits granted for MATH 134 and 135 If requested, Mathematics department can test to determine if MATH 136 credit can also be allowed.
MUSIC THEORY	Score 3 or higher	5 credits granted for MUSIC 100; fulfilling Fine Arts core.

PHYSICS		
	Score 3	No credit
B Exam	Score 4 or higher	15 credits granted for PHYS 105, 106 and 107 Not applicable for BS in Biochemistry, BS in Chemistry, or BS in Computer Science/general option or math specialization, or for engineering or physics majors.
C Exam		Students may take either one or both parts of the "C" exam. Physics and Engineering majors and those seeking a BS in Biochemistry, BS in Chemistry, or a BS in Computer Science/general option or math specialization, should take the C exam rather than B.
Part I	Score 4 or higher	5 credits granted for PHYS 121
Part II	Score 4 or higher	5 credits allowed for PHYS 122.
POLITICAL SCIENCE		
Govt. & Politics U.S.	Score 3 or higher	5 credits granted for PLSC 200. May fulfill the Social Science II core requirement or apply to political science major.
Comparative Government	Score 3 or higher	5 credits granted for PLSC 230. May fulfill the Social Science II core requirement or apply to political science major.
PSYCHOLOGY	Score 3 or higher	5 credits granted for PSYC 120, fulfilling Social Science I core requirement.
STATISTICS	Score 3 or higher	5 credits granted for ECON 260 or 3 credits for NURS 346. Does not fulfill statistics requirements for criminal justice, psychology, social work or sociology major.

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