

STANDARDIZED EXAMS

Empire State University accepts many types of standardized examinations that have been evaluated for college-level credits. If a student's results meet the guidelines established by the university for earning credit, they can use those credits toward their degree program plan when:

- They completed the examination during the specific time period covered by the evaluation and credit recommendation.
- An official score report is received by Empire State University directly from the testing service.

As with all transfer credit/advanced standing, standardized examination topics should fit into a student's degree program by meeting specific program requirements or electives or adding breadth and depth to their general learning. Click on the tabs to find out more information about credit awards.

Empire State University accepts the following standardized examinations:

- Advanced Placement Examinations (AP) (p.)
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Before a student decide to take an exam, they should talk with their mentor to determine if it is appropriate for them to their degree. For more information on standardized examination opportunities, click on the name of the exam to be brought to the appropriate tab on this page. For details on offerings, check the organization's website. Many of these sites offer study guides which are sometimes available at bookstores.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS (AP)

College Board (AP) (<http://www.collegeboard.com/ap/>)

Empire State University accepts Advanced Placement exams with a score of 3 or higher, as documented by an official score report sent to Admissions. Current Advanced Placement exams and credits awarded are listed below. In addition to the current exams listed, SUNY Empire also accepts former examinations:

- Advanced Placement Tests taken before April 1994 with scores of 3 or higher earn 6 credits at the introductory level.
- Advanced Placement tests taken in April 1994 or later with scores of 3 or higher earn the number of credits recommended by the American Council on Education (ACE). Specific credit amounts for older examinations can be found on the Empire State University

Professional Learning Evaluations (PLE) and Exams Credit Search page (<https://plesearch.sunyempire.edu/view/equivalency/?combine=advanced+placement&tid=All>).

Current AP Exams and Credit Amounts:

Exam Name	Number of Credits	Equivalent Course	Gen Ed (2010)	Gen Ed (2023)
2-D Art and Design	3 credits	Art Elective	Arts	The Arts
3-D Art and Design	3 credits	Art Elective	Arts	The Arts
African American Studies	3 credits	General Elective	American History	U.S. History and Civic Engagement, Diversity
Art History	6 credits	Art Elective	Arts	The Arts
Biology	4 credits	Biology Elective	Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences (and Scientific Reasoning)
Calculus AB	4 credits	MATH 2140	Mathematics	Mathematics (and Quantitative Reasoning)
Calculus BC	8 credits	MATH 2140 and MATH 2141	4 credits of Mathematics	4 credits of Mathematics (and Quantitative Reasoning)
Chemistry	4 or 8 credits (score dependent)	Chemistry Elective	Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences (and Scientific Reasoning)
Chinese Language and Culture	8, 12, or 16 credits (score dependent)	Chinese Elective	Foreign Languages	World Languages
Comparative Government & Politics	3 credits	Political Science Elective	Social Science	Social Sciences
Computer Science A	4 credits	Computer Science Elective	None	None
Computer Science Principles	3 credits	Computer Science Elective	None	None
Drawing	3 credits	ARTS 1065	Arts	The Arts
English Language & Composition	6 credits	Writing Elective	Basic Communication	Communication Written
English Literature & Composition	6 credits	English Elective	3 credits of Basic Humanities	3 credits of Communication Written, 3 credits of Humanities
Environmental Science	3 credits	ENSC 1200	Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences (and Scientific Reasoning)

European History	6 credits	History Elective	Western Civilization	World History and Global Awareness	Spanish Literature and Culture	9, 12, or 15 credits (score dependent)	Spanish Elective	Foreign Languages	World Languages
French Language and Culture	6, 9, or 12 credits (score dependent)	French Elective	Foreign Languages	World Languages	Statistics	3 credits	MATH 1065	Mathematics	Mathematics (and Quantitative Reasoning)
German Language and Culture	12, 16 or 20 credits (score dependent)	German Elective	Foreign Languages	World Languages	US Government and Politics	3 credits	POLI 2010	Social Science	Social Sciences
Human Geography	3 credits	General Elective	Social Science	Social Sciences	US History	6 credits	HIST 2025 and HIST 2030	American History	U.S. History and Civic Engagement
Italian Language and Culture	6, 9, or 12 credits (score dependent)	Italian Elective	Foreign Languages	World Languages	World History (Modern)	6 credits	History Elective	Other World Civilization	World History and Global Awareness
Japanese Language and Culture	8, 12, or 16 credits (score dependent)	General Elective	Foreign Languages	World Languages					
Latin	6, 9 or 12 credits (score dependent)	General Elective	Foreign Languages	World Languages					
Macroeconomics	3 credits	ECON 2015	Social Science	Social Sciences					
Microeconomics	3 credits	ECON 2020	Social Science	Social Sciences					
Music Theory	3 or 6 credits (score dependent)	Music Elective	Arts	The Arts					
Physics 1 (Algebra-based)	4 credits	PHYS 1200	Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences (and Scientific Reasoning)					
Physics 2 (Algebra-based)	4 credits	PHYS 1201	Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences (and Scientific Reasoning)					
Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism	4 credits	Physics Elective	Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences (and Scientific Reasoning)	American Government	3 credits	Literature Elective	Humanities	Humanities
Physics C: Mechanics	4 credits	Physics Elective	Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences (and Scientific Reasoning)	Analyzing and Interpreting Literature	3 credits	LITR 1005	Humanities	Humanities
Precalculus BC	4 credits	MATH 1140	Mathematics	Mathematics (and Quantitative Reasoning)	Biology	6 credits	BIOL 1210 and BIOL 1212	Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences (and Scientific Reasoning)
Psychology	3 credits	PSYC 1005	Social Science	Social Sciences	Calculus	4 credits	MATH 2140	Mathematics	Mathematics (and Quantitative Reasoning)
AP Research	3 or 6 credits (score dependent)	General Elective	None	None	Chemistry	6 credits	CHEM 1210 and CHEM 1212	Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences (and Scientific Reasoning)
AP Seminar	3 or 6 credits (score dependent)	General Elective	None	None	College Algebra	3 credits	MATH 1040	Mathematics	Mathematics (and Quantitative Reasoning)
Spanish Language and Culture	6, 9, or 12 credits (score dependent)	Spanish Elective	Foreign Languages	World Languages	College Composition	6 credits	Writing Elective	Basic Communication	Communication Written

COLLEGE LEVEL EXAMINATION PROGRAM (CLEP)

College Board CLEP (<http://www.collegeboard.com/clep/>)

Empire State University identification code = 2214

Empire State University follows the ACE/CLEP recommended minimum score (<http://www2.acenet.edu/credit/?fuseaction=browse.getOrganizationDetail&FICE=300172.>) and credit recommendations for awarding credit for exams taken since July 1, 2001 (except as noted for languages below). If you have taken a CLEP examination before July 1, 2001, or the effective date listed, contact The Office of the Registrar for required scores and available credit.

Current CLEP Exams

Nombre del examen	Número de créditos	Curso equivalente	Educación general (2010)	Educación general (2023)
American Government	3 credits	POLI 2010	Social Science	Social Science
American Literature	3 credits	Literature Elective	Humanities	Humanities
Analyzing and Interpreting Literature	3 credits	LITR 1005	Humanities	Humanities
Biology	6 credits	BIOL 1210 and BIOL 1212	Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences (and Scientific Reasoning)
Calculus	4 credits	MATH 2140	Mathematics	Mathematics (and Quantitative Reasoning)
Chemistry	6 credits	CHEM 1210 and CHEM 1212	Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences (and Scientific Reasoning)
College Algebra	3 credits	MATH 1040	Mathematics	Mathematics (and Quantitative Reasoning)
College Composition	6 credits	Writing Elective	Basic Communication	Communication Written

College Composition Modular	3 credits	Writing Elective	Basic Communication	Communication Written	Principles of Microeconomics	3 credits	ECON 2020	Social Science	Social Science
College Mathematics	3 credits	Math Elective	Mathematics	Mathematics (and Quantitative Reasoning)	Social Sciences and History	6 credits	General Elective	Social Science	Social Science
English Literature	6 credits	Literature Elective	Humanities	Humanities	Spanish Language*	8, 12, or 16 credits (score dependent)	Spanish Elective	Foreign Language	World Languages
Financial Accounting	3 credits	ACCT 2005			Spanish with Writing*	8, 12, or 16 credits (score dependent)	Spanish Elective	Foreign Language	World Languages
French Language*	8, 12, or 16 credits (score dependent)	French Elective	Foreign Language	World Languages	Western Civilization I (Ancient Near East to 1648)	3 credits	HIST 1115	Western Civilization	World History and Global Awareness
German Language*	8, 12, or 16 credits (score dependent)	General Elective	Foreign Language	World Languages	Western Civilization II: 1648 to the Present	3 credits	HIST 1120	Western Civilization	World History and Global Awareness
History of the United States I (Early Colonization to 1877)	3 credits	HIST 2025	American History	U.S. History and Civic Engagement	*SUNY Empire has developed our own credit recommendations for CLEP foreign language exams. See the Empire State University Professional Learning Evaluations (PLE) and Exams Credit Search page (https://plesearch.sunyempire.edu/view/equivalency/?combine=clep&tid=All) for details.				
History of the United States II (1865 to the Present)	3 credits	HIST 2030	American History	U.S. History and Civic Engagement					
Human Growth and Development	3 credits	HUDV 1015	Social Science	Social Science	American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL)				
Humanities	3 credits	General Elective	Humanities	Humanities	ACTFL (https://www.actfl.org/)				
Information Systems	3 credits	Information Technology Elective			Exams: foreign languages Credit recommendation criteria for current exams:				
Introduction to Educational Psychology	3 credits	Psychology Elective	Social Science	Social Science	ACTFL Oral Proficiency Interview				
Introductory Business Law	3 credits	BUSN 1010			Novice High or Intermediate Low: 3 introductory credits Intermediate Mid: 6 introductory credits Intermediate High or Advanced Low: 9 introductory credits Advanced Mid: 6 introductory credits, 3 advanced credits Advanced High or Superior: 6 introductory credits, 6 advanced credits				
Introductory Psychology	3 credits	PSYC 1005	Social Science	Social Science	ACTFL Listening Proficiency Test				
Introductory Sociology	3 credits	SOCI 1005	Social Science	Social Science	Intermediate Mid or Intermediate High: 3 introductory credits Advanced Low or Superior: 6 introductory credits				
Natural Sciences	6 credits	General Elective	Natural Sciences	Natural Sciences (and Scientific Reasoning)	ACTFL Reading Proficiency Test				
Precalculus	3 credits	MATH 1140	Mathematics	Mathematics (and Quantitative Reasoning)	Intermediate Mid or Intermediate High: 2 introductory credits Advanced Low or Advanced Mid: 3 introductory credits Advanced High or Superior: 6 introductory credits				
Principles of Macroeconomics	3 credits	ECON 2015	Social Science	Social Science	ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test				
Principles of Management	3 credits	MGMT 1005			Novice High or Intermediate Low: 3 introductory credits Intermediate Mid: 6 introductory credits Intermediate High or Advanced Low: 6 introductory credits, 2 advanced credits Advanced Mid: 6 introductory credits, 3 advanced credits Advanced High or Superior: 6 introductory credits, 6 advanced credits				
Principles of Marketing	3 credits	MRKT 1005							

ASSOCIATION OF LANGUAGE TESTERS IN EUROPE (ALTE)

ALTE (<http://www.alte.org/>)

Exams: foreign languages

Credit recommendation criteria:

ALTE Level 1 (A2) - 2 credits liberal, introductory

ALTE Level 2 (B1) - 4 credits liberal, introductory

ALTE Level 3 (B2) - 8 credits liberal, introductory

ALTE Level 4 (C1) - 12 credits liberal, 4 credits advanced

ALTE Level 5 (C2) - 16 credits liberal, 8 credits advanced

BRITISH A-LEVEL EXAMINATIONS

Cambridge International Examinations (<http://www.cie.org.uk/>)

Exams: A Level examinations for different college subjects

Credit recommendation criteria: 6 credits per A Level pass

DANTES SUBJECT STANDARDIZED TEST (DSST)

Thomson Prometric, DSST Program (<http://www.getcollegecredit.com/>)

Empire State University identification code = 8732

Note: Exams can be taken at Empire State University. (<https://www.esc.edu/veteran-military/testcenter/>)

Exams: about 40 exams in diverse disciplines

Credit recommendation criteria: credit awarded as indicated on score report - most exams are 3 credits

EXCELSIOR COLLEGE EXAMINATIONS AND UEXCEL EXAMS

Note: Excelsior and UExcel examinations were discontinued in 2022.

Students who took exams prior to discontinuation are still eligible for credit.

Exams: areas of business, education, liberal arts and sciences, nursing

Credit recommendation criteria: indicated on score report

International Baccalaureate

With official documentation, a student who has completed an International Baccalaureate diploma with a score of 30 or more is eligible for 30 semester credits. Completed IB diplomas will show completion of 6 different subject courses, two grades of at least D for the Extended Essay and Theory of Knowledge components, and confirmation that Creativity-Activity-Service requirements have been satisfied.

If the student has successfully completed individual classes but not the entire degree, the student is eligible for 6 credits for each Higher Level exam score of 4 or better. Students who have completed lower level courses, may use the ACE evaluation (<https://www.acenet.edu/National-Guide/Pages/Organization.aspx?oid=67167a40-d64c-ee11-be6e-00224805f697>) of these individual courses.

Official documentation must be ordered from the IB transcript website (<https://www.ibo.org/university-admission/support-students-transition-to-higher-education/requesting-and-sending-transcripts/>) and sent to Admissions.

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY FOREIGN LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY EXAMINATIONS

New York University (<https://www.sps.nyu.edu/content/sps-nyu/about/academic-divisions-and-departments/center-for-publishing-writing-and-media/language-proficiency-testing-program.html>)

Exams: foreign languages

Credit recommendation criteria: New York University provides an official letter or transcript and the results are valid for five years. Credit is awarded on a point scale. Credit applied is equivalent to the score earned. The first eight credits applied are at the lower-level. For example, for a score of 12, students are eligible for 8 credits at the lower-level and 12 credits at the upper-level.

THOMAS EDISON CREDIT EXAMINATION PROGRAM (TECEP)

Thomas Edison State College of NJ (<https://www.tesu.edu/admissions/methods-of-earning-credit/tecep/>)

Exams: liberal arts and sciences, business and management, professional areas

Credit recommendation criteria: indicated on score report - most exams are 3 credits