

# Advanced Placement Program Credit Policies

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The Advanced Placement Program (AP) was created by the College Board to allow students to get college credit for completing college-level course work while they are in high school. Students are tested on the specific material covered in AP courses. (**Note:** Only advanced placement courses administered by the College Board program apply.)

Test results are reported on a five-point scale, with five being the highest. Iowa offers credit for more than 30 different AP exams. You can earn 3 to 8 semester hours of credit per test, depending on the subject and your score.

Have your scores sent to The University. The University's code number for score reporting is 6681. For more information about AP, go to [www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/ap/about.html](http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/ap/about.html).

AP policies for the UI colleges that admit undergraduates vary. Those for the colleges of Liberal Arts & Sciences; Business; Education; Nursing; and Pharmacy are variations on a theme. AP credit policies for the College of Engineering are quite different and are listed last below.

## Colleges of: Liberal Arts & Sciences, Business, Education, Nursing, Pharmacy

AP test title	score	credit awarded and other information
<b>Art History</b>	3-5	3 semester hours (s.h.)—May be applied to General Education Program: fine arts; or historical perspectives; or foreign civilization & culture hours; or used as elective hours.
<b>Biology</b> <i>EXCEPT: NURSING &amp; PHARMACY—SEE BELOW</i>	3-5	4 s.h.—Duplicates <i>002:021 Human Biology</i> . May be applied to General Education Program: natural sciences (nonlab) hours; or used as elective hours. <b>NOTE:</b> If you score 5, consult the department for possible equivalency credit for <i>002:002 Introductory Animal Biology</i> .
<b>Calculus</b> (AB)	4-5	4 s.h.—Duplicates <i>22M:016 Calculus for the Biological Sciences</i> ; <i>22M:017 Calculus &amp; Matrix Algebra</i> ; <i>22M:025 Calculus I</i> ; <i>22M:031 Engineering Mathematics I</i> . Duplicates <i>CLEP Subject Test: Calculus</i> . May be applied to General Education Program: quantitative or formal reasoning hours; or used to satisfy the calculus competency for some majors; or used as elective hours.
<b>Calculus</b> (BC)	3-5	8 s.h.—Duplicates <i>22M:016 Calculus for the Biological Sciences</i> ; <i>22M:017 Calculus &amp; Matrix Algebra</i> ; <i>22M:025-026 Calculus I-II</i> ; <i>22M:031 Engineering Mathematics I</i> . Duplicates <i>CLEP Subject Test: Calculus</i> . The remaining 4 s.h. may be applied to General Education Program: quantitative or formal reasoning hours; or used to satisfy the calculus competency for many majors; or used as elective hours. <b>NOTE:</b> This test partially duplicates the Calculus AB test. Students who take both the AB and BC tests cannot earn more than 8 s.h. total from the two tests. If you score 1 or 2 on the BC test and 4 or 5 on the AB subscore of the BC test, you will receive credit for the Calculus AB test (see above).
<b>Chemistry</b> <i>EXCEPT: NURSING &amp; PHARMACY—SEE BELOW</i>	3-4	3 s.h.—May be applied toward General Education Program: natural sciences (nonlab) hours; or used as elective hours.
	5	6 s.h.—Three (3) s.h. may be applied toward General Education Program: natural sciences (nonlab) hours and 3 s.h. used as elective hours; or all 6 s.h. may be used as elective hours.
<b>Computer Science</b> (A) <i>EXCEPT: BUSINESS—SEE BELOW</i>	4-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>22C:016 Computer Science I: Fundamentals</i> . May be applied toward General Education Program: quantitative & formal reasoning hours; or to requirements for the Computer Science major or minor; or used as elective hours. <b>NOTE:</b> Students who take this test and the Computer Science AB test may earn no more than 6 s.h. total from the two tests.
<b>Computer Science</b> (AB) <i>EXCEPT: BUSINESS—SEE BELOW</i>	3	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>22C:016 Computer Science I: Fundamentals</i> . May be applied toward General Education Program: quantitative & formal reasoning hours; or to requirements for the Computer Science major or minor; or used as elective hours.
	4-5	6 s.h.—Duplicates <i>22C:016 Computer Science I: Fundamentals</i> . May be applied toward General Education Program: quantitative & formal reasoning hours; or to requirements for the Computer Science major or minor; or used as elective hours. <b>NOTE:</b> Students who take this test and the Computer Science A test may earn no more than 6 s.h. total from the two tests.
<b>English</b> (Language & Composition)	4-5	4 s.h.—May be used as elective hours; you will be placed in <i>010:003 Accelerated Rhetoric</i> .
<b>English</b> (Literature & Composition)	4-5	3 s.h.—You will be placed in <i>010:003 Accelerated Rhetoric</i> . Duplicates <i>08G:001 Interpretation of Literature</i> . Duplicates <i>CLEP Subject Test: Analyzing &amp; Interpreting Literature</i> . Duplicates the higher-level <i>IB Test: English A1</i> . May be applied to the General Education Program <i>08G:001 Interpretation of Literature</i> requirement; or used as elective hours.

**Colleges of: Liberal Arts & Sciences, Business, Education, Nursing, Pharmacy** (continued)

AP test title	score	credit awarded and other information
<b>Environmental Science</b> <small>EXCEPT: PHARMACY—SEE BELOW</small>	4-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>012:008/159:008 Introduction to Environmental Science</i> . May be applied to General Education Program: natural sciences (nonlab) hours; or to requirements for the Geoscience major or minor; or to requirements for the Environmental Sciences major; or used as elective hours.
<b>European History</b>	3-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>016:002-003 Western Civilization II-III</i> . May be applied to General Education Program: foreign civilization & culture hours; or to General Education Program: historical perspectives hours; or used as elective hours.
<b>French</b> (Language)	4-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>009:105 Third-Year French</i> . May be used to complete the General Education Program foreign language component; or applied to requirements for the French major or minor; or used as elective hours. <b>NOTE:</b> If you're interested in earning Foreign Language Incentive Program (FLIP) credit or continuing language study, consult your advisor or the department to avoid duplication.
<b>French</b> (Literature)	4-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>009:111 Introduction to Reading &amp; Writing in Literature</i> . May be used to complete the General Education Program foreign language component; or applied to requirements for the French major or minor; or used as elective hours. <b>NOTE:</b> If you're interested in earning Foreign Language Incentive Program (FLIP) credit or continuing language study, consult your advisor or the department to avoid duplication.
<b>German Language</b>	4-5	3 s.h.—May be used to complete the General Education Program foreign language component; or applied to requirements for the German major or minor; or used as elective hours. <b>NOTE:</b> Students interested in earning Foreign Language Incentive Program (FLIP) credit or continuing language study should consult advisors or the department to avoid duplication.
<b>Government &amp; Politics</b> (US)	3-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>030:001 Introduction to American Politics</i> . Duplicates the <i>CLEP Subject Test: American Government</i> . May be applied to General Education Program: social sciences hours; or to requirements for the Political Science major or minor; or used as elective hours.
<b>Government &amp; Politics</b> (Comparative)	3-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>030:045 Introduction to Comparative Politics</i> . May be applied to General Education Program: social sciences hours; or to requirements for the Political Science major or minor; or used as elective hours.
<b>Human Geography</b>	4-5	4 s.h.—Duplicates <i>044:001 Introduction to Human Geography</i> . May be applied to General Education Program: social sciences hours; or to requirements for the Geography major or minor; or used as elective hours.
<b>Latin</b> (Literature)	3	No credit awarded, but may be used to complete the General Education Program foreign language component.
	4-5	3 s.h.—May be used to complete the General Education Program foreign language component; or used as elective hours. <b>NOTE:</b> If you're interested in earning Foreign Language Incentive Program (FLIP) credit or continuing language study, consult the department to avoid duplication.
<b>Latin</b> (Vergil)	3	No credit awarded, but may be used to complete the General Education Program foreign language component.
	4-5	3 s.h.—May be used to complete the General Education Program foreign language component, or used as elective hours. <b>NOTE:</b> If you're interested in earning Foreign Language Incentive Program (FLIP) credit or continuing language study, consult the department to avoid duplication.
<b>Macro-economics</b> <small>EXCEPT: BUSINESS—SEE BELOW</small>	3-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>06E:002 Principles of Macroeconomics</i> . Duplicates <i>CLEP Subject Test: Macroeconomics</i> . May be applied to General Education Program: social sciences hours; or used as elective hours.
<b>Micro-economics</b> <small>EXCEPT: BUSINESS &amp; PHARMACY—SEE BELOW</small>	3-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>06E:001 Principles of Microeconomics</i> . Duplicates <i>CLEP Subject Test: Microeconomics</i> . May be applied to General Education Program: social sciences hours; or used as elective hours.

**Colleges of: Liberal Arts & Sciences, Business, Education, Nursing, Pharmacy** (continued)

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<b>Music Theory</b>	3	3 semester hours (s.h.)—Duplicates <i>025:001 Fundamentals of Music for Majors</i> ; and <i>025:010 Fundamentals of Music</i> . May be used as elective hours.
	4	4 s.h.—Duplicates <i>025:002 Musicianship &amp; Theory I</i> . May be applied to requirements for the Music major or minor; or used as elective hours.
	5	8 s.h.—Duplicates <i>025:002-003 Musicianship &amp; Theory I-II</i> . May be applied to requirements for the Music major or minor; or used as elective hours.
<b>Physics</b> (B) <i>EXCEPT: PHARMACY— SEE BELOW</i>	4-5	8 s.h.—Duplicates <i>029:011-012 College Physics</i> . May be applied to General Education Program: natural sciences hours (including lab); or used as elective hours.
<b>Physics</b> (C: Electricity & Magnetism) <i>EXCEPT: PHARMACY— SEE BELOW</i>	4-5	4 s.h.—Duplicates <i>029:012 College Physics</i> . May be applied to General Education Program: natural sciences hours (as a lab course); or used as elective hours.
<b>Physics</b> (C: Mechanics) <i>EXCEPT: PHARMACY— SEE BELOW</i>	4-5	4 s.h.—Duplicates <i>029:011 College Physics</i> . May be applied to General Education Program: natural sciences hours (as a lab course); or used as elective hours.
<b>Psychology</b>	3-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>031:001 Elementary Psychology</i> . Duplicates <i>CLEP Subject Test: General Psychology</i> . May be applied to General Education Program: social sciences hours; or to requirements for the Psychology major or minor; or used as elective hours.
<b>Spanish</b> (Language)	4-5	3 s.h.—May be used to complete the General Education Program foreign language component; or applied to requirements for the Spanish major or minor; or used as elective hours. <b>NOTE:</b> If you're interested in earning Foreign Language Incentive Program (FLIP) credit or continuing language study, consult your advisor or the department to avoid duplication.
<b>Spanish</b> (Literature)	4-5	3 s.h.—May be used to complete the General Education Program foreign language component; or applied to requirements for the Spanish major or minor; or used as elective hours. <b>NOTE:</b> If you're interested in earning Foreign Language Incentive Program (FLIP) credit or continuing language study, consult your advisor or the department to avoid duplication.
<b>Statistics</b> <i>EXCEPT: PHARMACY— SEE BELOW</i>	4-5	4 s.h.—Duplicates <i>22S:002 Statistics &amp; Society</i> ; <i>22S:008 Statistics for Business</i> ; <i>22S:025 Elementary Statistics &amp; Inference</i> . May be applied to General Education Program: quantitative or formal reasoning hours; or used to satisfy the statistics competency requirement for several majors; or used as elective hours. <b>NOTE:</b> If you have a score of 5, contact the Department of Statistics & Actuarial Science for placement.
<b>Studio Art</b> (Drawing) <i>EXCEPT: PHARMACY— SEE BELOW</i>	3-5	3 s.h.—May be applied to General Education Program: fine arts hours; or used as elective hours.
<b>United States History</b>	3-5	3 s.h.—May be used as elective hours.
<b>World History</b>	3-5	3 s.h.—May be applied to General Education Program: foreign civilization & culture hours; or General Education Program: historical perspectives hours; or used as elective hours.

## College of Business

AP test title	score	credit awarded and other information
<b>Computer Science</b> (A)	4-5	3 semester hours (s.h.)—Duplicates 22C:010 Programming with C. May be applied toward requirements for the Computer Science minor; or used as elective hours. <b>NOTE:</b> Students who take this test and the Computer Science AB test may earn no more than 6 s.h. total from the two tests.
<b>Computer Science</b> (AB)	3	3 s.h.—Duplicates 22C:010 Programming with C.
	4-5	6 s.h.—Duplicates 22C:010 Programming with C. The remaining three (3) s.h. may be applied toward requirements for the Computer Science minor; or used as elective hours. <b>NOTE:</b> Students who take this test and the Computer Science A test may earn no more than 6 s.h. total from the two tests.
<b>Macro-economics</b>	3-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates 06E:002 <i>Principles of Macroeconomics</i> . Duplicates <i>CLEP Subject Test: Macroeconomics</i> . May be used to satisfy 1 high school course deficiency in social studies.
<b>Micro-economics</b>	3-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates 06E:001 <i>Principles of Microeconomics</i> . Duplicates <i>CLEP Subject Test: Microeconomics</i> . May be used to satisfy 1 high school course deficiency in social studies.

## College of Nursing

AP test title	score	credit awarded and other information
<b>Biology</b>	3-4	No credit awarded.
	5	4 semester hours (s.h.)—Duplicates 002:002 <i>Introductory Animal Biology</i> .
<b>Chemistry</b>	3-4	No credit awarded.
	5	3 s.h.—Duplicates 004:007 <i>General Chemistry I</i> .

## College of Pharmacy

AP test title	score	credit awarded and other information
<b>Biology</b>	3-5	No credit awarded.
<b>Chemistry</b>	3-5	No credit awarded.
<b>Environmental Science</b>	4-5	No credit awarded.
<b>Micro-economics</b>	3-5	No credit awarded.
<b>Physics</b> (B)	4-5	No credit awarded.
<b>Physics</b> (C: Electricity & Magnetism)	4-5	No credit awarded.
<b>Physics</b> (C: Mechanics)	4-5	No credit awarded.
<b>Statistics</b>	4-5	No credit awarded.
<b>Studio Art</b> (Drawing)	3-5	No credit awarded.

## College of Engineering

AP test title	score	credit awarded and other information
<b>Art History</b>	3-5	3 semester hours (s.h.)—May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level humanities component.
<b>Calculus</b> (AB)	4-5	4 s.h.—Duplicates 22M:031 Engineering Mathematics I.
<b>Calculus</b> (BC)	3-5	4 s.h.—Duplicates 22M:031 Engineering Mathematics I.
<b>Chemistry</b>	5	4 s.h.—Duplicates 004:011 Principles of Chemistry I. <b>NOTE:</b> If you are pre-med, contact your pre-med advisor.
<b>English</b> (Language & Composition)	4-5	4 s.h.—May be used as elective hours; you will be placed in <i>010:003 Accelerated Rhetoric</i> .
<b>English</b> (Literature & Composition)	4-5	3 s.h.—You will be placed in <i>010:003 Accelerated Rhetoric</i> . Duplicates <i>08G:001 Interpretation of Literature</i> . May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level humanities component.
<b>European History</b>	3-5	3 s.h.—May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level humanities component.
<b>French</b> (Language)	4-5	3 s.h.—May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level humanities component. <b>NOTE:</b> If you're interested in earning Foreign Language Incentive Program (FLIP) credit or continuing language study, consult the department to avoid duplication.
<b>French</b> (Literature)	4-5	3 s.h.—May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level humanities component. <b>NOTE:</b> If you're interested in earning Foreign Language Incentive Program (FLIP) credit or continuing language study, consult the department to avoid duplication.
<b>German Language</b>	4-5	3 s.h.—May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level humanities component. <b>NOTE:</b> If you're interested in earning Foreign Language Incentive Program (FLIP) credit or continuing language study, consult the department to avoid duplication.
<b>Government &amp; Politics</b> (US)	3-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>030:001 Introduction to American Politics</i> . May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level social science component.
<b>Government &amp; Politics</b> (Comparative)	3-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>030:045 Introduction to Comparative Politics</i> . May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level social science component.
<b>Human Geography</b>	3-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>044:001 Introduction to Human Geography</i> . May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level social science component.
<b>Latin</b> (Literature)	4-5	3 s.h.—May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level humanities component. <b>NOTE:</b> If you're interested in earning Foreign Language Incentive Program (FLIP) credit or continuing language study, consult the department to avoid duplication.
<b>Latin</b> (Vergil)	4-5	3 s.h.—May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level humanities component. <b>NOTE:</b> If you're interested in earning Foreign Language Incentive Program (FLIP) credit or continuing language study, consult the department to avoid duplication.
<b>Macro-economics</b>	3-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>06E:002 Principles of Macroeconomics</i> . May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level social science component.
<b>Micro-economics</b>	3-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>06E:001 Principles of Microeconomics</i> . May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level social science component.
<b>Physics</b> (C: Electricity & Magnetism)	4-5	4 s.h.—Duplicates 029:082 Introductory Physics II.
<b>Physics</b> (C: Mechanics)	4-5	4 s.h.—Duplicates 029:081 Introductory Physics I.
<b>Psychology</b>	3-5	3 s.h.—Duplicates <i>031:001 Elementary Psychology</i> . May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level social science component.

## College of Engineering (continued)

AP test title	score	credit awarded and other information
<b>Spanish</b> (Language)	4-5	3 semester hours (s.h.)—May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level humanities component. <b>NOTE:</b> If you're interested in earning Foreign Language Incentive Program (FLIP) credit or continuing language study, consult the department to avoid duplication.
<b>Spanish</b> (Literature)	4-5	3 s.h.—May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level humanities component. <b>NOTE:</b> If you're interested in earning Foreign Language Incentive Program (FLIP) credit or continuing language study, consult the department to avoid duplication.
<b>United States History</b>	3-5	3 s.h.—May be used to complete the General Education Program: lower-level humanities component.
<b>World History</b>	3-5	3 s.h.—May be applied to General Education Program: foreign civilization & culture hours; or General Education Program: historical perspectives hours; or used as elective hours.