

Academic Placement

Classification of Students

Freshmen — Students who have earned a total of fewer than 30 semester units.

Sophomores — Students who have earned a total of 30 to 59 semester units inclusive.

Juniors — Students who have earned a total of 60 to 89 semester units inclusive.

Seniors — Students who have earned 90 semester units or more.

Postbaccalaureate/Graduates — Students who have at least one bachelor's degree from an accredited institution.

Advanced Placement. The Advanced Placement Program of the College Entrance Examination Board permits able high school students to take college-equivalent courses while in high school and, based upon comprehensive qualifying examinations, receive advanced placement and credit at participating universities and colleges. This university grants credit toward its undergraduate degrees for successful completion of examinations of the Advanced Placement Program of the College Board. Students who present scores of three or better are granted from 3 to 6 semester units of college credit for each examination. In order to receive credit for these examinations from this university, students must request an official copy of their test results directly from the College Board.

Credits earned through advanced placement are not included among the maximum of 30 units of credit by examination that may be credited toward a bachelor's degree.

International Baccalaureate. Credit is granted for International Baccalaureate Higher Level examination passed with a score of 4 or higher. Contact the Evaluations Office, Joyal Administration Building, Room 115, for further information.

English Placement Test. Unless exempt according to CSU policy, all students enrolling at California State University, Fresno must take the EPT after admission and prior to enrollment. A passing score on the EPT is defined as earning a minimum total score of 151 or a minimum essay score of 8. Exemptions from the test are given only to those students who present proof of one of the following:

- a score of 550 or above on the verbal section of the College Board SAT I* Reasoning Test taken on or after April 1, 1995
- a score of 470 or above on the verbal section of the College Board SAT I* Reasoning Test taken between March 1994 and March 1995
- a score of 470 or above on the verbal section of the College Board Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) taken prior to March 1994.
- a score of 24 or above on the enhanced ACT English Test taken October 1989 or later
- a score of 22 or above on the American College Testing (ACT) English Usage Test taken prior to October 1989
- a score of 680 or above on the re-centered and adjusted College Board SAT II: Writing Test taken May 1998 or after**
- a score of 660 or above on the College Board SAT II* Writing Test taken prior to January 1994

- a score of 3, 4, or 5 on either the language and composition or the composition and literature examination of the College Board Scholastic Advanced Placement program
- a score on the CSU English Equivalency Examination that qualifies the student for "Pass for Credit" or "Exemption"
- completion and transfer of a course that satisfies the General Education — Breadth or Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) written communication requirement, provided such course was completed with a grade of C or better

Students who cannot demonstrate basic competence on the EPT exam are required to enroll in ENGL A or, if they are nonnative speakers of English, in the E S L 20-30 series. ENGL A must be completed with a credit grade by the end of the first year of enrollment.

Entry-level Mathematics Exam. The ELM examination tests students for entry-level mathematics skills acquired through three years of rigorous college preparatory mathematics coursework (normally Algebra I, Algebra II, and Geometry).

Unless exempt according to CSU policy, all students enrolling at California State University, Fresno must take the ELM after admission and prior to enrollment.

Students may qualify to take the General Education required quantitative reasoning course by taking and passing the ELM examination with a score of 550 or higher.

* The College Board SAT and Achievement Tests were replaced by SAT I and SAT II, respectively, beginning March 1994. Beginning April 1, 1995, the SAT I and SAT II exams have been scored on a new scale.

** Beginning in May 1998, SAT II: Writing Test scores were increased about 10 to 20 points. The adjustment was made to make writing test scores more comparable to scores on other SAT II subject tests. Although scores are higher, their relative rank compared to scores for tests taken before May 1998 remain the same.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTS

The most commonly passed Advanced Placement Tests and equivalent courses are as follows:

Test	Score	Units	Subjects
American History	3,4,5	6	HIST 11, 12
Computer Science AB	3,4,5	6	C SCI 40*
English Lit/Comp	3,4,5	6**	ENGL 1, 20
English Lang/Comp	3,4,5	6**	ENGL 1, 2
Math Calc AB	3,4,5	6	MATH 75***
Math Calc BC	3,4,5	6	MATH 75, 76
U.S. Gov't & Politics	3,4,5	3	Pol Sci Elective

* Remaining 2 units in lower-division Computer Science electives.

** If English Lit/Comp and English Lang/Comp are passed, then a maximum of 9 units is allowed for ENGL 1, 2, and 20.

*** Remaining 2 units in lower-division Mathematics electives.

Official scores may be obtained from:

Advanced Placement Examination
P.O. Box 6671
Princeton, NJ 08541-6671

For more information, contact the Evaluations Office, Joyal Administration Building, Room 115.