

Palomar College

Advanced Placement (AP) Guide

- Students must have the College Board send an official Advanced Placement transcript to the Palomar College Records Office. Credit is awarded for scores of 3, 4, or 5. Students shall not receive duplicate credit for equivalent coursework and AP exams.
- AP credit may be used to meet Associate Degree GE and/or Palomar major course work, CSU GE, and IGETC requirements. Each CSU/UC campus will determine how it will apply examinations toward units and coursework in the major and G.E. (if not certified prior to transfer)
- When included within the Associate Degree for Transfer (AA-T/AS-T), Advanced Placement (AP) credit shall apply toward the lower-division minimum unit requirement for the CSU degree, and if applicable, the minimum unit designation for the CSU major or CSU GE-Breadth requirements.

| AP Exams | Score | Palomar | | | CSU System | | | UC System | | | |
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| | | Palomar Equivalent | Palomar Credit | Palomar AD GE Credit | Palomar AD GE Area | CSU Transfer Credit | CSU GE Credit | CSU AH&I or GE Area | UC Transfer Credit | IGETC Credit | IGETC Area |
| Art History | 3 | NE | 3 | 3 | C | 6 | 3 | C1 or C2 | 5.3 | 3 | 3A or 3B |
| Biology | 3 | BIOL 100 | 4 | 4 | B | 6 | 4 | B2 and B3 | 5.3 | 4 | 5B and 5C |
| Calculus AB* | 3 | MATH 140 | 3 | 3 | A2, Comp | 3 ¹ | 3 | B4 | 2.6 ² | 3 | 2A |
| Calculus BC* | 3 | MATH 140 and 141 | 6 | 3 | A2, Comp | 6 ¹ | 3 | B4 | 5.3 ² | 3 | 2A |
| Calculus BC/AB* | 3 | MATH 140 | 3 | 3 | A2, Comp | 3 ¹ | 3 | B4 | 2.6 ² | 3 | 2A |
| <i>Exam Limitations</i> | | 1) CSU limit max one exam toward transfer *Maximum Palomar credit 6.0 units combined 2) UC limit max 8 qtr/ 5.3 sem units for both Calculus AB and BC | | | | | | | | | |
| Chemistry | 3 | CHEM 110 and 110L | 4 | 4 | B | 6 | 4 ³ | B1 and B3 | 5.3 | 4 | 5A and 5C |
| <i>Exam Limitations</i> | | 3) Taken prior to Fall 2009 may apply 6 units to B1 + B3 | | | | | | | | | |
| Chinese Language & Culture | 3 | CHIN 201 | 6 | 4 | C | 6 | 3 | C2 | 5.3 | 3 | 3B and 6A |
| Comparative Government & Politics | 3 | NE | 3 | 3 | D | 3 | 3 | D | 2.6 | 3 | 4 |
| Computer Science A | 3 | CSCI 114 | 4 | 0 | N/A | 3 | 0 | N/A | 1.3 | 0 | N/A |
| Computer Science Principles | 3 | NE | 3 | 0 | N/A | 6 | 3 | B4 | 5.3 | 0 | N/A |
| English Language & Composition | 3 | ENG 100 | 4 | 4 | A1 | 6 | 3 | A2 | 5.3 ⁴ | 3 | 1A |
| English Literature & Composition | 3 | ENG 100 or 205 | 4 or 3 | 4 or 3 | A1 or C | 6 | 6 | A2 and C2 | 5.3 ⁴ | 3 | 1A or 3B |
| <i>Exam Limitations</i> | | 4) UC limit max 8 qtr/ 5.3 sem units for both English exams | | | | | | | | | |
| Environmental Science ⁵ | 3 | NE | 4 | 4 | B | 4 | 4 | B1 and B3 ⁶ | 2.6 | 3 ⁵ | 5A and 5C |
| <i>Exam Limitations</i> | | 5) Environmental Science, Physics C: Mechanics, and Physics C: Electricity/Magnetism earn 3 semester/4 quarter units each on IGETC and will require at least 4 additional semester units to include an Area 5B/Biological Science to satisfy IGETC Area 5. 6) CSU: taken prior to Fall 2009 may apply to either B1+B3 or B2+B3 | | | | | | | | | |
| European History | 3 | NE | 6 | 3 | C or D | 6 | 3 | C2 or D | 5.3 | 3 | 3B or 4 |
| European History | 4 or 5 | HIST 106 | 6 | 3 | C or D | 6 | 3 | C2 or D | 5.3 | 3 | 3B or 4 |
| French Language & Culture | 3 | FREN 201 | 6 | 4 | C | 6 | 3 ⁷ | C2 | 5.3 | 3 | 3B and 6A |
| German Language & Culture | 3 | GERM 201 | 6 | 4 | C | 6 | 3 ⁷ | C2 | 5.3 | 3 | 3B and 6A |
| <i>Exam Limitations</i> | | 7) CSU: taken prior to Fall 2009 may apply 6 units to C2 | | | | | | | | | |
| Human Geography | 3 | GEOG 105 | 3 | 3 | D | 3 | 3 | D | 2.6 | 3 | 4 |
| Italian Language & Culture | 3 | ITAL 201 | 6 | 4 | C | 6 | 3 | C2 | 5.3 | 3 | 3B and 6A |
| Japanese Language & Culture | 3 | JAPN 201 | 6 | 4 | C | 6 | 3 | C2 | 5.3 | 3 | 3B and 6A |

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| | | | Palomar Credit | Palomar AD GE Credit | Palomar AD GE Area | CSU Transfer Credit | CSU GE Credit | CSU AH&I or GE Area | UC Transfer Credit | IGETC Credit | IGETC Area |
| Latin | 3 | NE | 3 | 3 | C | 6 | 3 | C2 | 5.3 | 3 | 3B and 6A |
| Latin: Vergil | 3 | NE | 3 | 3 | C | 3 | 3 | C2 | 2.6 | 3 | 3B and 6A |
| Macroeconomics | 3 | ECON 101 | 3 | 3 | D | 3 | 3 | D | 2.6 | 3 | 4 |
| Microeconomics | 3 | ECON 102 | 3 | 3 | D | 3 | 3 | D | 2.6 | 3 | 4 |
| Music Theory | 3 | MUS 103 | 3 | 3 | C | 6 | 0 | N/A | 5.3 | 0 | N/A |
| Physics 1 | 3 | PHYS 120 | 4 | 4 | B | 4 ⁸ | 4 ⁸ | B1 and B3 | 5.3 ⁹ | 4 | 5A and 5C |
| Physics 2 | 3 | PHYS 121 | 4 | 4 | B | 4 ⁸ | 4 ⁸ | B1 and B3 | 5.3 ⁹ | 4 | 5A and 5C |
| Exam Limitations | | 8) CSU limit max 6 units for transfer and 4 units for GE certification 9) UC limit max 8 qtr/ 5.3 sem units for any combination of AP Physics exams | | | | | | | | | |
| Physics B (Discontinued Fall 2015) | 3 | PHYS 101 | 4 | 4 | B | 6 | 4 ¹⁰ | B1 and B3 | 5.3 ⁹ | 4 | 5A and 5C |
| Exam Limitations | | 9) UC limit max 8 qtr/ 5.3 sem units for any combination of AP Physics exams 10) CSU: taken prior to Fall 2009 may apply 6 units to B1+B3 | | | | | | | | | |
| Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism ⁵ | 3 | PHYS 201 | 4 | 4 | B | 4 ⁸ | 4 ⁸ | B1 and B3 | 2.6 ⁹ | 3 | 5A and 5C |
| Physics C: Mechanics ⁵ | 3 | PHYS 200 | 4 | 4 | B | 4 ⁸ | 4 ⁸ | B1 and B3 | 2.6 ⁹ | 3 | 5A and 5C |
| Exam Limitations | | 5) Environmental Science, Physics C: Mechanics, and Physics C: Electricity/Magnetism earn 3 units each on IGETC and will require at least 4 additional semester units to include an Area 5B/Biological Science to satisfy IGETC Area 5. 8) CSU limit max 6 units for transfer and 4 units for GE certification 9) UC limit max 8 qtr/ 5.3 sem units for any combination of AP Physics exams | | | | | | | | | |
| Psychology | 3 | PSYC 100 | 3 | 3 | D | 3 | 3 | D | 2.6 | 3 | 4 |
| Seminar | 3 | NE | 3 | 0 | N/A | 3 | 0 | N/A | 0 | 0 | N/A |
| Spanish Language & Culture | 3 | SPAN 201 | 6 | 4 | C | 6 | 3 ¹¹ | C2 | 5.3 | 3 | 3B and 6A |
| Spanish Literature & Culture | 3 | SPAN 202 | 6 | 4 | C | 6 | 3 ¹¹ | C2 | 5.3 | 3 | 3B and 6A |
| Exam Limitations | | 11) CSU: taken prior to Fall 2009 may apply 6 units to C2 | | | | | | | | | |
| Statistics | 3 | MATH 120 | 3 | 3 | A2, Comp | 3 | 3 | B4 | 2.6 | 3 | 2A |
| Studio Art: 2-D Design | 3 | NE | 3 | 0 | N/A | 3 | 0 | N/A | 5.3 ¹² | 0 | N/A |
| Studio Art: 3-D Design | 3 | NE | 3 | 0 | N/A | 3 | 0 | N/A | 5.3 ¹² | 0 | N/A |
| Studio Art: Drawing | 3 | NE | 3 | 0 | N/A | 3 | 0 | N/A | 5.3 ¹² | 0 | N/A |
| Exam Limitations | | 12) UC credit limit max 8 qtr/ 5.3 sem units for the following exams: Studio Art: 2-D Design, Studio Art: 3-D Design, Studio Art: Drawing | | | | | | | | | |
| U.S. Government & Politics ¹³ | 3 | NE | 3 | 3 | D | 3 | 3 | D+US-2 ¹⁴ | 2.6 | 3 | 4 + US-2 ¹⁴ |
| Exam Limitations | | 13) Passing U.S. Government & Politics and U.S. History exams in combination with a "C" or better in POSC 120 will fulfill the AH&I requirement. 14) For AH& I: Students must also satisfactorily pass with "C" or better in any US-1 and US-3 course. See supplemental guide for details. | | | | | | | | | |
| U.S. History ¹³ | 3 | NE | 6 | 3 | C or D +US-1 ¹⁵ | 6 | 3 | C2 or D +US-1 ¹⁵ | 5.3 | 3 | 3B or 4 +US-1 ¹⁵ |
| U.S. History ¹³ | 4 | HIST 101 or HIST 102 | 6 | 3 | C or D +US-1 ¹⁵ | 6 | 3 | C2 or D +US-1 ¹⁵ | 5.3 | 3 | 3B or 4 +US-1 ¹⁵ |
| U.S. History ¹³ | 5 | HIST 101 and HIST 102 | 6 | 3 | C or D +US-1 ¹⁵ | 6 | 3 | C2 or D +US-1 ¹⁵ | 5.3 | 3 | 3B or 4 +US-1 ¹⁵ |
| Exam Limitations | | 13) Passing U.S. Government & Politics and U.S. History exams in combination with a "C" or better in POSC 120 will fulfill the AH&I requirement. 15) For AH& I: Students must also satisfactorily pass with "C" or better POSC 102 | | | | | | | | | |
| World History | 3 | NE | 3 | 3 | C or D | 3 | 3 | C2 or D | 5.3 | 3 | 3B or 4 |
| World History | 4 or 5 | HIST 108 | 3 | 3 | C or D | 3 | 3 | C2 or D | 5.3 | 3 | 3B or 4 |