

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)

Overview

Cerritos College will provide general education credit for students towards A.A. or A.S. degree (non-ADT) with a minimum score of 4 in selected International Baccalaureate (IB) exams. The student shall be responsible for submitting official IB examination documentation to the Admissions and Records Office to verify test scores.

Any student who passes an IB examination with a minimum score of 4 or 5 in the notated disciplines will be awarded credit in a Cerritos General Education Curriculum (CGEC) area with a subject matter similar to that of the IB examination. Student wishing to apply IB credit towards transfer general education, unit, and major requirements should consult with a Cerritos College counselor.

IB Exam	Passing Scores	CGEC Areas	Minimum Semester Units
Biology HL	5	5: Natural Sciences	3
Business Management HL	5	Not applicable to CGEC	0
Chemistry HL	5	5: Natural Sciences	3
Computer Science HL ⁶	5	Not applicable to CGEC	0
Dance HL	5	Not applicable to CGEC	0
Design Technology HL	5	Not applicable to CGEC	0
Digital Society HL	5	Not applicable to CGEC	0
Economics HL	5	4: Social & Behavioral Sciences	3
Environmental Systems and Societies HL	5	Not applicable to CGEC	0
Film HL	5	Not applicable to CGEC	0
Geography HL	5	4: Social & Behavioral Sciences	3
Global Politics HL	5	4: Social & Behavioral Sciences	3
History (any Region) HL	5	4: Social & Behavioral Sciences OR 3: Arts & Humanities	3
Language A: Literature HL	4	3: Arts & Humanities	3
Language A: Language & Literature HL	4	3: Arts & Humanities	3

Language A1 (any language) HL ⁵	4	3: Arts & Humanities	3
Language A2 (any language) HL ⁵	4	3: Arts & Humanities	3
Language B (any language) HL ⁵	4	Not applicable to CGEC	0
Mathematics HL	4	2: Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning	3
Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches HL ⁶	4	2: Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning	3
Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches HL	4	2: Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning	3
Mathematics: Applications and Interpretation HL ⁶	4	2: Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning	3
Mathematics: Applications and Interpretation HL	4	2: Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning	3
Music HL	5	Not applicable to CGEC	0
Philosophy HL	5	3: Arts & Humanities	3
Physics HL	5	5: Natural Sciences	3
Psychology HL	5	4: Social & Behavioral Sciences	3
Social and Cultural Anthropology HL	5	4: Social & Behavioral Sciences	3
Sports, Exercise and Health Science HL	5	Not applicable to CGEC	0
Theatre HL	4	3: Arts & Humanities	3
Visual Arts HL	5	Not applicable to CGEC	0
World Religions HL	5	3: Arts & Humanities	3

HL = Higher Level

⁵ The IB curriculum offers languages at various levels for native and non-native speakers. Language B courses are offered at the intermediate level for non-native speakers. IB Language A1 and A2 courses are advanced courses in literature for native and non-native speakers, respectively.

⁶ If a student passes more than one AP exam in calculus or computer science and/or more than one IB exam in mathematics or computer science, credit for only one exam may be applied to the baccalaureate.

For full detail, please review the CSU External Exam table at <https://www.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Pages/External-Exam-Credit.aspx#InplviewHash6d53e609-96a0-4440-9e6f-dc217d795740=FilterField1%3DAcademicYear-FilterValue1%3D2025%252D2026>.