

ONLINE NON-STANDARD UNDERGRADUATE STANDARDIZED TEST ACCEPTANCE & TEST SCORE CRITERIA

All standardized testing must be completed within one calendar year of a student's matriculation to CIU. A maximum of 30 credits of standardized test credit may be earned toward a bachelor's degree; a maximum of 15 credits of standardized test credit may be earned toward an associate's degree. CLEP and DANTES credit must be earned prior to the student's graduating semester. CIU will accept credit by examination through the College Board's Advanced Placement (AP) Program; Cambridge International Examinations; the International Baccalaureate Program, the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, the College Board's College-Level Examination Program (CLEP); and the Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DSST, formerly known as "DANTES") consistent with fair and equitable application of these policies. Credits earned by examination are not counted toward residency requirements for graduation.

Advanced Placement Exams (AP Exams)

Columbia International University participates in the Advanced Placement Program of the College Board. Credit may be awarded to students who perform satisfactorily in certain college-level courses in secondary school and who receive a score of "3," "4," or "5" on the Advanced Placement Examinations. The amount of credit (if variable) and where the credit fits into the respective student's program requirements will be determined by the CIU Registrar's office, in consultation with the specific program director.

Credit can only be offered in fields of study that are equivalent to those offered or approved by the university. The university follows the American Council on Education (ACE) credit recommendations as listed in the chart below. Credits earned by AP examination are not counted toward residency requirements for graduation.

| | AP SCORE | CREDIT | COURSE SUBSTITUTION | AP SCORE | CREDIT | COURSE SUBSTITUTION |
|---|----------|--------|---------------------|----------|--------|---------------------|
| Art History | 3, 4 | 3 | Elective | 5 | 6 | HIS 2010+3 hours |
| Biology | 3 | 3 | SCI 2010 | 4, 5 | 6 | SCI 2010+3 hours |
| Calculus AB | 3, 4, 5 | 3 | MAT 2010 | | | |
| Calculus BC | 3, 4, 5 | 6 | MAT 2010 | | | |
| Chemistry | 3 | 3 | SCI2010 | 4, 5 | 6 | SCI 2010 + 3 hours |
| Chinese Language & Culture | 3 | 3 | Elective | 4, 5 | 6 | SOC 2010 + 3 hours |
| Comparative Government & Politics | 3, 4, 5 | 3 | Elective | | | |
| Computer Science A | 3 | 3 | CPT 1010 | 4, 5 | 6 | CPT 1010+3 hours |
| English Language & Composition | 3, 4 | 3 | ENG 1010 | 5 | 6 | ENG1010 & ENG1020 |
| English Literature & Composition | 3, 4 | 3 | ENG 1020 | 5 | 6 | ENG1010 & ENG1020 * |
| Environmental Science | 3, 4, 5 | 3 | SCI 2010 | | | |
| European History | 3 | 3 | HIS 2010 | 4, 5 | 6 | HIS 2010 + 3 hours |
| French Language & Culture | 3, 4 | 3 | Elective | 5 | 6 | SOC 2010 + 3 hours |
| German Language & Culture | 3, 4 | 3 | Elective | 5 | 6 | SOC 2010 + 3 hours |
| Human Geography | 3, 4, 5 | 3 | Elective | | | |
| Italian Language & Culture | 3, 4 | 3 | Elective | 5 | 6 | SOC 2010+3 hours |
| Japanese Language & Culture | 3, 4 | 3 | Elective | 5 | 6 | SOC 2010+3 hours |
| Latin | 3, 4 | 3 | Elective | 5 | 6 | SOC 2010+3 hours |
| Macroeconomics | 3, 4, 5 | 3 | ELECTIVE | | | |
| Microeconomics | 3, 4, 5 | 3 | ELECTIVE | | | |
| Music Theory | 3, 4 | 3 | ELECTIVE | 5 | 6 | Elective |
| Physics B | 3 | 3 | SCI2010 | 4, 5 | 6 | SCI 2010+ 3 hours |
| Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism | 3 | 3 | SCI2010 | 4, 5 | 6 | SCI 2010 + 3 hours |
| Physics C: Mechanics | 3 | 3 | SCI2010 | 4, 5 | 6 | SCI 2010 + 3 hours |
| Psychology | 3, 4, 5 | 3 | PSY 2010 | | | |
| Spanish Language & Culture | 3, 4 | 3 | Elective | 5 | 6 | Elective |
| Spanish Literature & Culture | 3, 4 | 3 | Elective | 5 | 6 | Elective |

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| Statistics | 3, 4, 5 | 3 | BUS 2010 | | | |
| Studio Art: 2-D Design | 3, 4, 5 | 3 | Elective | | | |
| Studio Art: 3-D Design | 3, 4, 5, | 3 | Elective | | | |
| Studio Art: Drawing | 3, 4, 5 | 3 | | | | |
| United States Government & Politics | 3, 4, 5 | 3 | HIS 2010 | | | |
| United States History | 3, 4 | 3 | HIS 2010 | 5 | 6 | HIS 2010+3 hrs. |
| World History | 3, 4, 5 | 3 | HIS 2010 | | | |

Cambridge International Examinations

Columbia International University awards credit for Advanced Subsidiary (AS) and Advanced (A) level Cambridge International Examinations for which students earn a grade of “E” or better. Advanced Subsidiary (AS) examinations are awarded three semester hours and Advanced (A) level are awarded six semester hours. Credit is awarded only for the A level examination if the transcript indicates both AS and A level examinations for a single content area. Credit for duplicate examinations will not be awarded. Credit is recorded by the Office of the University Registrar in accordance with standard transfer practices and in consultation with the specific program director.

International Baccalaureate Program

CIU awards credit for higher-level International Baccalaureate (IB) examination scores upon receipt of the official IB Examination results. IB courses which may be applied to the CIU curriculum are listed below.

| | SCORE OF 4 | SCORE OF 5, 6, 7 |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Art/Design | 3 elective hours | 6 elective hours |
| English | ENG 1010 (3 hours) * | ENG 1010 & ENG 1020 (6 hours) * |
| German | 3 elective hours | 6 Elective Hours |
| History: Europe | 3 elective hours | 6 Elective Hours |
| Mathematical Methods | MAT 2010 (3 hours) | MAT 2010 and 3 Elective Hours (6 hours) |
| Philosophy | PHI 1010 (3 hours) | PHI 1010 (3 hours) |
| Physics | 3 elective hours | 6 Elective Hours |
| Psychology | PSY 2010 (3 hours) | PSY 2010 (3 hours) |

The American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages

The American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) assesses proficiency in over 37 languages. CIU recognizes the evaluation of ACTFL and will accept their Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) and Oral Proficiency Interview Computer (OPIC) as evidence of language proficiency and will grant up to 12 credits, according to the recommendation of the American Council on Education (ACE). CIU will not accept ACTFL assessment of the English language for foreign language credit. Additional information regarding this language proficiency testing program can be found at www.actfl.org. For on-campus assistance in arranging for ACTFL testing contact the Academic Success Center.

College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) or DANTES Subject Standardized Tests (DSST)

The College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) and the DANTES Subject Standardized Tests (DSST) are used to establish credit for certain college courses. For CLEP exams that are approved by the university, minimum raw score requirements for credit and credit hours approved per exam are listed on the next page. For DSST examinations, CIU follows the recommendations provided by the American Council on Education’s College Credit Recommendation Service (ACE CREDIT).

All CLEP and DANTES exams must be completed within one calendar year of a student’s matriculation to CIU. CLEP and DANTES credit must be earned prior to the student’s graduating semester. Students are encouraged to take exams prior to arriving on campus at a testing center, but may take the CLEP exam at CIU’s Academic Success Center. (The CIU school code for CLEP testing is 5116.)

If students have credit in a content area for which they desire to attempt an examination, students must waive (disavow) the credit before taking the exam. CIU will not grant standardized test credit for any course for which the student is currently enrolled, has already been awarded credit, or has audited.

Credit earned by CLEP or DSST examination is not counted toward residency requirements for graduation. In order to receive CLEP or DSST credit, an official transcript must be provided. (Official transcripts will be accepted only from the College Board or Prometric) The university will not automatically transfer CLEP or DSST credit posted on transcripts from other institutions of higher education.

| CLEP EXAMINATION | PASSING SCORE | CREDIT EARNED | EQUIVALENT COURSE |
|---|---------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| BUSINESS | | | |
| Financial Accounting | 50 | 3 | BUS 2020 |
| Information Systems | 50 | 3 | CPT 1010 |
| Introductory Business Law | 50 | 3 | Elective Hours |
| Principles of Management | 50 | 3 | Elective Hours |
| Principles of Marketing | 50 | 3 | Elective Hours |
| COMPOSITION AND LITERATURE | | | |
| American Literature | 50 | 3 | Elective Hours |
| Analyzing and Interpreting Literature | 50 | 3 | ENG 1020 |
| College Composition | 50 | 6 | ENG 1010+3 hours |
| College Composition Modular (no essay) | 50 | 3 | Elective Hours |
| English Literature | 50 | 3 | ENG 1020 |
| Humanities | 50 | 3 | SOC 2010 |
| WORLD LANGUAGES | | | |
| French Language, Level 1 | 50 | 6 | Elective |
| French Language, Level 2 | 59 | 9 | Elective |
| German Language, Level 1 | 50 | 6 | Elective |
| German Language, Level 2 | 60 | 9 | Elective |
| Spanish Language, Level 1 | 50 | 6 | Elective |
| Spanish Language, Level 2 | 63 | 9 | Elective |
| Level 1-equivalent to the first two semesters (or six semesters hours) of college-level world language course work Level 2-equivalent to the first three semesters (or 9 semester hours) of college-level world language course work | | | |
| HISTORY & SOCIAL SCIENCES | | | |
| American Government | 50 | 3 | 3 Elective Hours |
| History of the United States I: Early Colonization to 1877 | 50 | 3 | HIS 2010 |
| History of the United States II: 1865 to Present | 50 | 3 | HIS 2010 |
| Human Growth and Development | 50 | 3 | Elective |
| Introductory Psychology | 50 | 3 | PSY 2010 |
| Introduction to Educational Psychology | 50 | 3 | PSY 2010 |
| Introductory Sociology | 50 | 3 | SOC 2010 |
| Principles of Macroeconomics | 50 | 3 | 3 Elective Hours |
| Principles of Microeconomics | 50 | 3 | 3 Elective Hours |
| Social Sciences and History | 50 | 6 | HIS 2010 +SOC2010 |
| Western Civilization I: Ancient Near East to 1648 | 50 | 3 | HIS 2010 |
| Western Civilization II: 1648 to Present | 50 | 3 | HIS 2010 |
| SCIENCE & MATHEMATICS | | | |
| Biology | 50 | 6 | SCI2010. + 3 Elective Hours |
| Calculus | 50 | 4 | BUS 2010 + 1 Elective Hour |
| Chemistry | 50 | 6 | SCI2010 + 3 Elective Hours |
| College Algebra | 50 | 3 | MAT2010 |
| College Mathematics | 50 | 6 | MAT2010.+3 hours |
| Natural Sciences | 50 | 6 | SCI 2010+3 hours |
| Precalculus | 50 | 3 | MAT2010 |