CLEP

CUS Policies, Info. Guide and Course Equivalencies

Life Directions Center

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Frequently Asked Questions:

1. How do I know if I will receive credit for passing a CLEP exam?

You will need to contact your particular institution to determine how the CLEP exam will transfer for credit toward your degree.

- If you are in the College of Undergraduate Studies (CUS) at Colorado Christian University (CCU), see the end of this packet for a detailed list of test/course equivalencies and the corresponding passing scores in order to receive credit.
- If you are not a CUS student, you may or may not receive credit. Often, schools
 will only award credit for specific exams that they accept as equivalent to a
 specific course.
- 2. At CCU, is there a limit to the number of credits a student may earn by testing or are there any other conditions on earning credit that I should be aware of?

Please refer to the current catalog's non-traditional credit in the academic policies for active policies. The active catalog policies will supersede the policies listed in this document.

Yes, you must consider the following conditions:

- A student may earn a maximum of 45 credit hours by examination.
- A student may not receive credit by examination for a course in which he or she
 has been registered at CCU and received any grade or is currently registered for
 the course at CCU past the drop date.
- A student may not receive credit by examination for a subject in which the student is currently attending or has already successfully completed a higherlevel course or test. For example, a student may not receive credit for Beginning Spanish Level II, and then receive credit for a subsequently taken test in Beginning Spanish Level I. In other words, there must be an upward educational progression in courses that are considered sequential in nature.
- A student may not receive credit for an examination after already receiving credit for completion of an equivalent course or test. For example, a student may not receive credit for a standard, classroom-type English Composition course and then receive credit for a CLEP test for English Composition. This policy is intended to prevent duplicate credit for specific courses, not general areas of study.
- Residency requirements (in order to earn a CCU undergraduate degree, the following semester hours must be earned through CCU courses):
 - A minimum of 30 overall credits

- Within your major, at least 50% of the course requirements & at least 12 upper division (300 or 400 level) credits.
- Within your minor, at least 50% of the course requirements.

3. How soon are the exam results available?

Generally, CLEP test results are available within one business day of your test date. (except in the case of Composition/Essay exams which take two to three weeks to deliver). The official score report will be received by the selected institution in approximately two to three weeks.

4. How do I send my exam transcript (official score report) to CCU?

At the time of your exam, make sure to enter our school code into the "Score Report Recipient" field in order to have your official score report sent to CCU free of charge. **CLEP**: 4659

5. What if I do not receive a passing score?

For CLEP, you may take the same exam again in three months.

6. What if I am already registered for a class I would like to test out of?

You should schedule to take the test prior to the add/drop date in order to receive your test score in time to drop your class, in the event that you pass the test. If you do not pass the test, you will still be able to continue taking the class as normal.

7. Is there a deadline to complete a test in order to participate in Commencement? Yes! Students who anticipate earning required credits by taking CLEP exams must complete these tests and have the test transcripts submitted no later than registration their final semester to have the test results count toward fulfillment of their degree.

complete these tests and have the test transcripts submitted no later than registration their final semester to have the test results count toward fulfillment of their degree requirements and participate in Commencement. Students are normally expected to complete all requirements toward fulfillment of their degree prior to participating in Commencement.

8. Where can I take CLEP exams?

Please use the following links to find test centers that are near you...

CLEP: http://clep.collegeboard.org/search/test-centers

9. What study resources are available to prepare?

CLEP publishes comprehensive study guides found in most bookstores and available for reference in many libraries. Extensive practice exams can be found online as well. There are also plenty of resources available free of charge on their websites (such as a breakdown of each test's subject matter, limited sample questions, study tips, etc.)

CLEP: www.collegeboard.com/clep

NOTES:

CLEP is a third party testing agencies which changes scores and content several times a year. CCU reflects these changes accordingly. Please check with your CCU advisor to find the most current standards and verify course equivalency.

Petitions to accept scores below the ACE scores noted on this document will not be entertained by CCU administration as the American Council on Education's College Credit Recommendation Service (ACE) does not recognize scores below the noted standard.

If you are a College of Adult & Graduate Studies student, please contact your Student Service Advisor before scheduling an exam.

CLEP Score Standards: CUS			
Exam Title	Min Score	Credits	
American Government	50	3	Elective Credit
American Literature	50	3	ENG 203
Analyzing and Interpreting Literature	62	3	ENG 201
Biology	50	3	Elective Credit
Calculus	50	4	MAT 141 and MAT 142
Chemistry	50	3	Elective Credit
College Algebra	50	3	MAT 114
College Composition	50	3	ENG 102
College Composition Modular		NOT A	CCEPTED
College Mathematics	50	3	MAT 112
English Literature	50	3	ENG 204
Financial Accounting	50	4	ACC 201
French Language: Levels 1 and 2	50-59	6	Language Elective
French Language: Levels 1 and 2	60+	9	Language Elective
German Language: Levels 1 and 2	50-59	6	Language Elective
German Language: Levels 1 and 2	60+	9	Language Elective
History of US I: Early Colonization to 1877	50	3	HIS 205
History of the United States II: 1865 to the	50	3	HIS 206
Present			
Human Growth and Development	50	3	PSY 245
Humanities	50	3	Elective Credit
Information Systems	50	3	CIS 101
Introduction to Educational Psychology	50	3	Elective Credit
Introductory Business Law	62	3	LAW 303
Introductory Psychology	50	3	PSY 101
Introductory Sociology	50	3	Elective Credit
Natural Science	50	3	Elective Credit
Precalculus	50	3	MAT 115
Principles of Macroeconomics	50	3	Elective Credit
Principles of Management	50	3	Elective Credit
Principles of Marketing	62	3	MKT 202
Principles of Microeconomics	50	3	Elective Credit
Social Science & History	50	3	Elective Credit
Spanish Language: Levels 1 and 2	50-59	6	Language Elective
Spanish Language: Levels 1 and 2	60+	9	Language Elective
Spanish with Writing: Levels 1 and 2	50-59	6	Language Elective
Spanish with Writing: Levels 1 and 2	60+	9	Language Elective
Western Civilization I: Ancient Near East	50	3	Elective Credit
to 1648			
Western Civilization II: 1648 to Present	50	3	HIS 186

