

Transferring Your Credit



Basic Transfer Credit Policies

CMC will consider requests for transfer credit for courses taken at accredited institutions in a context and environment that provides direct contact with regular faculty and degree-seeking college students. Courses must be comparable to courses offered by The Claremont Colleges during the regular academic year.

Correspondence courses, “college without walls”, distance learning programs, interactive television, and other programs where students do not directly interact with college faculty and college students are not eligible for transfer credit. No credit will be given for college courses taught at high schools, for high school students, or for open-door college courses at community centers.

One CMC course is the equivalent of 4 semester units or 6 quarter units. Transfer credit will be converted to CMC credit according to this standard conversion formula, approved by the CMC faculty. Students must earn grades of C or better for courses to transfer to CMC, but those grades will not factor in to the CMC grade point average.



First-Year Students

Students entering CMC as first-year, first-time degree seeking candidates may request transfer credit for a maximum of 4 CMC courses (16 semester units) for college work completed prior to their entrance at CMC. Such college credit may be granted in addition to a maximum of 4 credits for Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) exams.

Those entering CMC as first-year students may not complete more than 4 general education requirements off-campus (in summer school, through Advanced Placement, study abroad, etc.).

Transfer Students

There is no limit to the number of courses transfer students may take prior to their enrollment at CMC; but only the equivalent of 16 CMC courses, including Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) exams, will be accepted toward graduation from CMC.

No transfer credit will be given for courses challenged by examination at another academic institution or for placement credit at other academic institutions, even though that institution has given credit.



AP and IB Credit Summary

CMC awards credit in the following areas, up to a maximum of 4 total units.

Field	Exams/Scores	Notes
Foreign Languages*	Any AP language or literature exam in French, Spanish, German, Latin, Chinese, or Japanese with score of 4 or 5	One unit of credit equivalent to the third semester in exam language and fulfillment of the foreign language requirement
	Any IB (HL) language exam bearing A or B designation with score of 6 or 7	

*For foreign languages offered with *The Claremont Colleges* but not at Claremont McKenna College, the policy of the sponsoring college or department will be honored.

AP and IB Placement Summary

CMC awards placement credit in the following areas. No credit is awarded for these exams.

Field	Exams/Scores	Notes
Economics	Microeconomics and Macroeconomics AP exams with combined score of 9 or 10	Students may satisfy the ECON 050 CM social sciences general education requirement with ECON 101 CM or ECON 102 CM.
	Economics IB (HL) exam with score of 6 or 7	
English	English Literature or English Language AP exam with score of 5	Students may request Literature Department Chair permission to satisfy their FWS 010 CM general education requirement with a CMC Lit course numbered 60 or above.
	English IB (HL) exam with score of 7	
Mathematics	Calculus AB AP exam with score of 4 or 5	Placement in MATH 031 CM
	Calculus BC AP exam with score of 4 or 5 Any IB (HL) mathematics exam with score of 6 or 7	Placement in MATH 032 CM
Psychological Science	Psychological Psychology AP exam with score of 5	Students may take any CMC Psychological-Science course numbered below 100 in lieu PSYC 030 CM.
	Psychology IB (HL) exam with score of 7	

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