



Advanced Placement (AP) Test Score Equivalencies at Washington CTCs

The chart included on this page represents course equivalencies awarded each Advanced Placement (AP) exam score and recognized by all community and technical colleges in Washington. Colleges may award additional credits based on local policies, when appropriate, but should not award course equivalency credit for scores lower than those listed in this table. **Students interested in transferring to a four-year university should check the requirements of their target school to determine the best way to use their AP exam credits.**

4.60.50 Advanced Placement: Washington state community and technical colleges will award *unrestricted elective* credit for an Advanced Placement (AP) score of 3 or higher. Credit will be awarded on the basis of official AP results, not transcript notation. Credits granted for *general education or major requirements* will be specified by the *receiving institution’s AP credit policies*; otherwise, elective credit will be granted.

AP Equivalency

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Currently available?	AP Test	Score	Credits (minimum awarded per score)
y	Art: Art History	3	ART& 100 (5)
		4	ART& 100 (5)
		5	ART& 100 (5)
y	Art: Studio Art - Drawing	3	Elective (5)
		4	Humanities Distribution (5)
		5	Humanities Distribution (5)
y	Art: 2D Design	3	Humanities Distribution (5)
		4	Humanities Distribution (5)
		5	Humanities Distribution (5)
y	Art: 3D Design	3	Humanities Distribution (5)
		4	Humanities Distribution (5)
		5	Humanities Distribution (5)
y	Biology	3	BIOL& 100, BIOL& 160 (5)
		4	BIOL& 100, BIOL& 160 (5)
		5	BIOL& 100, BIOL& 160 (5)

Currently available?	AP Test	Score	Credits (minimum awarded per score)
y	Calculus AB	3	MATH& 151 (5)
		4	MATH& 151 (5)
		5	MATH& 151 (5)
y	Calculus BC	3	MATH& 151, MATH& 152 (5)
		4	MATH& 151, MATH& 152 (5)
		5	MATH& 151, MATH& 152 (5)
y	Chemistry	3	CHEM& 121, CHEM& 161 (5)
		4	CHEM& 121, CHEM& 161 (5)
		5	CHEM& 121, CHEM& 161, CHEM& 162 (10)
y	Chinese Language & Culture	3	CHIN& 121 (5)
		4	CHIN& 121, CHIN& 122 (5)
		5	CHIN& 121, CHIN& 122, CHIN& 123 (10)
y	Computer Science A	3	Elective (5)
		4	CS& 141 (5)
		5	CS& 141 (5)
n	Computer Science AB	3	Elective (5)
		4	Elective (5)
		5	Elective (5)
y	Economics: Micro	3	ECON& 201 (5)
		4	ECON& 201 (5)
		5	ECON& 201 (5)
y	Economics: Macro	3	ECON& 202 (5)
		4	ECON& 202 (5)
		5	ECON& 202 (5)
y	English: Lang & Comp	3	Elective (5)
		4	ENGL& 101 (5)
		5	ENGL& 101 (5)
y	English: Lit & Comp	3	Humanities Distribution (5)
		4	Humanities Distribution (5)

Currently available?	AP Test	Score	Credits (minimum awarded per score)
		5	Humanities Distribution (5)
y	Environmental Science	3	ENVS& 100 (5)
		4	ENVS& 100, ENVS& 101 (5)
		5	ENVS& 100, ENVS& 101 (5)
y	European History	3	HIST& 116, HIST& 117, HIST& 118 (5)
		4	HIST& 116, HIST& 117, HIST& 118 (5)
		5	HIST& 116, HIST& 117, HIST& 118 (5)
y	French Language & Culture	3	FRCH& 121 (5)
		4	FRCH& 121, FRCH& 122, (5)
		5	FRCH& 121, FRCH& 122, FRCH& 123 (10)
n	French Literature	3	FRCH& 121 (5)
		4	FRCH& 121, FRCH& 122 (5)
		5	FRCH& 121, FRCH & 122, FRCH& 123 (10)
y	German Language & Culture	3	GERM& 121 (5)
		4	GERM& 121, GERM& 122 (5)
		5	GERM& 121, GERM& 122, GERM& 123 (10)
y	US Government & Politics	3	Elective (5)
		4	POLS& 202 (5)
		5	POLS& 202 (5)
y	Comparative Government & Politics	3	Elective (5)
		4	POLS& 101 (5)
		5	POLS& 101, POLS& 201 (5)
y	Human Geography	3	GEOG& 200 (5)
		4	GEOG& 200 (5)
		5	GEOG& 200 (5)
y	Italian Language & Culture	3	ITAL& 121, Humanities distribution (5)
		4	ITAL& 121, Humanities distribution (5)

Currently available?	AP Test	Score	Credits (minimum awarded per score)
		5	ITAL& 121, Humanities distribution (10)
y	Japanese Language	3	JAPN& 121 (5)
		4	JAPN& 121, JAPN& 122 (5)
		5	JAPN& 121, JAPN& 122, JAPN& 123 (10)
n	Latin Literature	3	Humanities Distribution (5)
		4	Humanities Distribution (5)
		5	Humanities Distribution (5)
n	Latin: Virgil	3	Elective, Humanities Elective (5)
		4	Humanities Distribution, Humanities Elective (5)
		5	Humanities Distribution, Humanities Elective (10)
y	Latin Literature & Culture	3	Humanities Distribution (5)
		4	Humanities Distribution (5)
		5	Humanities Distribution (5)
y	Music Theory	3	MUSC& 131 (5)
		4	MUSC& 131, MUSC& 141 (5)
		5	MUSC& 131, MUSC& 141 (5)
n	Music Listening/ Literature	3	MUSC&105 (5)
		4	MUSC&105 (5)
		5	MUSC&105 (5)
y	Physics 1	3	Science Distribution (5)
		4	PHYS& 114, PHYS& 134 (5)
		5	PHYS& 114, PHYS& 134 (5)
y	Physics 2	3	Science Distribution (5)
		4	PHYS& 115, PHYS&135 (5)
		5	PHYS& 115, PHYS&135 (5)
n	Physics B	3	Science Distribution (5)
		4	Science Distribution (5)
		5	Science Distribution (5)
y	Physics C (Mechanics)	3	Science Distribution (5)

Currently available?	AP Test	Score	Credits (minimum awarded per score)
		4	PHYS& 221 (5)
		5	PHYS& 221 (5)
y	Physics C (Elect. & Mag.)	3	Science Distribution (5)
		4	PHYS& 223 (5)
		5	PHYS& 223 (5)
y	Psychology	3	Elective (5)
		4	PSYC& 100 (5)
		5	PSYC& 100 (5)
y	Spanish Language & Culture	3	SPAN& 121 (5)
		4	SPAN& 121, SPAN& 122 (5)
		5	SPAN& 121, SPAN& 122, SPAN& 123 (10)
y	Spanish Literature & Culture	3	SPAN& 121 (5)
		4	SPAN& 121, SPAN& 122 (5)
		5	SPAN& 121, SPAN& 122, SPAN& 123 (10)
y	Statistics	3	MATH& 146 (5)
		4	MATH& 146 (5)
		5	MATH& 146 (5)
y	U.S. History	3	HIST& 136, HIST& 137, HIST& 146, HIST& 147, HIST& 148, HIST& 156, HIST& 157, HIST& 158, HIST& 159 (5)
		4	HIST& 136, HIST& 137, HIST& 146, HIST& 147, HIST & 148, HIST& 156, HIST& 157, HIST& 158, HIST& 159 (5)
		5	HIST& 136, HIST& 137, HIST& 146, HIST& 147, HIST & 148, HIST& 156, HIST& 157, HIST& 158, HIST& 159 (10)
y	World History	3	HIST& 126, HIST& 127, HIST& 128 (5)
		4	HIST& 126, HIST& 127, HIST& 128 (5)
		5	HIST& 126, HIST& 127, HIST& 128 (5)

- Rationales for Awarding Elective Credit for a Score of 3, Current Exams
 - **Art: Studio Art – Drawing:** The new portfolio does not require hand drawing. Because all work samples can be digital, there is not sufficient breadth to award distribution credit.

- **Computer Science A:** The Computer Science A exam is predominantly multiple choice. A score of 3 may be earned by a tester who cannot recognize code, and the equivalent college class requires students to write code.
- **English: Language and Composition:** A score of 3 shows a degree of scholarship with critical thinking but not the degree of academic thinking required of a score of 4 or 5 and of credit for ENGL&101.
- **U.S. Government and Politics:** The level of knowledge and analysis demonstrated with a score of 3 is moderate and does not reflect the level of critical thinking and content knowledge necessary to align with a specific distribution area course.
- **Comparative Government and Politics:** The level of knowledge and analysis demonstrated with a score of 3 is moderate and does not reflect the level of critical thinking and content knowledge necessary to align with a specific distribution area course.
- **Psychology:** Exam questions are largely fact-based, definition learning. A score of 3 does not demonstrate the higher-level thinking and discipline knowledge that would align with outcomes for a specific distribution course in psychology.
- **Latin: ?**
- Rationales for Changing from Elective to Distribution Credit
 - **Art: 2D Design**
 - **Art: 3D Design:** Change from Elective Portfolio assessment is rigorous and justifies humanities distribution credit for a score of 3.
 - **Latin Literature**
 - **Latin Literature and Culture:** Feedback from Latin instructor at WVCC supports humanities distribution credit for a score of 3.
 - **Physics 1**
 - **Physics 2**
 - **Physics B**
 - **Physics C (Mechanics)**
 - **Physics C (Electricity and Magnetism):** Content and rigor of AP lab-based curriculum and exam justify science distribution credit for a score of 3, although not a specific common course number.
- Other Proposed Changes
 - **English: Literature and Composition:** Change from ENGL&101 credit to Humanities Distribution (writing about literature), which aligns with 4-year policies.