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MEMORANDUM

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To: California Articulation Officers, CSU Academic Planners
From: Christine Hanson 
Subject: **Systemwide Credit for External Examinations**

This Coded Memorandum updates and supersedes Coded Memorandum AA-2008-52.

As directed in Executive Order 1036, Section 1.2.4, the CSU faculty have determined the following passing scores, minimum units of credit earned, and certification area (for General Education Breadth and/or U.S. History, Constitution, and American Ideals) for the enclosed list of standardized external examinations.

Note that each campus in the California State University system determines how it will apply external examinations toward credit in the major. For students not already certified in GE and/or American Institutions, the campus also determines how to apply credit from such exams toward the local degree requirements.

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Los Angeles
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San José
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Sonoma
Stanislaus

	<u>Passing Score</u>	<u>Minimum Semester Credits Earned¹</u>	<u>Semester Credits Toward GE Breadth Certification</u>	<u>American Institutions and/or GE Breadth Area²</u>	<u>Removal Date for GE Breadth³</u>
College Board Advanced Placement Tests					
AP Art History	3	6	3	C1 or C2	
AP Biology	3	6	4	B2+B3	
AP Calculus AB ⁴	3	3	3	B4	
AP Calculus BC	3	6	3	B4	
AP Chemistry	3	6	4	B1+B3	
AP Chinese Language and Culture	3	6	3	C2	
AP Comparative Government & Politics	3	3	3	D8	
AP Computer Science A	3	3	0	n/a	
AP Computer Science AB	3	6	0	n/a	
AP English Language	3	6	3	A2	
AP English Literature	3	6	6	A2+C2	
AP Environmental Science ⁵	3	4	4	B2+B3	F09
AP Environmental Science	3	4	4	B1+B3	
AP European History	3	6	3	C2 or D6	
AP French Language	3	6	3	C2	
AP French Literature	3	6	3	C2	F09
AP German Language	3	6	3	C2	
AP Human Geography	3	3	3	D5	
AP Italian Language and Culture	3	6	3	C2	F 10
AP Japanese Language and Culture	3	6	3	C2	
AP Latin Literature	3	6	3	C2	F 09
AP Latin: Vergil	3	3	3	C2	
AP Macroeconomics	3	3	3	D2	
AP Microeconomics	3	3	3	D2	
AP Music Theory	3	6	3	C1	F 09
AP Physics B ⁶	3	6	4	B1+B3	
AP Physics C (electricity/magnetism) ⁶	3	4	4	B1+B3	
AP Physics C (mechanics)	3	4	4	B1+B3	
AP Psychology	3	3	3	D9	
AP Spanish Language	3	6	3	C2	
AP Spanish Literature	3	6	3	C2	
AP Statistics	3	3	3	B4	
AP Studio Art	3	3	0	n/a	
AP U.S. Government & Politics	3	3	3	D8+US-2	
AP U.S. History	3	6	3	(C2 or D6)+US-1	
AP World History	3	6	3	C2 or D6	
College-Level Examination Program (CLEP)					
CLEP Calculus	51	3	0	n/a	
CLEP Chemistry	48	3	0	n/a	
International Baccalaureate (IB)					
IB Biology HL	5	6	3	B2	
IB Chemistry HL	5	6	3	B1	
IB Economics HL	5	6	3	D2	
IB Geography HL	5	6	3	D5	
IB History (any region) HL	5	6	3	C2 or D6	

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IB Language A1 (any language) HL	4	6	3	C2	
IB Language A2 (any language) HL	4	6	3	C2	
IB Language B (any language) HL ⁷	4	6	0	n/a	
IB Mathematics HL	4	6	3	B4	
IB Physics HL	5	6	3	B1	
IB Psychology HL	5	3	3	D9	
IB Theatre HL	4	6	3	C1	

¹ These units count toward eligibility for admission. The units may not all apply toward certification of the corresponding GE-Breadth area. See Executive Orders 1033 and 1036 for details.

² Areas of GE Breadth (A1 through E) are defined in EO 1033. Areas of American Institutions (US-1 through US-3) are set forth in Sections IA and IB of EO 405, and at assist.org.

³ Students seeking certification in GE Breadth prior to transfer must have passed the test before this date.

⁴ If a student passes more than one AP exam in calculus or computer science, only one examination may be applied to the baccalaureate.

⁵ Students who pass AP Environmental Science earn 4 units of credit. Tests taken Fall 2009 or earlier may apply to either B1+B3 or B2+B3 of GE Breadth. After F09, those credits may only apply to B1+B3.

⁶ If a student passes more than one AP exam in physics, only six units of credit may be applied to the baccalaureate, and only four units of credit may be applied to a certification in GE Breadth.

⁷ The IB curriculum offers language at various levels for native and non-native speakers. Language B courses are offered at the intermediate level for non-natives. Language A1 and A2 are advanced courses in literature for native and non-native speakers, respectively.