

Tips for Using AP Exams

If you want to use the AP JUST for GE (and not talking about English):

- Use the [AP Guide in the MCC catalog](#) and look at the IGETC column
- Be careful with AP Envi Science - they say it covers LAB - but it only gives 3 units so you still need to add a 4 unit lab class in Area 5B
- If you are nervous about of a student has 58 or 59 units - for goodness sake do not risk it and add a UC elective to make sure your student has 60+ units
- Do NOT duplicate the units. If you take the AP you cannot also get credit for the class. ex AP Psyc score of 3 or higher, and Psyc 101. Usually the first one is used and the second is an illegal repeat
- If you have any questions, please feel free to ask Jed, Jorge, Kristi, or me

Oh that difficult English AP Lit and Lang:

- CSU - will use a score of 3 with no issues
- UC - this is complicated
 - If the score of 3 is not certified with IGETC/CalGETC, then it could be an issue for some UCs
 - If the student applied to some majors at UCB that do not take IGETC/CalGETC, they may not take a score of 3 and the student will not be admitted
 - And for a score of 4 or 5, UCD will not give the units for our ENGL 201 or 202 so you MUST make sure the student has 64 transfer units
 - (sigh - please feel free to connect with Jed, Kristi, Jorge, or me if you have any questions)
- Private - mmm - private schools are persnickety and most will not take the AP score especially if the score is a 3. The student should review the private school website.

IF you want to use the AP for MAJOR prep:

- CSU
 - Do not assume APs are used the same at each CSU. CSUSM and SDSU do not match. Check each website
- UC
 - Check EACH UC website for specific use and scores needed
 - If the score is too low to use, have the student take the class but remember not to double count the units.
 - Some UC will take the AP and other will not (PLSC for UCLA vs UCSD). Please refer those students to Transfer.
- Private -
 - Most will review for prerequisites, but many top tier privates will not give credit for major courses.