
APASC
Academic Program Articulation Steering Committee

MEMORANDUM

To: Chief Academic Officers, Registrars and Admissions Directors

From: APASC Co-Chairs
Ron Pitt, NAU
Richard Drum, Arizona Western College

Date: November 1, 2004

Re: Standardizing AP and CLEP scores

Cc: ATAC members

During the last two academic years, statewide Articulation Task Forces (ATFs) have been asked to standardize AP and CLEP scores for their disciplines and the credits awarded for those scores. In the 2002-2003 academic year, Biology, Chemistry, History and Mathematics came to a consensus on AP scores and credits awarded. These scores and credits were communicated to your institutions during the summer of 2003 with a request to implement them for students that took AP exams beginning in the Fall of 2003. In the 2003-2004 academic year, English and Physics came to a consensus on AP scores and credits awarded and the Languages faculty adjusted the CLEP scores accepted around the state along with the corresponding credits awarded. These scores should apply for students who take the examinations beginning in the Fall of 2004.

As a committee, APASC asks that you adopt these scores at your institution and reflect these scores and corresponding credits in your catalogs and advising materials for students. By standardizing these scores, students will not lose credit for the examinations in transfer. Attached are tables of scores and credits awarded for all of the disciplines listed above. This year, APASC has asked all ATFs that have an AP or CLEP exam associated with their discipline to come to a consensus on a statewide score and corresponding credit hours awarded. Please contact Gretchen Schmidt, the state articulation facilitator, if you have any questions or concerns. Her email address is gretchen.schmidt@asu.edu and her office telephone is 928-523-9531.

Thank you.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT STANDARDS

Set by the ATFs and Approved by APASC

Implementation Fall 2003 (except English and Physics-approved April 2004, implement for exams taken Fall 2004 or after)

AP Subject	Standard Score	Credit Awarded for Score
Biology	AP Score of 3	4 credits Non-Major Biology (BIO 100 or equivalent)
	AP Score of 4/5	8 credits of Major Biology (BIO 181 & 182 or equivalent)
Chemistry	AP Score of 3	First semester General Chemistry I and Lab (ATF common number 151)
	AP Score of 4/5	General Chemistry II (ATF common number 152 or 154). If an institution has the lab component of their class incorporated into their course, the award for lecture and lab may be made. If the institution has lab as a separate class then when possible, the student's lab experience be evaluated to see if credit should be awarded.
History	AP Score of 4/5	US History I and II
Mathematics		
Calculus AB	AP Score of 3,4 or 5	Calculus I credit
Calculus BC	AP Score of 3 AP Score of 4/5	Calculus I credit Calculus I and II credit
Statistics	AP Score of 3/4/5	Student receives credit for Introductory Statistics course
English Composition	4 or 5	Students receiving a 4 or 5 on the exam will be awarded at least 3 credits and are required to take one more composition course, preferably an Honors course if offered, to fulfill the freshman composition requirement.
Physics	5	Score of 5 will be accepted statewide for both semesters of algebra based introductory physics, including lab. Subject to approval by departments at each institution.

Languages CLEP

<u>Course</u>	<u>Spanish</u>	<u>French</u>	<u>German</u>	<u>Credit</u>
101	50	50	39	4 units
102	55	55	46	8 units
201	66	62	51	12 units
202	68	66	60	16 units