Palomar College 2025/2026 College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) Guide

UC: The University of California does not accept CLEP credit. Cal-GETC: CLEP cannot be used on Cal-GETC.

NOTE: Palomar College external exam policy for local associate degree and general education aligns with that of the CSU external exam policy. Please reference the CSU external exam policy for exam effective dates.

CSU External Exam Policy

		Palomar College			CSU System			
CLEP Exam	Min Score	Palomar Equivalent	Palomar Units	Palomar GE Units		CSU Admission Units	CSU GE Units	CSU GE Area/AHI
American Government	50	NE	3	3	4	3	3	4
American Literature	50	ENG 225 or 226	3	3	3	3	3	3B
Analyzing and Interpreting Literature	50	ENG 205	3	3	3	3	3	3B
Biology	50	BIOL 101	3	3	5	3	3	5B
Calculus	50	MATH 140	3	3	2	3	3	2
Chemistry	50	CHEM 110	3	3	5	3	3	5A
College Algebra - Trigonometry	50	NE	3	3	2	3	3	2
College Algebra	50	MATH 110	3	3	2	3	3	2
Financial Accounting	50	ACCT 201	3	0	N/A	3	0	N/A
French Language Level I*	50	NE	6	0	N/A	6	0	N/A
French Language Level II*	59	NE	9	3	3	9	3	3B
German Language Level I*	50	NE	6	0	N/A	6	0	N/A
German Language Level II*	60	NE	9	3	3	9	3	3B
History of the United States I	50	HIST 101	3	3	4+US-1	3	3	4+US-1

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History of the United States II	50	HIST 102	3	3	4+US-1	3	3	4+US-1
Human Growth and Development	50	NE	3	3	4	3	3	N/A
Humanities	50	HUM 100 or 101	3	3	3	3	3	3B
Information Systems & Computer Applications	50	CSIT 125	3	0	N/A	3	0	N/A
Introduction to Educational Psychology	50	NE	3	0	N/A	3	0	N/A
Introductory Business Law	50	NE	3	0	N/A	3	0	N/A
Introductory Psychology	50	PSYC C1000	3	3	4	3	3	4
Introductory Sociology	50	SOC 100	3	3	4	3	3	4
Natural Sciences	50	NE	3	3	5	3	3	5A or 5B
Precalculus	50	MATH 135	3	3	2	3	3	2
Principles of Macroeconomics	50	ECON 101	3	3	4	3	3	4
Principles of Management	50	BMGT 101	3	0	N/A	3	0	N/A
Principles of Marketing	50	BUS 155	3	0	N/A	3	0	N/A
Principles of Microeconomics	50	ECON 102	3	3	4	3	3	4
Social Sciences and History	50	NE	3	3	4	0	0	N/A
Spanish Language Level I*	50	NE	6	0	N/A	6	0	N/A
Spanish Language Level II*	63	NE	9	3	3	9	3	3B
Spanish with Writing I	50	NE	6	0	N/A	6	0	N/A
Spanish with Writing II	63	NE	9	3	3	9	3	3B
Western Civilization I	50	HIST 105	3	3	3 or 4	3	3	3B or 4

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Western Civilization II	50	HIST 106	3	3	4	3	3	4

N/A = Not Applicable

NE = No Equivalent

¹If a student passes more than one CLEP test in the same language other than English (e.g., two exams in French), then only one examination may be applied to the baccalaureate. For each test in a language other than English, a passing score of 50 is considered "Level I" and earns six units of baccalaureate credit; the higher score listed for each test is considered "Level II" and earns additional units of credit and placement in Area 3B of GE Breadth, as noted.