

International Baccalaureate Credit 2025-26

Quick Guide on How IB Units Apply to Eighth College GE's

Only Higher Level Exams are accepted for credit by the University of California; Standard Level Exams are not given credit. Score of 6 or 7 on Standard Level English A exam meets UC Entry Level Writing requirement but no unit credit is granted. The University of California grants 8 quarter units of credit for all International Baccalaureate Higher Level exams on which a student scores 5 or higher and 6 quarter units of credit for the IB Diploma where a student earns a score of 30 or more. For IB exams not listed here, consult an academic adviser. Students should be advised that college courses taken before or after attending UC may duplicate IB examinations. Additionally, exams may duplicate each other (for example, AP and IB exams in the same subject area). If a student does duplicate an exam with another exam of the same subject content, and/or an exam with a college course, credit will be awarded only once.

Courses noted as "elective credit only" in column 3, means that you will get the units for the exam score (as listed in column 1) and you meet any exemption listed in column 2 (if applicable), but the units do not fulfill a specific Eighth College GE requirement.

EXAM AND UNITS FOR UNIVERSITY CREDIT	SCORE	UC SAN DIEGO COURSE EXEMPTIONS	EIGHTH COLLEGE
Anthropology (8)	5, 6, 7	Exempts ANTH 1	Meets Social Sciences requirement
Biology (8)	5	Exempts BILD 10	Meets Natural Science requirement
	6, 7	Exempts BILD 1, 2, 3	
Business & Management (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Elective credit only
Chemistry (8)	5	Exempts CHEM 6A	Meets Natural science requirement
	6	Exempts CHEM 6A and 6C	
	7	Exempts CHEM 6A, 6B, 6C	
Computer Science (8)	5	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets Quantitative Methods and Engineering requirement
	6, 7	Exempts CSE 3	
Dance (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 satisfies 1 course towards Arts requirement
Economics (8)	5, 6	Elective credit only	Meets social sciences requirement
	7	Exempts ECON 1 and 3	
English A (8)	5, 6, 7	Meets Entry Level Writing requirement	Elective credit and meets Entry Level Writing requirement
Film (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 satisfies 1 course towards Arts requirement
Geography (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Elective credit only
Global Politics (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Elective credit only
History of Africa (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Meets Humanities requirement
History of the Americas (8)	5, 6, 7	Exempts 2 quarters US history May take HILD 2A, 2B, or 2C	Score of 5, 6, or 7 satisfies 1 course towards Humanities requirement.
History of Asia & Oceania (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Meets Humanities requirement
Twentieth-Century World History (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Elective credit only
History of Europe & the Middle East (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Meets Humanities requirement
History of Europe & the Islamic World (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Meets Humanities requirement
Language B (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Elective credit only

Latin (8)	5, 6, 7	Exempts LTLA 1, 2, 3	Score of 5, 6, or 7 satisfies 1 course towards Humanities requirement
Linguistics (Language A Exams) (8)	5	Exempts LING 1C/1CX	Score of 5 satisfies 1 course toward Humanities requirement
	6, 7	Exempts LING 1D/1DX	Score of 6 or 7 meets Humanities requirement
Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (AA) (8)	5, 6, 7	Exempts MATH 20A and MATH 10B	Meets Quantitative Reasoning & Engineering requirement
Music (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 satisfies 1 course towards Arts requirement
Philosophy (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Elective credit only
Physics (8)	5	Exempts PHYS 10 or 11	Meets Natural Sciences requirement
	6	Exempts PHYS 1A and 1B	
	7	Exempts PHYS 2A and 2B	
Psychology (8)	5, 6, 7	Exempts PSYC 1	Elective credit only
Theatre Arts (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 satisfies 1 course towards Arts requirement
Visual Arts (8)	5, 6, 7	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 satisfies 1 course towards Arts requirement