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The regulations published in the Undergraduate Catalog are a digest of the rules of the institution. Changes may be made in the regulations at any time to promote the best interests of the university and its students. Students are responsible for knowing the published regulations, policies, and standards of the university and of their college or school.

Credit by Examination

A student may be granted college-level credit for the following types of learning, examinations, or experiences:

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The total number of hours one may earn through credit by examination is no more than half of the total hours required for the degree program. The grade of Z is granted for these credits. The credits will be posted to a student's academic record upon enrollment.

Advanced Placement (AP)

Students who participate in the College Entrance Examination Board Advanced Placement Program offered through their high school, and who earn appropriate scores on the AP examination, will receive the following academic credit:

Examination	Score	UM Course	Hours
Art History	3-5	AH 101	3
Biology	3-5	Bisc 102, 103	4
Chemistry	4-5	Chem 105	3 (no lab credit)
Chinese Language and Culture	3	Chin 102	3
	4-5	Chin 201, 202	6
Computer Science A	3	Csci 103	3
	4-5	Csci 111	3
Computer Science AB	4-5	Csci 112	3
Economics: Macro	4-5	Econ 203	3
Economics: Micro	4-5	Econ 202	3
English Lit/Comp or Lang/Comp	3-4	Writ 101	3
	5	Writ 101, 102	6
Environmental Science	3-5	100-level Bisc	3
European History	4-5	His 101	3
French Language and Culture	3	Fr 102	3
	4-5	Fr 211	6
German Language and Culture	3	Germ 102	3
	4-5	Germ 211	6
Government and Politics: Comparative	3-5	Pol 102	3
Government and Politics: United States	3-5	Pol 101	3
Human Geography	4-5	100-level Geog	3
Italian Language and Culture	3	Ital 102	3
	4-5	Ital 201, 202	6
Japanese Language and Culture	3	Japn 102	3
	4-5	Japn 201, 202	6
Latin	3	Lat 299	3
	4-5	Lat 299	6
Mathematics: Statistics	4-5	Math 115	3



Examination	Score	UM Course	Hours
Mathematics: Calculus AB	4-5	Math 261	3
Mathematics: Calculus BC	4-5	Math 261, 262	6
Mathematics: AB Subscore	4-5	Math 261	3
Music Theory	3-5	Mus 102	3
Physics 1	4-5	Phys 213	3
Physics 2	5	Phys 214	3
Physics C: Mechanics	4-5	Phys 211	3
Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism	4-5	Phys 212	3
Psychology	4-5	Psy 201	3
Spanish Language	3	Span 102	3
	4-5	Span 211	6
Spanish Literature	4-5	Span 331	3
Studio Art: 2-D Design	4-5	Art 101	3
Studio Art: 3-D Design	4-5	Art 103	3
Studio Art: Drawing	4-5	Art 111	3
U.S. History	4-5	His 105	3
World History	4-5	100-level His	3

Cambridge International

Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) offers many subjects at both the Advanced Subsidiary (AS) level and the Advanced (A) level, with credit given at UM as indicated in the table below.

Cambridge International Exam	Level	Student Score	UM Credit	Hours
Art & Design	A	C or higher	see department	variable
Art & Design	AS	C or higher	see department	variable
Biology	A	C or better	Bisc 102, 103, 104, 105	8
Biology	AS	C or better	Bisc 1XX	4
Chemistry	A	B or higher	Chem 105, 115	4
Chemistry	AS	B or higher	Chem 101	4
Chinese	A	C or higher	Chin 111	5
Chinese Language	AS	no credit	no credit	0
Classical Studies	A	E or higher	Clc 101, Clc 102	6
Classical Studies	AS	E or higher	Clc 1XX	3
Economics	A	C or better	Econ 202, 203	6
Economics	AS	C or better	Econ 101	3
French	A	C or higher	Fr 111	6
French Literature	AS	no credit	no credit	0
French Language	AS	no credit	no credit	0
Further Mathematics*	A	E or higher	Math 261, 262, 319	9
Geography	A	C or higher	Geog 101	3
Geography	AS	no credit	no credit	0
German	A	C or higher	Germ 111	6
German Language	AS	no credit	no credit	0
Mathematics**	A	E or higher	Math 261, 262	6
Mathematics	AS	E or higher	Math 125	3
Music	A	C or higher	Mus 102, 103	6
Music	AS	C or higher	Mus 103	3
Portuguese	A	C or higher	Port 111	6
Portuguese Language	AS	C or higher	Port 101	3
Portuguese Literature	AS	no credit	no credit	0
Psychology	A	C or higher	see department	3



Cambridge International Exam	Level	Student Score	UM Credit	Hours
Psychology	AS	no credit	no credit	0
Sociology	A	C or higher	Soc 101	3
Sociology	AS	no credit	no credit	0
Spanish	A	C or higher	Span 111	6
Spanish Language	AS	C or higher	Span 101	3
Spanish Literature	AS	no credit	no credit	0
Spanish-First Language	AS	C or higher	Span 101	3
Thinking Skills	A	E or higher	Phil 101, PHII 103	6
Thinking Skills	AS	E or higher	Phil 101	3

*If the optional statistics portion of the course is completed, then student should contact the Department of Mathematics. In no case will a student earn more than 9 hours of credit for Further Mathematics Exam.

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College Level Examination Program (CLEP)

Receiving CLEP credit in a specific degree program requires the approval of the dean and department chair concerned prior to taking the examination.

CLEP SUBJECT EXAMINATIONS. Students who earn appropriate scores on selected CLEP examinations will receive the following academic credit:

Examination	Minimum Score	UM Course	Credit Hours
American Government	50	Pol 101	3
Biology	50	Bisc 102	3
Chemistry	50	Chem 105, 106*	6
Calculus	50	Math 261	3
CLEP Precalculus	50	Math 125	3
College Algebra	50	Math 121	3
College Composition	50	Writ 101	3
French Language	50	Fr 101, 102	6
French Language	62	Fr 101, 102, 201, 202	12
German Language	50	Germ 101, 102	6
German Language	63	Germ 101, 102, 201, 202	12
Human Growth and Development	50	Psy 301	3
Introductory Business Law	50	Bus 250	3
Introductory Psychology	50	Psy 201	3
Introductory Sociology	50	Soc 101	3
Principles of Accounting	50	Accy 201, 202	6
Principles of Macroeconomics	52	Econ 203	3
Principles of Microeconomics	53	Econ 202	3
Spanish Language	50	Span 101, 102	6
Spanish Language	63	Span 101, 102, 201, 202	12
U.S. History I: Early Colonization to 1877	50	His 105	3
U.S. History II: 1865 to the Present	50	His 106	3
Western Civilization I: Ancient Near East to 1648	50	His 101	3
Western Civilization II: 1648 to the Present	50	His 102	3

* Credit is granted in chemistry only if the student also submits a passing score on the American Chemical Society Test administered by the university's Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry. No credit is granted for chemistry lab courses.

International Baccalaureate (IB) Credit

The University of Mississippi accepts credit by examination from the International Baccalaureate program as indicated in the following table:

IB Course	IB Score	UM Credit
Biology	SL: 5,6,7; HL: 4, 5	Bisc 102, 103, Bisc 104, 105 (8 hours)
Biology	HL: 6, 7	Bisc 160, 161, 162, 163 (8 hours)
Business Management	SL & HL: 4,5,6,7	100 Level Business (3 hours)
Chemistry	HL: 4	Chem 101 (4 hours)



IB Course	IB Score	UM Credit
Chemistry	HL: 5, 6	Chem 105, 115, 106 (7 hours)
Chemistry	HL: 7	Chem 105, 115, 106, 116 (8 hours)
Classical Languages	SL & HL: 4,5,6,7	Lat 201, 202 or Gr 201, 202 (6 hours)
Computer Science	SL & HL: 4,5,6,7	Csci 103 (3 hours) + 100 Level Computer Science (1 hour)
Dance	HL: 4,5,6,7	Danc 1XX (2 hours)
Economics	HL: 4,5,6,7	Econ 202 and 203 (6 hours)
Economics	SL: 5,6,7	Econ 101 (3 hours)
Environmental Systems and Societies (SL)	SL: 4,5,6,7	Bisc 104 (3 hours)
Film	HL: 5,6,7	Cine 1XX (3 hours)
Geography	SL & HL: 4,5,6,7	Geog 101 (3 hours)
Global Politics	HL: 5,6,7	Pol 1XX (3 hours)
History	HL: 4	His 1XX (3 hours)
History	HL: 5,6,7	His 1XX (6 hours)
Language A	HL: 4,5,6,7	Eng 22X (3 hours)
Language ab initio	SL & HL: 5,6,7	Contact Department of Modern Languages
Language B	SL: 5,6,7	Arab or Kor 112 (5 hours); Fr or Russ 111 (6 hours); Chin, Germ, Ital, Japn, Port, or Span 101 and 102 (6 hours)
Language B	HL: 4	Arab 112 or Kor 112 (5 hours); Fr or Russ 111 (6 hours); Chin, Germ, Ital, Japn, Port, or Span 101 and 102 (6 hours)
Language B	HL: 5,6,7	Arab 112, 212 (10 hours); Kor 112, 212 (10 hours); Fr or Russ 111 or 211 (12 hours); Chin, Germ, Ital, Japn, Port, Span 101, 102, 201, 202 (12 hours)
Mathematics	SL: 4,5,6,7	Math 267 (3 hours)
Mathematics	HL: 4	Math 267 (3 hours)
Mathematics	HL: 5,6,7	Math 267, 268 (6 hours)
Further Mathematics (HL)	HL: 4,5,6,7	Math 261 (3 hours)
Mathematical Studies (SL)	SL: 4	Math 115 (3 hours)
Mathematical Studies (SL)	SL: 5,6,7	Math 115 (3 hours)
Music	SL & HL: 4,5,6,7	Contact Department of Music.
Philosophy	SL: 6, 7; HL: 4,5,6,7	Phil 101 (3 hours)
Physics	SL: 7; HL 4	Phys 213, 223 (4 hours)
Physics	HL: 5,6,7	Phys 213 + 223 + 214 + 224 (8 hours)
Psychology	HL 4,5,6,7	Psy 201 (3 hours)
Social and Cultural Anthropology	SL & HL: 4,5,6,7	Anth 101 (3 hours)
Theatre	SL: 5,6,7; HL: 4,5,6,7	Thea 201 (3 hours)
Visual Arts	SL: 5,6,7; HL: 4,5,6,7	Art 101, Art 111 (6 hours)
World Religions (SL)	SL: 6,7	Rel 101 (3 hours)

As students present transcripts for other International Baccalaureate courses taken at the Higher Level (HL), then the appropriate department will review the course/exam and decide the appropriate University of Mississippi credit.

Advanced Standing Examination

An advanced standing examination is one taken by a student who has had the equivalent of the course under competent instruction but cannot secure credit by transcript. An Application for Special Examination Form, provided by the registrar, must be approved by the instructor giving the examination and the student's academic dean. A fee is assessed for an advanced standing examination.

No more than 6 semester hours may be credited through advanced standing examinations. Credit by examination will not be given on work completed in high school (except for the Advanced Placement Program), or on work in excess of 65 semester hours transferred from a junior college. If a student enters a more advanced course in the subject, the advanced standing examination should precede registration for the course, and in no case may the examination be given for credit later than three weeks after entering the more advanced course.

Credit for Educational Experiences in the Armed Forces

Credit toward a degree may be granted to those students who submit to the Office of Admissions a certified copy of either [D.D. Form 295](#) or [D.D. Form 214](#), which indicates an honorable discharge and a period of continuous active duty for at least 90 days. Four semester hours in one of the university ROTC programs, or as physical education or elective credit, will be granted for basic training or its equivalent. Upon successful completion of 18 months with the Army National Guard/Active Army Reserve, an additional 6 hours will be awarded in the Army ROTC program. An additional 12 semester hours of credit in one of the ROTC programs may be granted to students who earned a commission while in service. Additional credit for training in formal service schools will



be granted on the basis of recommendations published in [Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Services](#) or the recommendations of the Commission on Accreditation of Service Experiences to the extent that the recommended credit can be evaluated as equivalent to a specific university course. The maximum credit allowed from these sources is 40 semester hours.

Credit also may be granted for correspondence courses completed through a United States Armed Forces Institute program up to the maximum of 33 semester hours for credit from all correspondence courses. Credit is not granted for correspondence courses administered by the armed services.

