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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. 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 courses, which count as transfer credit. The credits will be posted to a student's academic record upon enrollment.

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Advanced Placement (AP)

Students who participate in the College Entrance Examination Board Advanced Placement Program and 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
Chinese Language and Culture	4-5	Chin 201,202	6
Computer Science A	3	Csci 103	3
Computer Science A	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
English Lit/Comp or Lang/Comp	5	Writ 101, 102	6
Environmental Science	3-5	Bisc 1XX	3
European History	4-5	Hst 120	3
French Language and Culture	3	Fr 111	6
French Language and Culture	4-5	Fr 211	6
German Language and Culture	3	Germ 111	6
German Language and Culture	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	Geog 1XX	3
Italian Language and Culture	3	Ital 102	3



Examination	Score	UM Course	Hours
Italian Language and Culture	4-5	Ital 201, 202	6
Japanese Language and Culture	3	Japn 102	3
Japanese Language and Culture	4-5	Japn 201, 202	6
Latin	3	Lat 299	3
Latin	4-5	Lat 299	6
Mathematics: Statistics	4-5	Math 115	3
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 111	6
Spanish Language	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	Hst 130	3
World History	4-5	Hst 1XX	3

Cambridge International

Students who participate in the Cambridge Assessment International Education program and earn appropriate scores on the exam will receive the following academic credit:

Examination	Minimum Score	UM Course	Hours
Arabic A level	C or higher	Arab 111	5
Arabic Language AS level	no credit	no credit	0
Art & Design A level	C or higher	contact Dept. of Art & Art History	variable
Art & Design AS level	C or higher	contact Dept. of Art & Art History	variable
Biology A level	C or higher	Bisc 102, 103, 104, 105	8
Biology AS level	C or higher	Bisc 1XX	4 (lab)
Chemistry A level	B or higher	Chem 105, 115	4
Chemistry AS level	B or higher	Chem 101	4
Chinese A level	C or higher	Chin 111	5
Chinese Language AS level	no credit	no credit	0
Classical Studies A level	E or higher	Clc 101, 102	6
Classical Studies AS level	E or higher	Clc 1XX	3
Economics A level	C or higher	Econ 202, 203	6
Economics AS level	C or higher	Econ 101	3
English Language A level	C or higher	Writ 101, 102	6
English Language AS level	C or higher	Writ 101	3
English Language & Literature AS level	C or higher	Writ 101	3
English Literature Level A	C or higher	Eng 1XX	3
English Literature Level AS	No credit	No credit	0



Examination	Minimum Score	UM Course	Hours
French A level	C or higher	Fr 111	6
French Literature AS level	no credit	no credit	0
French Language AS level	no credit	no credit	0
Further Mathematics A level*	E or higher	Math 261, 262, 319	9
Geography A level	C or higher	Geog 101	3
Geography AS level	no credit	no credit	0
German A level	C or higher	Germ 111	6
German Language AS level	no credit	no credit	0
Global Perspectives & Research A level	C or higher	Inst 1XX	3
Global Perspectives & Research AS level	no credit	no credit	0
Hinduism A level	C or higher	Rel 1XX	3
Hinduism AS level	C or higher	Rel 1XX	3
History A level	C or higher	Hst 1XX	3
History AS level	no credit	no credit	0
Islamic Studies A level	C or higher	Rel 3XX	3
Islamic Studies AS level	C or higher	Rel 3XX	3
Japanese Language AS level	no credit	no credit	0
Marine Science Level A	C or higher	Bisc 1XX	4 (lab)
Marine Science Level AS	C or higher	Bisc 1XX	4 (lab)
Mathematics A level **	E or higher	Math 261, 262	6
Mathematics AS level	E or higher	Math 125	3
Music A level	C or higher	Mus 102, 103	6
Music AS level	C or higher	Mus 103	3
Portuguese A level	C or higher	Port 111	6
Portuguese Language AS level	C or higher	Port 101	3
Portuguese Literature AS level	no credit	no credit	0
Psychology A level	C or higher	Contact Dept. of Psychology	3
Psychology AS level	no credit	no credit	0
Sociology A level	C or higher	Soc 101	3
Sociology AS level	no credit	no credit	0
Spanish A level	C or higher	Span 111	6
Spanish Language AS level	C or higher	Span 101	3
Spanish Literature AS level	no credit	no credit	0
Spanish-First Language AS level	C or higher	Span 101	3
Thinking Skills A level	E or higher	Phil 101, 103	6
Thinking Skills AS level	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. 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
Calculus	50	Math 261	3



Examination	Minimum Score	UM Course	Credit Hours
Chemistry	50	Chem 105, 106*	6
CLEP Precalculus	50	Math 125	3
College Algebra	50	Math 121	3
College Composition	50	Writ 101	3
French Language	50	Fr 111	6
French Language	63	Fr 111, 211	12
German Language	50	Germ 111	6
German Language	63	Germ 111, 211	12
Human Growth and Development	50	Psy 301	3
Humanities	50	Liba 202	3
Introductory Business Law	50	Bus 250	3
Introductory Psychology	50	Psy 201	3
Introductory Sociology	50	Soc 101	3
Natural Sciences	50	Liba 205	3
Principles of Accounting	50	Accy 201, 202	6
Principles of Macroeconomics	52	Econ 203	3
Principles of Microeconomics	53	Econ 202	3
Social Sciences and History	50	Liba 201	3
Spanish Language	50	Span 111	6
Spanish Language	63	Span 111, 211	12
U.S. History I: Early Colonization to 1877	50	Hst 130	3
U.S. History II: 1865 to the Present	50	Hst 131	3
Western Civilization I: Ancient Near East to 1648	50	Hst 120	3
Western Civilization II: 1648 to the Present	50	Hst 121	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

Students who participate in the International Baccalaureate program and earn appropriate scores on the exam will receive the following academic credit:

Examination	Score	UM Course	Hours
Biology SL	5-7	Bisc 102, 103, 104, 105	8
Biology HL	4-5	Bisc 102, 103, 104, 105	8
Biology HL	6-7	Bisc 160, 161, 162, 163	8
Business Management SL	4-7	Bus 1XX	3
Business Management HL	4-7	Bus 1XX	3
Chemistry HL	4	Chem 101	4
Chemistry HL	5-6	Chem 105, 115, Chem 1XX	7
Chemistry HL	7	Chem 105, 115, 106, 116	8
Classical Languages SL	4-7	Lat 201, 202 or Gr 201, 202	6
Classical Languages HL	4-7	Lat 201, 202 or Gr 201, 202	6
Computer Science SL	4-7	Csci 103, Csci 1XX	3 + 1
Computer Science HL	4-7	Csci 103, Csci 1XX	3 + 1
Dance HL	4-7	Danc 1XX	2
Economics HL	4-7	Econ 202, 203	6
Economics SL	5-7	Econ 101	3



Examination	Score	UM Course	Hours
Environmental Systems and Societies SL	4-7	Bisc 104	3
Film HL	5-7	Cine 1XX	3
Geography SL	4-7	Geog 101	3
Geography HL	4-7	Geog 101	3
Global Politics HL	5-7	Pol 1XX	3
History HL	4	Hst 1XX	3
History HL	5-7	Hst 1XX	6
Language A HL	4-7	Contact Dept. of Modern Languages	max of 12
Language ab initio SL	5-7	Contact Dept. of Mod. Languages	max of 12
Language ab initio HL	5-7	Contact Dept. of Mod. Languages	max of 12
Language B SL	5-7	Arab or Kor 112	5
Language B SL	5-7	Germ, Fr, Russ, Span 111; Chin, Ital, Japn, Port 101, 102	6
Language B HL	4	Arab or Kor 112	5
Language B HL	4	Germ, Fr, Russ, Span 111; Chin, Ital, Japn, Port 101, 102	6
Language B HL	5-7	Arab 112, 212; Kor 112, 212	10
Language B HL	5-7	Germ, Fr, Russ, Span 111, 211; Chin, Ital, Japn, Port 101, 102, 201, 202	12
Mathematics SL	4-7	Math 267	3
Mathematics HL	4	Math 267	3
Mathematics HL	5-7	Math 267, 268	6
Further Mathematics HL	4-7	Math 261	3
Mathematical Studies SL	4	Math 115	3
Mathematical Studies SL	5-7	Math 115	3
Music SL	4-7	Contact Dept. of Music	variable
Music HL	4-7	Contact Dept. of Music	variable
Philosophy SL	6-7	Phil 101	3
Philosophy HL	4-7	Phil 101	3
Physics SL	7	Phys 213, 223	4
Physics HL	4	Phys 213, 223	4
Physics HL	5-7	Phys 213, 223, 214, 224	8
Psychology HL	4-7	Psy 201	3
Social and Cultural Anthropology SL	4-7	Anth 101	3
Social and Cultural Anthropology HL	4-7	Anth 101	3
Theatre SL	5-7	Thea 201	3
Theatre HL	4-7	Thea 201	3
Visual Arts SL	5-7	Art 101, 111	6
Visual Arts HL	4-7	Art 101, 111	6
World Religions SL	6-7	Rel 101	3

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 taken by a student who has had the equivalent of a UM course content. A student enrolled in the advanced course who is approved to take an examination for credit should be given the examination prior to the beginning of the semester or no later than the last day to add classes as published in the academic calendar during the term in which the student enrolls. Students who previously completed the same course at UM are not eligible for this credit. Students may attempt an advanced standing examination in a given course only one time and there is no appeal process.

An Application for Advanced Standing Examination form, provided by the registrar, must be approved by the instructor and department chair of the course, the dean of the course, and the student's academic dean (if different). A fee is assessed for an advanced standing examination.



Placement Examination

Some departments may provide an examination for student placement in a more advanced course. In these instances, the student would not receive credit through the placement examination. Students need approval from the departmental chairperson who will arrange the examination.

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 A 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.

