

International Baccalaureate (IB)

2026-2027

Passing scores are required to grant credit for Cal-GETC certification. An acceptable IB score for Cal-GETC equates to either 3 semester or 4 quarter units for certification purposes. Students who have earned credit from an IB exam should not take a comparable college course because credit will not be granted for both.

	International Baccalaureate (IB)	Passing Score	CalGETC Area	CalGETC Max Units	***CSU Units Earned Toward Transfer	Gavilan College GE Area
	IB Biology HL	5	5B	3	6	5B
	IB Chemistry HL	5	5A	3	6	5A
	IB Economics HL	5	4	3	6	4
	IB Geography HL	5	4	3	6	4
	IB Global Politics HL	5	n/a	n/a	3	4
	IB History (any region) HL	5	3B or 4	3	6	3B or 4
*	IB Language A Literature HL (any language, except English)	4	3B	3	6	3B
*	IB Language A Language & Literature (any language, except English)	4	3B	3	6	3B
Δ	IB Mathematics HL: Analysis and Approaches	4	2	3	6	2
	IB Philosophy HL	5	n/a	n/a	6	3B
	IB Physics HL	5	5A	3	6	5A
	IB Psychology HL	5	4	3	3	4
	IB Social and Cultural Anthropology HL	5	n/a	n/a	6	4
	IB Theatre HL	4	3A	3	6	3A
	IB World Religions HL	5	n/a	n/a	6	3B

Notes:

- For current IB awarding practices please review the following websites:
 - UC IB Awarding: <https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/ap-exam-credits/ib-credits.html>
 - CSU IB Awarding: <https://www.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Pages/international-baccalaureate-ib.aspx>
- Please consult with a counselor as changes may occur.

Legend:

* IB exam may be used in either area regardless of where the certifying CCC's discipline is located.

*** Max units can count toward admission eligibility - GE limitations.

Δ No credit is awarded for the Mathematics Applications and Interpretations exam offered 2021 and later.

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