

What Your CLEP Score Means

In order to reach the total score you see on your score report, two calculations are performed.

1. Your “raw score” is the number of questions you answered correctly. Your raw score increases by 1 point for each question answered correctly.

2. Your raw score is then converted into a “scaled score” that ranges from 20, the lowest, to 80, the highest. This scaled score is the score that appears on your score report.

The scores that appear in the table shown are the credit-granting scores recommended by the American Council on Education (ACE). **Each college can set its own credit-granting policy, which may differ from the ACE policy.** If you haven't already done so, contact your college as soon as possible to find out the score it requires to grant credit, the number of credit hours granted, and the course(s) that can be bypassed with a satisfactory score.

Note that College-Level Examination Program® (CLEP®) exams are developed and evaluated independently and aren't linked to one another except by the program's common purpose, format, and method of reporting results. For this reason, direct comparisons shouldn't be made between CLEP exams in different subjects. CLEP scores aren't comparable to SAT® scores or other test scores.

Scores are kept on file for 20 years. During this period, score reports may be sent to an institution, but only at the request of the candidate. Students can order official transcripts through the CLEP My Account portal (cleportal.collegeboard.org) and pay a fee. CLEP Transcript Requests are nonrefundable. Once ordered, a request can't be canceled, changed, or rerouted. To order official transcripts for DANTES-funded exams, military personnel must order a military transcript online using the Parchment Transcript Ordering Service (exchange.parchment.com/send/adds/index.php?main_page=login&s_id=3q7ey35yiWKgVEiC).

Test takers may not repeat an exam with the same title within the specified wait period of the initial testing date.

If a test taker retakes the exam within the specified wait period, the administration will be considered invalid, the score will be canceled, and any test fees will be forfeited.

For military service members: DANTES does not fund retesting on a previously funded CLEP exam. However, service members may personally fund a retest after the specified wait period.

If you have questions about your score report, a test question, or any other aspect of a CLEP exam that your test center can't answer, write to CLEP, P.O. Box 6600, Princeton, NJ 08541-6600 or email clep@info.collegeboard.org.

CLEP® Credit-Granting Recommendations (Effective June 2019)

	ACE Recommended Score [*]	Semester Hours [*]
Business		
Financial Accounting	50	3
Information Systems	50	3
Introductory Business Law	50	3
Principles of Management	50	3
Principles of Marketing	50	3
Composition and Literature		
American Literature	50	3
Analyzing and Interpreting Literature	50	3
College Composition	50	6
College Composition Modular	50	3
English Literature	50	3
Humanities	50	3
World Languages**		
French Language, Level 1 Proficiency	50	6
Level 2 Proficiency	59	9
German Language, Level 1 Proficiency	50	6
Level 2 Proficiency	60	9
Spanish Language, Level 1 Proficiency	50	6
Level 2 Proficiency	63	9
Spanish with Writing, Level 1 Proficiency	50	6
Level 2 Proficiency	65	12
History and Social Sciences		
American Government	50	3
History of the United States I: Early Colonization to 1877	50	3
History of the United States II: 1865 to the Present	50	3
Human Growth and Development	50	3
Introduction to Educational Psychology	50	3
Introductory Psychology	50	3
Introductory Sociology	50	3
Principles of Macroeconomics	50	3
Principles of Microeconomics	50	3
Social Sciences and History	50	6
Western Civilization I: Ancient Near East to 1648	50	3
Western Civilization II: 1648 to the Present	50	3
Science and Mathematics		
Biology	50	6
Calculus	50	4
Chemistry	50	6
College Algebra	50	3
College Mathematics	50	6
Natural Sciences	50	6
Precalculus	50	3

** For the CLEP World Language exams, material taught in first- and second-year language courses is incorporated into a single exam, covering both Level 1 and Level 2 content. The amount of credit awarded is dependent on the test score; ACE recommends different credit-granting scores and amounts of credits at Level 1 and Level 2.

* The American Council on Education's College Credit Recommendation Service (ACE CREDIT®) has evaluated CLEP processes and procedures for developing, administering, and scoring the exams. The scores listed above are equivalent to a grade of C in the corresponding course. The American Council on Education, the major coordinating body for all the nation's higher education institutions, seeks to provide leadership and a unifying voice on key higher education issues and to influence public policy through advocacy, research, and program initiatives. For more information, visit the ACE CREDIT website at [acenet.edu/acecredit](https://www.acenet.edu/acecredit).