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Anthropology—8	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = exempts ANTH 1.	Meets social science requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 1 course in a culture, society, and social justice theme in social sciences.	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward anthropology or perspectives of social science PofC or 1 course toward anthropology or perspectives of social science area study	Elective credit only	Score of 5 or above = 1 course toward social analysis.	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets social sciences requirement
Biology—8 *Same subject area as AP Biology	Score of 5 = exempts BILD 10. Score of 6 or 7 = exempts BILD 1, 2, 3.	Score of 5 = meets biology requirement and 1 course of natural science. Score of 6 or 7 = meets biology requirement and 2 courses of natural science.	Score of 5 = 1 course in a biological sciences theme in natural sciences. Score of 6 or 7 = 3 courses in a biological sciences theme in natural sciences.	Meets biology/ natural science requirement and 1 lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	Score of 5 = 2 courses toward fundamentals of biology, or science and technology PofC. Score of 6 or 7 = 2 courses toward biology, fundamentals of biology, or science and technology PofC.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets 2 course requirement in natural science	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward analytic methodologies/ scientific method.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets natural sciences and engineering requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets natural sciences requirement
Business and Management—8	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = elective credit only.	Elective credit only	Elective credit only. Does not fulfill any general education requirements.	Elective credit only	Elective credit only	Elective credit only	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets quantitative reasoning requirement.	Elective credit only
Chemistry—8 *Same subject area as AP Chemistry	Score of 5 = exempts CHEM 6A. Score of 6 = exempts CHEM 6A and 6C. Score of 7 = exempts 6A, 6B, 6C.	Score of 5 or 6 = meets chemistry requirement and 1 course of natural science. Score of 7 = meets chemistry requirement and 2 courses of natural science.	Score of 5 = 1 course in a physical sciences theme in natural sciences. Score of 6 = 2 courses in a physical sciences theme in natural sciences. Score of 7 = 3 courses in a physical sciences theme in natural sciences.	Meets chemistry/ natural science requirement and 1 lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	Score of 5 = 2 courses toward science and technology or 1 course toward chemistry PofC. Score of 6 or 7 = 2 courses toward science and technology or chemistry PofC.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets 2 course requirement in natural science	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward analytic methodologies/ scientific method.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets natural sciences and engineering requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets natural sciences requirement

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Computer Science —8 *same subject area as AP Computer Science	Score of 6 or 7 = CSE 3.	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 1 course in a computing and logic theme in natural sciences.	Meets 1 lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major	2 courses toward formal skills and/or toward science and technology PofC	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets 2 course requirement in quantitative/ formal skills	Score of 5 or above = 1 course toward information technology fluency.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets quantitative reasoning requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets quantitative methods and engineering requirement
Dance —8	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = elective credit only.	Meets fine arts requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a theatre and dance theme in fine arts.	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward humanities or theatre and dance PofC or 1 course toward humanities or theatre and dance area study	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets fine arts requirement	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward art making.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets arts requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets 1 course toward arts requirement
Economics —8 *Same subject area as AP Microeconomics and AP Macroeconomics	Score of 7 = exempts ECON 1 and 3.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets social science requirement	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a government and economics theme in social sciences.	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	Score of 5 or 6 = 2 courses toward perspectives of social science PofC or 1 course toward perspectives of social science area study. Score of 7 = 2 courses toward economics or perspectives of social science PofC or 1 course toward economics or perspectives of social science area study	Elective credit only	Score of 5 or above = 1 course toward social analysis.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets social sciences requirement	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets social sciences requirement
English — 8 (English A) *Same subject area as AP English	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets Entry Level Writing requirement.	Elective credit only (fulfills UC Entry Level Writing requirement)	Fulfills UC Entry Level Writing requirement. Does not fulfill any general education requirements.	Elective credit only (fulfills UC Entry Level Writing requirement)	Elective credit only (fulfills UC Entry Level Writing requirement)	Elective credit only (fulfills UC Entry Level Writing requirement)	Elective credit only (fulfills UC Entry Level Writing requirement)	Elective credit only (fulfills UC Entry Level Writing requirement)	Elective credit only (fulfills UC Entry Level Writing requirement)
Film —8	Score of 5, 6, 7 = elective credit only. For Cinematic Arts majors, applies to lower division electives.	Meets fine arts requirement.	Score 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a visual arts theme in fine arts.	Meets fine arts requirement and 1 lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward humanities or visual arts PofC or 1 course toward humanities or visual arts area study	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets fine arts requirement	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward art making.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets arts requirement	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets 1 course toward arts requirement
Geography —8 *Same subject area as AP Human Geography	Score of 5, 6, 7 = elective credit only.	Elective credit only	Does not fulfill any general education requirements.	Elective credit only	Elective credit only	Elective credit only	Elective credit only	Elective credit only	Elective credit only

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Global Politics —8 *Same subject area as AP Comparative Politics	Score of 5, 6, 7 = elective credit only.	Meets social science requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a government and economics theme in social sciences.	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	Elective credit only	Elective credit only	Score of 5 or above = 1 course toward social analysis.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets social sciences requirement	Elective credit only
History of Africa —8	Score of 5, 6, 7 = elective credit only.	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a historical narratives theme in humanities. Cannot combine different IB history exams to clear a full year of humanities – will still need one class.	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward history or humanities PofC or 1 course toward history or humanities area study	1 course for lower division. Regional Specialization: Africa.	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward narrative, aesthetic, and historical reasoning.	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets humanities requirement
History of the Americas —8 *Partially equivalent to AP US History; 4 units awarded when both are taken	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = exempts 2 quarters US history. May take HILD 2A, 2B, or 2C to complete sequence. Satisfies American History and Institutions	Meets social science requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a historical narratives theme in humanities. Cannot combine different IB history exams to clear a full year of humanities – will still need one class.	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward history or humanities PofC or 1 course toward history or humanities area study	Elective credit only	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward narrative, aesthetic, and historical reasoning.	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets 1 course toward humanities requirement
History of Asia and Oceania —8	Score of 5, 6, 7 = elective credit only.	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a historical narratives theme in humanities. Cannot combine different IB history exams to clear a full year of humanities – will still need one class.	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward history or humanities PofC or 1 course toward history or humanities area study	1 course for lower division. Regional Specialization: Asia.	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward narrative, aesthetic, and historical reasoning.	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets humanities requirement
Twentieth-Century World History —8 *Same subject area as AP World History	Score of 5, 6, 7 = elective credit only.	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a historical narratives theme in humanities. Cannot combine different IB history exams to clear a full year of humanities – will still need one class.	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward history or humanities PofC or 1 course toward history or humanities area study	Elective credit only	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward narrative, aesthetic, and historical reasoning.	Elective credit only	Elective credit only

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History of Europe and the Middle East —8 *Same subject area as AP European History	Score of 5, 6, 7 = elective credit only.	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a historical narratives theme in humanities. Cannot combine different IB history exams to clear a full year of humanities—will still need one class.	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward history or humanities PofC or 1 course toward history or humanities area study	Elective credit only	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward narrative, aesthetic, and historical reasoning.	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets humanities requirement
History of Europe and the Islamic World —8 *Same subject area as AP European History	Score of 5, 6, 7 = elective credit only.	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a historical narratives theme in humanities. Cannot combine different IB history exams to clear a full year of humanities – will still need one class.	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward history or humanities PofC or 1 course toward history or humanities area study	Elective credit only	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward narrative, aesthetic, and historical reasoning.	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets humanities requirement
Language B —8 *AP language exams are more advanced than Language B; no credit for Language B when same language is taken in AP	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 8 quarter units of elective credit.	Elective credit only	Does not fulfill any general education requirements.	Elective credit only	Elective credit only	Elective credit only	Elective credit only	Elective credit only	Elective credit only
Latin —8 *Same subject area as AP Latin	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = exempts LTLA 1, 2, 3.	Usually prepares student to take LTLA 100 to meet proficiency requirement. 8 units of elective credit.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 3 courses in a language other than English	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward literature or humanities PofC or 1 course toward literature or humanities area study	Usually prepares student to take LTLA 100 to meet proficiency requirement. 8 units of elective credit.	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward narrative, aesthetic, and historical reasoning.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets humanities requirement	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets 1 course toward humanities requirement
Linguistics —8 Language A Exams *Same subject area as AP foreign language/ literature exams	Score of 5 = exempts LING 1C/1CX. Score of 6 or 7 = exempts LING 1D/1DX.	Score of 5 = 8 units of elective credit. Take fourth quarter course to meet proficiency requirement. Score of 6 or 7 = meets language proficiency requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a language other than English. Must complete one more language course at a level higher than their equivalent course credit.	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	Certain scores in French, German, Italian, Spanish, Chinese, and/ or Japanese may count toward certain Programs of Concentration or Area Studies. Please see https://warren.ucsd.edu/academics/general-education/ap-ib-credit.html .	Score of 5 = 8 units of elective credit. Take fourth quarter course to meet proficiency requirement. Score of 6 or 7 = meets language proficiency requirement.	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward narrative, aesthetic, and historical reasoning.	Score of 5 satisfies 1 course toward humanities requirement. Score of 6 or 7 meets humanities requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets 1 course toward arts requirement

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Mathematics: Applications and Interpretations	Not eligible for credit	No credit	Does not fulfill any General Education requirements.	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches—8 <small>*Same subject area as AP Calculus</small>	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = Exempts Math 20A and MATH 10B	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = Exempts Math 20A and 10B. Satisfies two courses for math requirement	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a math and statistics theme in math or natural sciences.	Meets 2-course math/advanced statistics requirement	5, 6, or 7 = completes formal skills requirement and/or 2 courses toward math PofC	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets 2-course requirement in quantitative/ formal skills	Score of 5 or above = 1 course toward structured reasoning and 4 units of elective credit	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets quantitative reasoning requirement	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets quantitative methods and engineering requirement
Music—8 <small>*Same subject area as AP Music Theory</small>	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = elective credit only.	Meets fine arts requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7, counts as 2 courses in a music theme in fine arts.	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward music or humanities PofC or 1 course toward music or humanities area study	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets fine arts requirement	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward art making.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets arts requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets 1 course toward arts requirement
Philosophy—8	Score of 5, 6, 7 = elective credit only.	Elective credit only	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a philosophical perspectives theme in humanities.	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward humanities or philosophy PofC or 1 course toward humanities or philosophy area study	Elective credit only	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward narrative, aesthetic, and historical reasoning.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets humanities requirement.	Elective credit only
Physics—8 <small>*Same subject area as AP Physics</small>	Score of 5 = exempts Phys 10 or 11. Score of 6 = exempts Phys 1A and 1B. Score of 7 = exempts Phys 2A and 2B.	Meets physics requirement and 1 course of natural science requirement.	Score of 5 = 1 course in a physical sciences theme in natural sciences. Score of 6 or 7 = 2 courses in a physical sciences theme in natural sciences.	Meets physics/ natural science requirement and 1 lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	Score of 5 or 6 = 2 courses toward science and technology PofC. Score of 7 = 2 courses toward physics or science and technology PofC.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets 2 course requirement in natural science	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward analytic methodologies/ scientific method.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets natural science and engineering requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets natural science requirement
Psychology—8 <small>*Same subject area as AP Psychology</small>	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = exempts Psychology 1.	Meets social science requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a mind and society theme in social sciences.	Meets lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward perspective of social science or psychology PofC or 1 course toward psychology or perspectives of social science area study.	Elective credit only	Score of 5 or above = 1 course toward social analysis.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets social sciences requirement	Elective credit only
Theatre Arts—8	Score of 5, 6, 7 = elective credit only.	Meets fine arts requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a theatre and dance theme in fine arts.	Meets fine arts requirement and 1 lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward humanities or theatre and dance PofC or 1 course toward humanities or theatre and dance area study.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets fine arts requirement	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward narrative, aesthetic, and historical reasoning.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets arts requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets 1 course toward arts requirement

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Visual Arts—8 *Same subject area as AP Studio Art	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = elective credit only.	Meets fine arts requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 = 2 courses in a “Visual Arts” theme in fine arts.	Meets fine arts requirement and 1 lower-division disciplinary breadth if noncontiguous to major.	2 courses toward humanities or visual arts PofC or 1 course toward humanities or visual arts area study	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets fine arts requirement	Score of 5 or above = 2 courses toward narrative, aesthetic, and historical reasoning.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets arts requirement.	Score of 5, 6, or 7 meets 1 course toward arts requirement