Advanced Placement (AP)

All Advanced Placement courses and tests are administered by high schools and should be completed successfully before entering USC Upstate. An entering student who has passed 30 hours of AP credit may be granted sophomore standing upon enrollment.

In order to receive credit for courses, students must have an original AP score report sent directly to the USC Upstate Records Office.

The Advanced Placement courses accepted by USC Upstate are:

- Art History: Three credits for Art History 101 with a minimum score of 3.
- Studio Art: Drawing: Three credits for Studio Art 110 with a minimum score of 3.
- Studio Art: 2-D Design: Three credits for Studio Art 103 with a minimum score of 3.
- Studio Art: 3-D Design: Three credits for Studio Art 104 with a minimum score of 3.
- Biology: Eight credits for Biology 101 and 102, including laboratory credit, with a minimum score of 3.
- Calculus AB: Four credits for Mathematics 141 with a score of at least 3.
- Calculus BC: Eight credits for Mathematics 141 and 142 with a score of at least 3.
- Chemistry: Four credits for Chemistry 111 with a score of 3; eight credits for Chemistry 111 and 112 with a score of 4 or 5.
- Chinese Language & Culture or Japanese Language & Culture: Four hours of university credit with a score of 3. Eight hours of university credit with a score of 4 or 5.
- Government & Politics: Comparative: Three credits for Government and International Studies 320 with a minimum score of 3.
- Computer Science A: Three credits in Computer Science with a minimum score of 3.
- English Language and Composition and English Literature and Composition: See chart at end of listing.
- Environmental Science: Four credits (3 hours of SBO 270, Environmental Science, and 1 hour of SBO 270L, Environmental Science Lab) with a score of 3 or better.
- European History: Three credits selected for History 111 with a score of 3.
- French, German, Italian and Spanish: Six credits for 101 and 102 level courses with a score of 3 or 4. Nine credits for 101, 102 and 201 with a score of 5.
- Human Geography: Three hours of lower-level geography credit with a minimum score of 3.
- Latin-Vergil: Four hours of university credit with a minimum score of 3. Seven hours of university credit with a score of 4 or 5.
- Macroeconomics: Three credits for Economics 221 with a minimum score of 3.
- Microeconomics: Three credits for Economics 222 with a minimum score of 3.
- Music Theory: Three hours of university credit with a minimum score of 3.
- Physics B: Four credits for Physics 201 with a score of 3; eight credits for Physics 201 and 202 with a score of 4 or 5.
- Physics C: Mechanical: Four credits for Physics 211 with a minimum score of 3.
- Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism: Four credits for Physics 212 with a minimum score of 3.
- Psychology: Three credits for Psychology 101 with a minimum score of 3.
- Spanish Literature: Six credits for Spanish 101 and 102 with a score of 3. Twelve credits for Spanish 102, 201, 202, and 301 with a score of 4 or 5.
- Statistics: Three credits for Economics 291, Mathematics 102 or Sociology 201 with a minimum score of 3.
- United States History: Three credits for History 105 with a score of 3 or 4; six credits (three for History 105 and three for History 106) with a score of 5.
- World History: Three credits for History 102 with a score of 3 or 4; six credits (three for History 101 and three for History 102 with a score of 5).

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International Baccalaureate (IB)

The University of South Carolina Upstate recognizes the academic rigor of the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program. Students may be awarded college credit for completion of higher-level IB examinations, as determined by the appropriate academic schools or divisions. All International Baccalaureate (IB) courses and examinations are administered by high schools and should be completed successfully before entering USC Upstate.

In order to receive credit for higher-level IB examination scores, students must ask that official IB examination results be sent directly to the USC Upstate Records Office. Minimum scores for awarding credit for IB examinations are determined by academic units responsible for course content.

College Level Examination Program (CLEP)

Credit for subjects in which students are knowledgeable, but have no class standing, can be gained through successful completion of the CLEP tests. Credit earned in CLEP may be applied to any program where the course normally would be accepted as earned credit. CLEP credit is not granted for courses that have
been failed previously, nor does CLEP credit raise a grade earned previously in any course. Repeat examinations are not allowed. USC Upstate does not give credit for the CLEP general examination.

The CLEP examinations accepted by USC Upstate are:

American Government: Three credits for Government and International Studies 101 with a satisfactory essay and minimum score of 50 on the objective section.
American Literature: Three credits for English 279 or 280 with satisfactory completion of the essay section and a minimum score of 46 on the objective section.
Analyzing and Interpreting Literature: Three credits for English 102 with a satisfactory essay and a minimum score of 49. Credit is given after completion of English 101 with a C or higher. If CLEP examinations for both Composition and Literature are successfully completed, six hours of credit for English 101 and 102 are awarded upon passing any 300 or higher level English with a grade of C or better.
Biology: Eight credits for Biology 101 and 102, including laboratory credit with a minimum score of 50.
Introductory Business Law: Three credits for Business Administration 347 with a minimum score of 51.
Calculus: Four credits for Mathematics 141 with a minimum score of 47.
Chemistry: Four credits for Chemistry 111 with a minimum score of 50.
College Algebra: Three credits for Mathematics 126 with a minimum score of 45.
Financial Accounting: Three credits for Business Administration 225 with a minimum score of 47; 6 credits for Business Administration 225 and 226 with a minimum score of 55.
Freshman College Composition: Three credits for English 101 with a satisfactory essay and a minimum score of 48 on the objective section. Credit is awarded after completion of English 102 with a grade of C or better.
Principles of Management: Three credits for Business Administration 371 with a minimum score of 47.
Principles of Marketing: Three credits for Business Administration 350 with a minimum score of 50.
Introductory Sociology: Three credits for Sociology 101 with a minimum score of 50.
Principles of Macroeconomics: Three credits for Economics 221 with successful completion of the essay section and a minimum score of 48 on the objective section.
Principles of Microeconomics: Three credits for Economics 222 with successful completion of the essay section and a minimum score of 47 on the objective section.
Introductory Psychology: Three credits for Psychology 101 with a minimum score of 50.

American College Testing Proficiency Examination Program (ACT/PEP)
Credit for subjects in which students are knowledgeable, but have no college credit, can be gained through successful completion of the PEP tests. USC Upstate students may earn up to 30 semester hours via PEP. Those attempting PEP must rank in the 70th percentile of the scored population taking the examinations. Students wishing to take a PEP test should notify their faculty advisor of their intention to take the test.

The specific ACT/PEP exams are currently under review. Students may contact the Records Office or their dean for a current list of acceptable tests.

Defense Activity for Nontraditional Education Support (DANTES)
Credit for subjects in which students are knowledgeable, but have no class standing, can be gained through successful completion of the DANTES tests. The DANTES Program is a testing service conducted by Thompson Prometric for DANTES, an agency of the Department of Defense.
Credit earned in DANTES may be applied to any program where the course normally would be accepted as earned credit. DANTES credit is not granted for courses that have been failed previously, nor does DANTES credit raise a grade earned previously in any course. Repeat examinations are not allowed. Students wishing to take DANTES tests should contact counseling services for the necessary applications and notify their faculty advisor of their intention to take the test.
The DANTES examination accepted by USC Upstate is:
Lifespan Developmental Psychology: Three credits for Psychology 302 with a minimum scaled score of 46.

Institutional Credit by Examination
Students enrolled in the University may obtain credit by examination for courses in which they have had no class attendance or semester standing. However, permission must be obtained from the dean of the college or school involved. A grade of not less than B on the examination is necessary to receive credit for the course. Examinations are not permitted in courses in which students previously have enrolled either regularly or as an auditor. Before the examination, applicants must pay the Cashier's Office a fee of $25 per semester hour. This fee is non-refundable. The Cashier's Office issues a receipt which must be shown to the dean of the college or school conducting the examination. The dean immediately reports the results of the examination to the Records Office. Credits earned under this regulation are recorded only as hours earned.

Military Service School Credit
Following enrollment, a student may obtain credit for experiences in the armed services. In order to receive credit the student must have an American Counsel in Education Registry Transcript. Students who feel they qualify should contact the Records Office, Veteran's Affairs Coordinator.
Following a review by the Records Office using A Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Services, a recommendation for credit is made to the dean of the student's major area. The final decision as to the credit awarded is made by the dean of the school in which the student is enrolled.