

Accelerated Programs and Advanced Placement Options

Accelerated Program Options

Students may accelerate their Alma degree program to finish in less than four years through a combination of concentrated academic scheduling, advanced credits gained while in high school and transferred credits from other college work.

Advanced Placement (AP)

Students may earn college credit for work done in high school if they have participated in the College Entrance Examination Board Advanced Placement Program. The official results of examinations must be sent to the Registrar's Office for credit to be granted. The Advanced Placement courses and qualifying scores for the examinations are listed on the following table.

College Level Examination Program (CLEP)

Alma College does not accept credit from the College Level Examination Program (CLEP).

International Baccalaureate (IB)

Alma College awards 32 credits to students who earn the International Baccalaureate diploma. Alternatively, the College awards credit for individual exams taken at the Higher Level (HL) with earned scores of "5" or above. Alma College course credit earned by achievement on the IB HL exam with a score of 5 or higher will satisfy distributive requirements for graduation.

Advanced Placement Courses and Qualifying Scores

AP Course Name	Scores	Alma College Course Equivalent Credits Awarded*
Art History	4 (3 w/dept. approval)	ART 112 (4)
Studio Art: 2D Design	4	ART 180 (4)
Studio Art: 3D Design	4	ART 180 (4)
Studio Art: 3D Drawing	4	ART 180 (4)
AP Research	4	HUM 108 (4)
Art (Studio)	4	ART 180 (4)
Biology	4	BIO 180 (4)
Chemistry	4	CHM 115 (4)
Comparative Government and Politics	4	POL 111 (4)
Computer Science A	5 (4 w/dept. approval)	CSC 120 (4)
Computer Science Principles	4	CSC 180 (4)
Economics: Macro	4	ECN 111 (4)
Economics: Micro	4	ECN 112 (4)
English Language and Comp	3	ENG 100 (4)
English Literature and Comp	3	ENG 180 (4)
Environmental Science	4	ENV 180 (4)
European History	4	HST 180 (4)
French Language and Culture	4	FRN 221 (4)
French Literature and Culture	4	FRN 222 (4)
German Language and Culture	4	GRM 221 (4)
German Literature and Culture	4	GRM 222 (4)
Human Geography	4	GGR 102 (4)
Math: Calculus AB	4	MTH 121 (4)
Math Calculus: BC	3	MTH 121–122 (8)
Music: Listening and Literature	4 (3 w/dept. approval)	MUS 180 (4)
Music Theory	4 (w/dept. approval)	MUS 111–112 (4-8)
Physics 1	4	PHY 112 (4)
Physics 2	4	PHY 113 (4)
Physics C: Mechanics	4	PHY 121 (4)
Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism	4	PHY 122 (4)
Psychology	4	PSY 120 (4)
Spanish Language and Culture	4	SPN 221 (4)
Spanish Literature and Culture	4	SPN 222 (4)
Statistics	4	MTH 116 (4)
U.S. Government and Politics	4	POL 101 (4)
U.S. History	4	HST 180 (4)
World History	4	HST 180 (4)

* All AP credit must have department approval to count in the major or minor.