

Advanced Standing and Transfer Credit

Work satisfactorily completed at a regionally accredited collegiate institution is accepted for transfer provided it is academic in nature and is generally applicable toward a liberal arts program of study. In general, professional or vocationally oriented courses are not accepted for transfer.

A record of all academic work undertaken in other collegiate institutions, including a record of correspondence and distance learning work and registration in summer sessions, must be presented to the Registrar by every student who has undertaken such work. Students who fail to provide such transcripts may be guilty of unethical conduct and may be subject to disciplinary action including suspension or dismissal from the college.

No credit will be granted for coursework, including extension and online courses, taken in another collegiate institution while the student is enrolled at Whitman College or in a Whitman College Off-Campus Study program unless permission to register for such courses is obtained in advance by the student from his or her advisor and from the Registrar. Nothing in this rule makes mandatory the granting of any credit by Whitman College.

Whitman College grants no academic credit for work experience or internships *per se*. See the *Academic Credit for Internships* section.

A total of 70 credits of advanced standing transferred from other regionally accredited collegiate institutions is the maximum non-Whitman work creditable toward a bachelor's degree. This includes credit allowed on the basis of scores earned on the Advanced Placement Test of the College Board, higher-level courses for the International Baccalaureate, GCE (Cambridge International) A-Level Exams, Running Start courses, or certain military service. Credit earned exclusively from two-year colleges is limited to 62 semester credits applicable toward a bachelor's degree.

Each quarter system credit is worth two-thirds of a semester credit. Whitman does not transfer partial credit (anything less than 1 whole semester credit) and does not round up. The sole exception occurs when multiple courses from the same college are transferable to Whitman. In these cases, the fractional credits are combined if the sum is at least one or more semester credits. These are then applied toward general degree credit requirements.

No transfer credit is applied toward a Whitman degree unless it is of average (C- or 1.7 on a numerical grade scale) or better quality. Credit may be awarded for transfer work graded as Pass/Fail, but only if the original institution's minimum "pass" grade is equivalent to a C- or better. However, Off-Campus Studies courses (courses taken outside the United States and on U.S.-based Partner Programs) must be taken for a letter grade or its numeric equivalent. Transfer credit will not be awarded for Off-Campus Studies courses graded as Pass/Fail.

Grades awarded by other institutions are not made a part of the student's Whitman record, except for grades awarded through Off-Campus Studies Partner Programs, which appear on the Whitman transcript, but are not calculated into the grade point average.

Students who have participated in one or more Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate courses, or GCE (Cambridge International) A-Level Exams must arrange to have their scores or transcripts sent directly to Whitman College by the institution awarding credit. These courses may be applied toward the 124-credit degree requirement and certain majors and minors, but may not be used to satisfy Distribution Requirements.

The amount of credit allowed from various extramural sources is restricted as follows:

Credit Earned Through Exams

The college's policy for **College Board Advanced Placement (AP) exams** is to award credit for each subject test as indicated on the following AP chart. (Please see AP chart below for individual exam score requirements and Whitman equivalent and credit). AP credit does not cover chemistry laboratory courses. Students must have completed and passed Chemistry 135, or an equivalent college chemistry course, in order to enroll in Chemistry 136

The college's policy for **International Baccalaureate (IB) exams is to award** credit for each **higher level** examination as indicated on the following IB chart. (Please see IB chart below for individual course exam score requirements and Whitman equivalent and credit).

Credit may be awarded for select **General Certificate of Education (GCE-Cambridge International) Advanced Level examinations**, with a grade of A*, A or B pending review of each exam syllabus. Students interested in pursuing such credit should contact the Registrar's Office.

Credit awarded from AP, IB, or GCE (Cambridge International) A-Level exams may be applied toward the 124-credit degree requirement, but may not be used to satisfy Distribution Requirements. A maximum of one year's credit (30 semester hours) may be accepted as general degree credit. AP, IB, or GCE (Cambridge International) A-Level exams credit will not be granted if the equivalent course is completed at Whitman College.

Whitman College does not accept or award credits for the **College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) general or subject examinations or DANTES Subject Standardized Test (DSST)**. Such credits awarded by other institutions will not be accepted for transfer. The college also does not accept transfer credit awarded on the basis of placement or challenge examinations at other institutions.

Advanced Placement Test (AP)	AP Score	Whitman Equivalent	Whitman Credits
2-D Art and Design	4, 5	Elective	3
3-D Art and Design	4, 5	Elective	3
Drawing	4, 5	Elective	3
Art History	4, 5	Elective	3
Biology	5	Biology 111	4
Chemistry	4, 5	Chemistry 125	3
Chinese Language and Culture	5	Elective	4
Computer Science A	4, 5	Computer Science 167	4
Economics: Macro	5	Economics 102	4
Economics: Micro	5	Economics 101	4
English Language and Composition	5	RWPD 170	4
English Literature and Composition	5	Elective	4
Environmental Science	4	Elective	3
Environmental Science	5	Elective	4
French Language and Culture	4	French 150	4
French Language and Culture	5	French 150 & 200	8
German Language and Culture	4, 5	German 205	4
Government & Politics: United States	4, 5	Elective	4
Government & Politics: Comparative	4, 5	Elective	4
History: United States	5	History 105 & 106	8
History: European	5	History 183	4
History: World Modern	5	Elective	4
Italian Language and Culture	4, 5	Elective	4
Japanese Language and Culture	4, 5	Elective	4
Latin	4, 5	Latin 106	4
Mathematics: Calculus AB, or subscore of Calculus BC	4, 5	Mathematics 125	3
Mathematics: Calculus BC	4, 5	Mathematics 125 & 126	6
Mathematics: Statistics	4, 5	Mathematics 128	3

Music Theory	5	Music 101	3
Physics C: Mechanics	5	Physics 155	4
Psychology	4, 5	Psychology 110	3
Spanish Language and Culture	5	Hispanic Studies 205 & 206	8
Spanish Literature and Culture	4, 5	Elective	4

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International Baccalaureate (IB)	IB higher level score	Whitman Equivalent	Whitman Credits
Biology	5 or higher	Elective	8
Chemistry	5 or higher	Chemistry 125	3
Chinese A: literature	5 or higher	Elective	8
Economics	6 or higher	Economics 101 & 102	8
English A: language and literature	5 or higher	RWPD 170, 4 credits elective	8
English A: literature	5 or higher	Elective	4
Film	5 or higher	Elective	8
French B	5 or higher	French 150 & 200	8
German B	5 or higher	German 205 & 206	8
Global Politics	5 or higher	Elective	4
Hindi B	5 or higher	Elective	4
History of Africa and Middle East	5 or higher	Elective	4
History of the Americas	5 or higher	History 105 & 106	8
History of Asia and Oceania	5 or higher	Elective	4
History of Europe	5 or higher	History 183	4
Music	5 or higher	Elective	8
Philosophy	5 or higher	Elective	4
Psychology	5 or higher	Psychology 110	3
Spanish A: language and literature	5 or higher	Hispanic Studies 205 & 206	8
Spanish B	5 or higher	Hispanic Studies 205 & 206	8
Theatre	5 or higher	Elective	8
Visual Arts	5 or higher	Elective	4

Running Start Courses

Whitman will review credit earned through the Running Start Program and similar dual enrollment programs on a course-by-course basis. Coursework is eligible for credit only if the class(es) are taught on the college campus by college faculty, and no more than one-third of the participants consists of high school students. Credits awarded will

be for classes at a commensurate level and in subject matter relevant to the Whitman College liberal arts curriculum. See the *Financial Aid, Running Start and Similar Programs* section for more information.

College Courses Offered in the High School

Whitman does not award credit for coursework completed in a high school classroom and appearing on a transcript from a college or university.

Two-Year Colleges

A maximum of 62 semester hours of credit may be transferred from accredited two-year colleges. Whitman will accept credit on a course-by-course basis from the Associate of Arts or Sciences degree programs.

Continuing Education and Online Courses

Not more than 10 credits of extension and/or online work may be credited toward a bachelor's degree, and such work must be completed in institutions that are regionally accredited, or for extension courses hold membership in the University Professional & Continuing Education Association.

Off-Campus Studies Credit

No more than 38 semester credits (19 for one semester) from study abroad programs, including the Partner Programs of the college, may be applied toward degree requirements. Application of credit toward major requirements is subject to the general college limitation and to any specific departmental policy with respect to off-campus programs and transfer credit. Students who wish to receive Whitman credit for any study abroad course must receive prior approval from Off-Campus Studies at Whitman by submitting the *Whitman Off-Campus Studies Application* by the appropriate deadline. Credit earned during the regular school year on an off-campus program that is not a Partner Program of the college will not be accepted for transfer toward the Whitman degree.

Non-partner Summer study programs, however, may be approved by the Off-Campus Studies Committee for transfer but only if prior approval has been granted by the Off-Campus Studies Committee. To request summer study abroad transfer credit approval, students must submit the *Summer Study Abroad Transfer Credit Application* to Off-Campus Studies at least three weeks prior to their program's application deadline.

Military Service

American Council on Education (ACE) credits will be evaluated on a case by case basis according to Whitman's standard transfer credit policy, provided that satisfactory military training and discharge credentials (DD214) are submitted. The work involved must be appropriate to a liberal arts degree program. If credit for basic military training has been granted to satisfy high school requirements, it may not be counted as college credit.

Combined Programs

For students who are admitted to the combined study plan programs in engineering, forestry and environmental management, law, foreign language, oceanography, and international studies, the transfer credit provisions of the college are modified to fit the patterns of the combined plans. When the student completes residence in the combined plan school, Whitman College allows the transfer credit that is necessary in the pattern of the combined plans to meet the degree requirements of 124 credits.