2020-2022
Proficiency Testing
Information Handbook
Includes AP and CLEP Policies and Credit for Prior Learning

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CLEP testing is available at Prairie State College from September 1 to June 1 by appointment only.

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I. General Information

Credit for College Courses through Proficiency Testing

Proficiency exams are designed for students who have substantial knowledge (without college credit) in a given area. Prairie State College (PSC) recognizes that individuals engage in learning activities outside the formal classroom setting. Individuals may receive college credit for these learning experiences by successfully completing a proficiency test and thereby demonstrating the depth of the knowledge they have acquired.

Proficiency credit is available for many courses offered at Prairie State College. This booklet lists each of the courses, by academic discipline, for which credit may be gained by successfully completing an examination. The testing method used for each of the courses is also listed.

Eligibility to Test

Individuals wishing to attempt a proficiency test must have a current "Application for Admission" on file in the Office of Enrollment Services at Prairie State College. However, individuals are **not** required to be currently enrolled in courses at the college.

Students must be enrolled at PSC and meet all admissions requirements for the program in which course credit for prior learning is being sought.
- Fifteen credit hours towards a degree must be completed at the college prior to awarding credit for prior learning to degree-seeking students.
- Twenty-five percent of the required credits for a certificate must be completed at PSC prior to awarding credit for prior learning to certificate-seeking students.

Registering For a Proficiency Test

Individuals who wish to register for a proficiency test must complete the following steps:

1. Obtain an application for Proficiency Credit Form, available from the Student Success Center, room 2635.

2. (A separate application form must be submitted for each test attempted).

3. Complete Part #1 of the proficiency application form.

4. Submit the proficiency application form and the $25.00* testing fee to the Cashier in the Office of Business Services (Room 1110). Fees may be paid by cash, check (made payable to Prairie State College), MasterCard or Visa. The application will be stamped "Paid" by the Cashier. (Fees are the same for in-district and out- of-district students).

   *Students are only charged for the cost of prior l earning assessment services and not the amount of credit awarded. Testing fee not required for students submitting AP and CLEP scores.

5. Return the proficiency application form to the Student Success Center, room 2635 for processing.

Scheduling a Testing Date

After processing, the applications of individuals who are taking department exams, interviews, or auditions will be forwarded to the instructor who will serve as the test administrator. The test administrator will contact the applicant to arrange a mutually convenient day and time to administer the test.

Awarding of Credit/Residency Requirement

Applicants who successfully complete a proficiency test will be awarded college credit for the corresponding college course. All proficiency credit awarded by PSC will be entered on the student's academic record. However, no letter grades will be assigned, and these hours will not be counted in the student's grade point average.

The credit may be used to fulfill graduation requirements for degrees and certificates at Prairie State College if it is appropriate to the program. However, the credit will **not be counted as hours "in residence"** credit toward degrees and certificates at Prairie State College. In addition, **credit by exam cannot be used to replace a previous grade earned in a course taken at Prairie State College.**

Recording of Credit

Proficiency credit will be recorded by the Office of Enrollment Services on the applicant's official Prairie State College transcript. The course number, credit hours, and the code letter "R" will appear on the transcript. The letter "R" indicates "proficiency test/credit only." All work assessed for prior learning must meet or exceed a grade level of "C". Minimum cut scores on standardized tests are set at a "C" grade level.

Transfer of Proficiency Credit

Most institutions treat proficiency credit in the same manner as regular course credit. Therefore, if the course itself is transferable, proficiency credit in the course is generally transferable. However, each institution has its own transfer policies. It is always best to check directly with the receiving institution to determine how proficiency credit will be evaluated. Some schools may require official copies of CLEP, AP, or other test score results and will reevaluate proficiency credit based upon their own institutional cut-off scores, which may be different than those used at Prairie State College.

If pursuing a transfer degree (AA, AS, or AGS), credit for prior learning will only be granted for the purpose of satisfying graduation requirements.

Repeat Testing

Repeat testing is not permitted. An individual may attempt a proficiency test for each course only once.

Repeat Course Policy

At Prairie State College, credit by exam cannot be used to replace a previous grade earned in a course.

Update of Proficiency Policy

The policies listed in this booklet are effective through July 31, 2022 and will be updated on an annual basis. The courses listed in this brochure are the only courses that offer a proficiency option during this period. Each fall, the policies will be reviewed and programs/disciplines may add or delete courses from the proficiency test list.

For Further Information

For further information about Proficiency Testing, contact Lisa Hansen, Manager, Student Success Center and Testing, (708) 709-3507, email: ahansen@prairiestate.edu.

<center>**II.   Methods of Testing**</center>

Several different methods of proficiency testing are used at Prairie State College to assess an individual's competence and knowledge of subject matter. Each department decides which test method is most appropriate for the courses in their discipline. The methods of assessment used at Prairie State College include:

ACT Test (American College Testing Program)
For proficiency tests that require ACT scores, an official ACT Score Report must be submitted along with the Application for Proficiency Testing. To obtain scores/reports: **www.act.org**. Want to review before taking the ACT test? The Library at Prairie State College has review books for the ACT (American College Testing Program) that will help you review before taking the test.

ACA Certification (Adobe Certified Associate Program)
The Adobe Certified Associate (ACA) certification demonstrates proficiency in Adobe digital communications tools. The Web Authoring Using Adobe Dreamweaver exam validates entry-level skills in web design corresponding to Dreamweaver software.

AP Test (Advanced Placement Program)
Prairie State College accepts credit from the Advanced Placement Program administered by the College Entrance Examination Board. An official Advanced Placement score report from Educational Testing Services must be submitted along with the application for proficiency credit. To obtain score reports: **www.collegeboard.com/ap/students.**

CIW (Certified Internet Web Program)
CIW is the most recognized vendor neutral Web technology education program in the world. Built for the Web industry by the Web industry, CIW courses and certifications are designed using leading technological standards, rather than any one specific software or hardware vendor. For more information: **http://www.ciwcertified.com**

CLEP TEST (College Level Examination Program)
For proficiency tests that require CLEP scores, an official CLEP Score Report must be submitted. If the scores are high enough to obtain "proficiency," an Application for Proficiency Testing must be completed. For further information about the CLEP program, contact the Coordinator of Testing, Room 2505, (708) 709-3558. To obtain score reports: www.collegeboard.com/clep. CLEP testing is available at Prairie State College from September 1 - June 1 by appointment only.

CompTIA Certification (Computing Technology Industry Association)
CompTIA is the leading provider of technology-neutral and vendor-neutral IT certifications. Its goal is to provide a unified voice, global advocacy and leadership, and to advance industry growth through standards, professional competence, education, and business solutions. For more information: **http://www.comptia.org**

Department Examinations
Department examinations are tests that were developed by individual instructors at Prairie State College. They are very similar to the final exams many instructors give in their classes. To register for a department examination, follow the procedures listed in the front of this booklet for registering for a proficiency test. Information about these tests or suggestions for study materials can be obtained from the coordinator of the program/discipline.

Fire Science Certification

For proficiency in Fire Science courses, copies of the appropriate certification documents from the appropriate agency (listed below) must be attached to the Proficiency Application Form. For further information: **www.state.il.us/osfm**

1. FO I - Fire Officer I
2. FO II - Fire Officer II
3. FSI - University of Illinois Fire Service Institute
4. IFCA - Illinois Fire Chief's Association
5. OSFM - Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshall

IB (International Baccalaureate)

For proficiency tests that require IB scores, an official IB Score Report must be submitted along with the Application for Proficiency Testing. To obtain scores/reports: **ibo.org**.

Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board

For proficiency in Criminal Justice courses, copies of the appropriate certification documents from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board must be attached to the Proficiency Application form. For further information: **www.ptb.state.il.us**

Interviews

For proficiency tests involving interviews, follow the procedures listed in the front of this booklet for registering for a proficiency test. Guidelines for interviews can be obtained from the coordinator of the program/discipline.

Microsoft Certifications (MOS and MTA)

Microsoft certifications are Information Technology professional certifications for Microsoft products. Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) and Microsoft Technology Associate (MTA) are managed by third-party companies (i.e. Certiport).

Credit for Completion of Military Course Work

Students who have or are currently serving in the military may receive credit for military experience based on the student's program of study. The student's official military transcripts will be reviewed by the appropriate College official, as designated by the College President. Credits could be used towards your associate degree and/or certificate program. Military evaluations require a Joint Service Transcript (JST), or Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) transcript. Student may obtain transcripts from the following: JST: Home page (doded.mil); CCAF: Community College of the Air Force (af.edu).

Students pursuing a career program may speak to the individual program coordinator about a potential substitution for a required career course, which would only be granted at the program coordinator's discretion.

Portfolio

For proficiency tests involving portfolios, follow the procedures listed in the front of this booklet for registering for a proficiency test. Guidelines for portfolios can be obtained from the coordinator of the program.

For further information about the **Proficiency Testing Program,** contact Lisa Hansen, Manager, SSC and Testing, (708) 709-3507, email: ahansen@prairiestate.edu.

Listed below are the courses for which credit may be gained by successfully completing a proficiency examination. The specific test method is also indicated. The courses listed here are the **ONLY** courses in which proficiency credit will be granted through July 31, 2022. Credit may not be awarded twice for the same learning.

If you have a proposal for a proficiency exam not listed herein, please submit to the department coordinator or manager of Student Success Center and Testing.

Course/Credit	Course Title	Method of Evaluation
ART (ART)		
ART 101 (3)	Two Dimensional Design	Portfolio Review **or** AP Studio Art 2-D Art and Design Exam Grade 3-5
ART 102 (3)	Three Dimensional Design	AP 3-D Design Exam Grade 3-5
ART 104 (3)	Drawing I	Portfolio Review or AP Drawing Exam Grade 3-5
ART 106 (3)	Drawing II	Portfolio Review
ART 115 (3)	Introduction to Computer Art	Portfolio Review
ART 121 (3)	History of Western Art I	AP Art History Exam Grade 3-5
ART 122 (3)	History of Western Art II	AP Art History Exam Grade 4-5
ART 201 (3)	Painting I	Portfolio Review
AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY (AUTO)		
AUTO 101 (3)	Basic Automobile Service and Systems	Department Examination
AUTO 102 (4)	Automotive Engines	Department Examination
AUTO 107 (4)	Automotive Electricity/Electronics I	Department Examination
AUTO 108 (4)	Suspension and Steering Systems	Department Examination
AUTO 202 (4)	Automotive Brake Systems	Department Examination
AUTO 205 (4)	Manual Transmissions/Transaxles	Department Examination
AUTO 206 (4)	Automotive Engine Performance	Department Examination
AUTO 207 (4)	Automotive Heating/Air Conditioning	Department Examination
AUTO 208 (4)	Automatic Transmissions/Transaxles	Department Examination
AUTO 210 (4)	Automotive Electricity/Electronics II	Department Examination
AUTO 211 (4)	Automotive Engine Performance II	Department Examination
BIOLOGY (BIOL)		
BIOL 105 (3)	Environmental Biology	AP Environmental Science Exam Grade 3-5
BIOL 111 (4)	Cellular and Molecular Biology	AP Biology Exam Grade 3-5
BIOL 112 (4)	Organismal Biology	AP Biology Exam Grade 4-5
BUSINESS (BUS)		
BUS 103 (3)	Business Math	Department Examination
BUS 240 (4)	Elementary Statistics	AP Statistics Exam Grade 4-5
BUS 241 (3)	Principles of Management	CLEP Principles of Management Exam Score 50 or above
BUS 251 (3)	Principles of Marketing	CLEP Principles of Marketing Exam Score 50 or above
BUS 298 (1)	Seminar	Portfolio of Life Experience
BUS 299 (variable credit)	Internship	Portfolio of Life Experience

CAD/MECHANICAL DESIGN (CADMD)

CAD 141 (3)   Technical Drafting I   Department Examination

COMPUTER ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN

CET 101 (2)   Fundamentals of Electricity   Department Examination
CET 103 (2)   Alternating Current   Department Examination
CET 111 (4)   Electronic Principles   Department Examination
CET 220 (4)   Programmable Logic Controllers   Department Examination

CHEMISTRY (CHEM)

CHEM 105 (4)*   Survey of General Chemistry   CLEP Chemistry Score of 50 or above
CHEM 110 (5)   General Chemistry I   AP Chemistry Exam Grade 3-5
CHEM 130 (5)   General Chemistry II   AP Chemistry Exam Grade 4-5

* Students who have submitted a program intent form from Dental Hygiene or Nursing (AAS) as a major and meet the following criteria may use the Chemistry CLEP exam to proficiency out of Chemistry 105:
- Completed an equivalent laboratory general chemistry course from another accredited institution with **official** transcript proof of earning a "C" or better.
- Completed our CHEM 105 course that is past five (5) years old (Nursing) or seven (7) years old (Dental Hygiene).

For students looking to declare Nursing (AAS), the CHEM 105 as a prerequisite is to earn additional rating points; an instructor can waive the prerequisite to get into BIOL 221.

For students applying to the Dental Hygiene Program, CHEM 105 is not a prerequisite, but it can be used to earn additional points in the admission ranking process and must be taken (or equivalent earned) by the completion of the program.

COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS (See Information Technology)

CRIMINAL JUSTICE (CJ)

CJ 101 (3)   Introduction to Criminal Justice   Certification from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board as a Law Enforcement Officer (400 or 480 hour Basic Law Enforcement Training Program).
and Minimum of one year of full-time experience as a Law Enforcement Officer.
and Must have completed probationary status at current law enforcement agency.
and Written verification of the above must be provided by the agency's chief executive officer on agency letterhead.

CJ 103 (3)	Law Enforcement Organization and Administration	Certification from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board as a Law Enforcement Officer (400 or 480 hour Basic Law Enforcement Program). **and** Minimum of one year of full-time Law Enforcement Supervisory experience with the rank of Officer-In-Charge, Corporal, Sergeant or above. **and** Written verification of the above must be provided by the agency's chief executive officer on agency letterhead.
CJ 106 (3)	Introduction to Corrections	Certification from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board as a Corrections Officer (240 hour Basic corrections Officer Training Program). **and** Minimum of one year experience as a full-time corrections Officer. **and** Must have completed probationary status at current agency. **and** Written verification of the above must be provided by the agency's chief executive officer on agency letterhead.
CJ 201 (3)	Intro to Criminal Law	Certification from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board as a Law Enforcement Officer (400 or 480 hour Basic Law Enforcement Training Program). **and** Minimum of one year of full-time experience as a Law Enforcement Officer. **and** Must have completed probationary status at current law enforcement agency. **and** Written verification of the above must be provided by the agency's chief executive officer on agency letterhead.
CJ 203 (3)	Civil and Criminal Law / Procedures	Certification from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board as a Law Enforcement Officer (400 or 480 hour Basic Law Enforcement Training Program) **and** Minimum of two years of full-time experience as a Detective, Juvenile Officer, or Crime Scene technician. **and** Documentation of a minimum of eighty hours advanced training in criminal investigations and/or certification for crime scene evidence technicians. **and** Written verification of the above must be provided by the agency's chief executive officer on agency letterhead.

CJ 204 (3)	Juvenile Justice	Certification from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board as a Law Enforcement Officer (400 or 480 hour Basic Law Enforcement Training Program). **and** Minimum of one year of full-time experience as a Juvenile Officer. **and** Documentation of Certification in Training as a Certified State of Illinois Juvenile Officer. **and** Written verification of the above must be provided by the agency's chief executive officer on agency letterhead.
CJ 208 (3)	Principles of Criminalistics	Certification from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board as a Law Enforcement Officer (400 or 480 hour Basic Law Enforcement Training program). **and** Minimum of two years of full-time experience as a Detective/Investigator and/or Evidence Technician. **and** Documentation of a minimum of eighty hours in advanced training in Criminalistics or Practical Homicide Investigations. **and** Written verification of the above must be provided by the agency's chief executive officer on agency letterhead.
CJ 299 (3)	Criminal Justice Internship	Certification from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board as a Law Enforcement Officer (400 or 480 hour Basic Law Enforcement Training Program). **or** Certification from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board as a Corrections Officer (240 hour Basic Corrections Officer Training Program) **and** Minimum of one year of full-time experience as a Law Enforcement Officer or Corrections Officer who has completed their probationary status and field training program. **and** Written verification of the above must be provided by the agency's chief executive officer on agency letterhead.

DRAFTING (DRAFT)

DRAFT 101 (2)	Drafting Essentials	Department Examination
DRAFT 102 (2)	Drafting Conventions and Symbols	Department Examination
DRAFT115 (2)	Blueprint Reading/Mechanical Trades	Department Examination

ECONOMICS (ECON)

ECON 201 (3)	Macroeconomic Principles	CLEP Principles of Macroeconomics Grade 50 or above **or** AP Macroeconomics Exam Grade 3-5
ECON 202 (3)	Microeconomic Principles	CLEP Principles of Microeconomics Grade 50 or above **or** AP Microeconomics Exam Grade 3-5

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY (EMS)

EMS 101 (7)   Emergency Medical Technician   Department Examination

ENGLISH (ENG)

ENG 101 (3)	Composition I	AP English Language and Composition Exam Grade 3-5 **or** CLEP College Composition Grade 50 or above
ENG 211 (3)	American Literature I	CLEP American Literature Exam Score 50 or above
ENG 212 (3)	American Literature II	CLEP American Literature Exam Score 50 or above
ENG 231 (3)	British Literature I	CLEP English Literature Exam Score 50 or above
ENG 232 (3)	British Literature II	CLEP English Literature Exam Score 50 or above
ENG 240 (3)	Introduction to Fiction	AP English Literature and Composition Exam Grade 3-5

FIRE SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY (FST)

FST 101 (3)	Introduction/Fire Science Technology	OSFM Firefighter II, Firefighter III, Basic Firefighter Operations or Advanced Firefighter Operations Cert.
FST 102 (3)	Fire Prevention Principles I	FSI or IFCA Fire Prevention I or OSFM FO I Certification
FST 104 (3)	Tactics I & Strategy I	FSI or IFCA Tactics I or OSFM FO I Certification
FST 105 (3)	Construction & Fire Systems	No set equivalencies-Proposals can be submitted to the Fire Science Coordinator for approval.
FST 106 (3)	Hazardous Materials Operations	OSFM Hazmat Operations Certification
FST 119 (3)	Firefighter II	OFSM Firefighter II or Basic Firefighter Operations Cert.
FST 120 (6)	Firefighter III	OFSM Firefighter III or Advanced Firefighter Operations Cert.
FST 201 (3)	Arson Investigation	Any FSI or IFCA Arson course or any OSFM Fire Investigator Certification MOD I & II
FST 202 (3)	Vehicle and Machinery Operations	OSFM Roadway Extrication Specialist or VMO
FST 204 (3)	Fire Tactics & Strategy II	FSI or IFCA Tactics II or OSFM FO II Certification
FST 205 (3)	Hazardous Materials Tech II	OSFM Hazmat Technician A or B Certification
FST 207 (3)	Fire Dept Management I	FSI or IFCA Management I or OSFM FO I Certification
FST 208 (3)	Fire Dept Management II	FSI or IFCA Management II or OSFM FO I Certification
FST 209 (3)	Fire Prevention Principles II	OSFM Fire Prevention Officer Certification
FST 210 (3)	Fire Apparatus Engineer	OSFM Fire Apparatus Engineer Certification
FST 212 (3)	Fire Service-Instructor I	OSFM Instructor I or FO I Certification
FST 213 (3)	Fire Service - Instructor II	OSFM Instructor II or FO II Certification
FST 218 (3)	Fire Dept Management III	FSI or IFCA Management III or OSFM FO II Certification
FST 219 (3)	Fire Dept Management IV	FSI or IFCA Management IV or OSFM FO II Certification

Proposals requesting other course substitutions should be submitted to the Fire Science Coordinator and HIT Division Dean for consideration and approval.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

GEN ED HUM (3)	Chinese	AP Chinese Language and Culture Exam Grade 3-5
	French	AP French Language and Culture Exam Grade 3-5
	German	AP German Language and Culture Exam Grade 3-5
	Italian	AP Italian Language and Culture Exam Grade 3-5
	Japanese	AP Japanese Language and Culture Exam Grade 3-5
	Latin	AP Latin Exam Grade 3-5
	Spanish	AP Spanish Literature and Culture Exam Grade 3-5

GEOGRAPHY (GEOG)   AP Human Geography Exam Grade 3-5
GEOG 101 (3)   Cultural Geography

GRAPHIC COMMUNICATIONS (GC)
GC 151 (3)   Principles of Graphic Design   Portfolio Review
GC 160 (3)   Design for Publishing   Portfolio Review

HEALTH (HLTH)
HLTH 105 (1)   General Medical Terminology   Department Examination

HISTORY (HIST)
HIST 111 (3)   World History: Origins to 1714   AP World History: Modern Exam Grade 3-5
HIST 112 (3)   World History: 1714 to Present   AP World History: Modern Exam Grade 4-5
HIST 151 (3)   History of Western Civilization I   AP European History Exam Grade 3-5 **or** CLEP
                                                     Western Civilization I Grade 50 or above
HIST 152 (3)   History of Western Civilization II AP European History Exam Grade 4-5 **or** CLEP
                                                     Western Civilization II Grade 50 or above
HIST 201 (3)   U.S. History: 1492-1877   CLEP History of the U.S. I Grade 50 or above
                                                     or AP United States History Exam Grade 3-5
HIST 202 (3)   U.S. History: 1877-Present   CLEP History of U.S. II Grade 50 or above
                                                     or AP United States History Exam Grade 4-5

HYDRAULICS (HYDR)
HYDR 101 (2)   Fundamentals of Hydraulics   Department Examination
HYDR 102 (2)   Hydraulic Pumps   Department Examination
HYDR 103 (2)   Hydraulic Controls   Department Examination

INDUSTRIAL ELECTRICITY (ELECT)
ELECT 101 (2)   Fundamentals of Electricity I   Department Examination
ELECT 102 (2)   Fundamentals of Electricity II   Department Examination
ELECT 103 (2)   Alternating Current   Department Examination
ELECT 105 (2)   Power, Transformers, Polyphase Circuits   Department Examination
ELECT 111 (2)   Electronic Principles I   Department Examination
ELECT 112 (2)   Electronic Principles II   Department Examination
ELECT 113 (2)   Print Reading for Electricians   Department Examination
ELECT 120 (2)   Electrical Safety   Department Examination
ELECT 157 (2)   Electric Wiring I   Department Examination
ELECT 203 (2)   Industrial Electronics I   Department Examination
ELECT 204 (2)   Industrial Electronics II   Department Examination
ELECT 208 (2)   Programmable Logic Controllers I   Department Examination
ELECT 209 (2)   Programmable Logic Controllers II   Department Examination
ELECT 220 (4)   Programmable Logic Controllers   Department Examination
ELECT 298 (1)   Electrical Seminar   Proficiency can be given with appropriate Industrial
                                                     Certification
ELECT 299 (2)   Electrical Internship   Proficiency can be given with appropriate Industrial
                                                     Certification

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: APPLICATIONS (ITAPP)*

ITAPP 121 (3)	Word Processing Applications	MOS[1] Certiport Word Certification
		MO-100 Microsoft Word and
		MO-101 Microsoft Word Expert
ITAPP 125 (3)	Spreadsheet Applications	MOS[1] Certiport Excel Certification
		MO-200 Microsoft Excel and
		MO-201 Microsoft Excel Expert
ITAPP 128 (3)	Database Applications	MOS[1] Certiport Access Certification
		MO-500 Microsoft Access
ITAPP 133 (2)	Presentation Applications	MOS[1] Certiport Presentation Certification
		MO-300 Microsoft PowerPoint

Must have passed the exam within the last three years.
[1] *Microsoft Office Specialist*

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: NETWORKING (ITNET)

ITNET 160 (4)	Computer Repair	CompTIA A+ certification*
ITNET 165 (3)	Introduction to Networking	CompTIA Network+ certification*

Must have passed the exam within the last three years.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY: WEB DEVELOPMENT (ITWEB)*

ITWEB 101 (3)	Web Page Fundamentals	CIW Web Foundations Series/Site Development Associate certification* **or** Microsoft Technology Associate (MTA) Developer Track/HTML5 App Development Fundamentals certification

Must have passed the exam within the last three years.

MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY (MT)

MT 101(3)	Metal Working Processes I	Department Examination

Proposals requesting other substitutions should be submitted to the MT coordinator for consideration and approval.

MATHEMATICS (MATH)

MATH 115 (3)	General Education Statistics	AP Statistics Exam Grade 3-5
MATH 151 (4)	College Algebra	CLEP College Algebra Exam Score 50 or above
MATH 153 (4)	Probability and Statistics	AP Statistics Exam Grade 4-5
MATH 165 (5)	Pre-Calculus	CLEP Pre/Calculus Exam Score 50 or above
MATH 171 (5)	Calculus with Analytic Geometry I	AP Calculus AB Exam Grade 3-5 **or** AP Calculus BC Exam Grade 3-5 or CLEP 50 or above
MATH 172 (5)	Calculus with Analytic Geometry II	AP Calculus BC Exam Grade 4-5

MATHEMATICS FOR INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY (AMATH)

AMATH 100 (2)	Basic Mathematics/Skilled Trades	Department Examination
AMATH 101 (2)	Algebra for the Skilled Trades	Department Examination

MILLWRIGHT (MILL)

MILL 101 (2)	Industrial Maintenance Techniques I	Department Examination
MILL 102 (2)	Industrial Maintenance Techniques II	Department Examination

MUSIC (MUSIC)

MUSIC 100 (3)	Fundamentals of Music Theory	Department Examination **or** AP Music Theory Exam Grade 3-5
MUSIC 101 (4)	Musicianship I	AP Music Theory Exam Grade 4.5

NURSING (NURS)

NURS 101 (7)	Basic Care Needs	Department Examination and Interview (Requires transfer from another nursing program or current LPN)

PHOTOGRAPHY (PHOTO)

PHOTO 171 (3)	Introduction to Black and White Photography	Department Examination and Portfolio
PHOTO 174 (2)	Digital Darkroom Techniques	Department Examination

PHYSICS (PHYSI)

PHYSI 120 (4)	College Physics I	AP Physics I Exam Grade 3-5
PHYSI 130 (4)	College Physics II	AP Physics 2 Exam Grade 3-5
PHYSI 210 (4)	University Physics I	AP Physics C: Mechanics Exam Grade 3-5
PHYSI 220 (4)	University Physics II	AP Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism Exam Grade 3-5

POLITICAL SCIENCE (POLSC)

POLSC 140 (3)	Introduction to U.S. Government and Politics	CLEP American Government Score 50 or above **or** AP United States Government and Politics: United States Exam Grade 3-5
POLSC 230 (3)	Introduction to Comparative Government	AP Comparative Government and Politics: Comparative Exam Grade 3-5

PSYCHOLOGY (PSYCH)

PSYCH 101 (3)	Introduction to Psychology	CLEP Introductory Psychology, Exam Grade 50 or above **or** AP Psychology Exam Grade 3-5
PSYCH 102 (3)	Human Growth and Development: Life Span	CLEP Human Growth and Development Exam Grade 50 or above
PSYCH 202 (3)	Educational Psychology	CLEP Introduction to Educational Psychology Exam Grade 50 or above

SOCIOLOGY (SOCIO)

SOCIO 101 (3)	Introduction to Sociology	CLEP Introductory Sociology, Exam Grade 50 or above

SPANISH (SPAN)

SPAN 101 (4)	Spanish I	CLEP Spanish Language Level 1 Exam Score 50 or above-SPAN 101 and 102
SPAN 102 (4)	Spanish II	CLEP Spanish Language Level 2 Exam Score 63 or above-SPAN 101, 102, 201 & 202
SPAN 201 (4)	Spanish III	AP Spanish Language and Culture Exam Score of 3-SPAN 101 Score of 4-SPAN 101, 102 Score of 5-SPAN 101, 102, 201

SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY (SRT)

SRT 101 (2)		Department Examination

International Baccalaureate® (IB) Credit Policy, Prairie State College

Each college and university has its own IB course matches and cut off scores. Consult the schools you are considering to discuss IB subjects, levels and scores; and their transferability.

<mark>SL is Standard Level; HL is Higher Level</mark>

IB Diploma Program Subject	IB level	Score	PSC course equivalent
Language A: literature (Any language)	SL	4-5	Electives (3)
Language A: literature (Any language)	SL	6-7	Humanities General Education (3)
Language A: literature (Any language)	HL	4-7	Humanities General Education (3)
Language A: language and literature (English)	SL or HL	4-5	Electives (3)
Language A: language and literature (English)	SL or HL	6-7	ENG 101 (3)
Language A: language and literature (Spanish)	SL or HL	4-7	SPAN 101, SPAN 102, SPAN 201 and SPAN 202 (16)
Language A: language and literature (languages other than English and Spanish)	SL or HL	4-7	Humanities General Education (3) and Electives (13)
Literature and performance	SL	4-7	Humanities General Education (3)
Classical languages	SL	4-5	Electives (4)
Classical languages	SL	6-7	Electives (8)
Classical languages	HL	4-5	Electives (8)
Classical languages	HL	6-7	Electives (8)
Language B (English)	SL or HL	4	Electives (3)
Language B (English)	SL or HL	5-7	Humanities General Education (3)
Language B (Spanish)	SL	4-5	SPAN 101 (4)
Language B (Spanish)	SL	6-7	SPAN 101 and SPAN 102 (8)
Language B (Spanish)	HL	4-5	SPAN 101 and SPAN 102 (8)
Language B (Spanish)	HL	6-7	SPAN 101, SPAN 102 and SPAN 201 (12)
Language B (languages other than English and Spanish)	SL	4-5	Electives (4)
Language B (languages other than English and Spanish)	SL	6-7	Electives (8)
Language B (languages other than English and Spanish)	HL	4-5	Electives (8)
Language B (languages other than English and Spanish)	HL	6-7	Electives (12)
Language ab initio (Spanish)	SL	4-5	SPAN 101 and SPAN 102 (8)
Language ab initio (Spanish)	SL	6-7	SPAN 101, SPAN 102 and SPAN 201 (12)
Language ab initio (languages other than Spanish)	SL	4-5	Electives (8)
Language ab initio (language other than Spanish)	SL	6-7	Electives (12)
Business management	SL or HL	4-7	BUS 241 (3)
Economics	SL or HL	4	Electives (3)
Economics	SL or HL	5	ECON 201 (3)
Economics	SL or HL	6-7	ECON 201 and ECON 202 (6)

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Geography	SL or HL	4-5	Electives (3)
Geography	SL	6-7	GEOG 101 (3)
Geography	HL	6-7	GEOG 101 and Electives (6)
Global Politics	SL or HL	4-5	Electives (3)
Global Politics	SL or HL	6-7	POLSC 240 (3)
History	SL	4-7	Electives (3)
History: Africa/Middle East option	HL	4	Electives (3)
History: Africa/Middle East option	HL	5-7	Social/Behavioral Sciences General Education (3)
History: Americas option	HL	4	Electives (3)
History: Americas option	HL	5-7	HIST 202 (3)
History: Asia/Oceania option	HL	4	Electives (3)
History: Asia/Oceania option	HL	5-7	Social/Behavioral Sciences General Education (3)
History: Europe option	HL	4	Electives (3)
History: Europe option	HL	5-7	HIST 152 (3)
Information technology in a global society	SL or HL	4-7	---
Philosophy	SL or HL	4-5	Electives (3)
Philosophy	SL or HL	6-7	PHILO 101 (3)
Psychology	SL or HL	4-7	PSYCH 101 (3)
Social and cultural anthropology	SL or HL	4-5	Electives (3)
Social and cultural anthropology	SL or HL	6-7	ANTHR 215 (3)
World religions	SL	4-7	HUMAN 101 (3)
Biology	SL or HL	4	BIOL 100 (4)
Biology	SL or HL	5-7	BIOL 111 and BIOL 112 (8)
Chemistry	SL	4-5	CHEM 105 (4)
Chemistry	SL	6	CHEM 110 (5)
Chemistry	SL	7	CHEM 110 and CHEM 130 (10)
Chemistry	HL	4	CHEM 105 (4)
Chemistry	HL	5	CHEM 110 (5)
Chemistry	HL	6-7	CHEM 110 and CHEM 130 (10)
Computer Science	SL or HL	4-5	---
Computer Science	SL	6-7	---
Computer Science	HL	6-7	---
Design technology	SL or HL	4-7	Electives (3)
Environmental systems and societies	SL	4-5	Physical Science General Education (3)
Environmental systems and societies	SL	6-7	Physical Science General Education (4)
Physics	SL	4	Electives (3)
Physics	SL	5-7	PHYSI 101 (4)
Physics	HL	4	Electives (3)
Physics	HL	5-7	PHYSI 120 and PHYSI 130 (8)
Sports, exercise and health science	SL	4-7	Electives (3)
Further mathematics	HL	4	MATH 153 and MATH 171 (9)
Further mathematics	HL	5-7	MATH 153, MATH 171 and MATH 172 (14)
Mathematical studies	SL	4-7	MATH 153 and MATH 171 (9)
Mathematics	SL	4-7	MATH 153 and MATH 171 (9)
Mathematics	HL	4-5	MATH 153 and MATH 171 (9)
Mathematics	HL	6-7	MATH 153, MATH 171 and MATH 172 (14)

IB Diploma Program Subject	IB level	Score	PSC course equivalent
Dance	SL or HL	4-7	Electives (3)
Film	SL or HL	4	Electives (3)
Film	SL or HL	5-7	COMM 113 (3)
Music: Creating option	SL	4-7	MUSIC 100, MUSIC 101 and MUSIC 130 (9)
Music: Performing option	SL	4-7	MUSIC 100, MUSIC 101 and MUSIC 130 (9)
Music	HL	4-7	MUSIC 100, MUSIC 101 and MUSIC 130 (9)
Theatre	SL or HL	4-7	Electives (3)
Visual arts	SL or HL	4-7	ART 129 (3)

Advanced Placement (AP) Credit Policy, Prairie State College

AP Exam	Exam Score	PSC Course Equivalent
AP Research	3-5	General Electives (3 credits)
AP Seminar	3-5	General Electives (3 credits)
AP Art History	3-5	ART 121
	4-5	ART 122
AP Music Theory	3-5	MUSIC 100
	4-5	MUSIC 101
AP 2-D Design Art and Design	3-5	ART 101
AP Studio Art: 3-D Art and Design	3-5	ART 102
AP Drawing	3-5	ART 104
AP English Language and Composition	3-5	ENG 101
AP English Literature and Composition	3-5	ENG 240
AP Comparative Government and Politics	3-5	POLSC 230
AP European History	3-5	HIST 151
	4-5	HIST 152
AP Human Geography	3-5	GEOG 101
AP Macroeconomics	3-5	ECON 201
AP Microeconomics	3-5	ECON 202
AP Psychology	3-5	PSYCH 101
AP United States Government and Politics	3-5	POLSC 140
AP United States History	3-5	HIST 201
	4-5	HIST 202
AP World History: Modern	3-5	HIST 111
	4-5	HIST 112
AP Calculus AB	3-5	MATH 171
AP Calculus BC	3-5	MATH 171
	4-5	MATH 172
AP Computer Science A	3-5	---
AP Computer Science Principles	3-5	---
AP Statistics	3-5	MATH 115
	4-5	BUS 240
	4-5	MATH 153
AP Biology	3-5	BIOL 111
	4-5	BIOL 112
AP Chemistry	3-5	CHEM 110
	4-5	CHEM 130
AP Environmental Science	3-5	BIOL 105
AP Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism	3-5	PHYSI 220
AP Physics C: Mechanics	3-5	PHYSI 210
AP Physics 1: Algebra-Based	3-5	PHYSI 120
AP Physics 2: Algebra-Based	3-5	PHYSI 130

AP Exam	Exam Score	PSC Course Equivalent
AP Chinese Language and Culture	3-5	General Foreign Language First Semester (4 credits)
	4-5	General Humanities
AP French Language and Culture	3-5	General Foreign Language First Semester (4 credits)
	4-5	General Humanities
AP German Language and Culture	3-5	General Foreign Language First Semester (4 credits)
	4-5	General Humanities
AP Italian Language and Culture	3-5	General Foreign Language First Semester (4 credits)
	4-5	General Humanities
AP Japanese Language and Culture	3-5	General Foreign Language First Semester (4 credits)
	4-5	General Humanities
AP Latin	3-5	General Foreign Language First Semester (4 credits)
	4-5	General Humanities
AP Spanish Language and Culture	3-5	SPAN 101
	4-5	SPAN 202
AP Spanish Literature and Culture	3-5	General Humanities

CLEP Credit Policy, Prairie State College

CLEP Exam	Exam Score	PSC Course Equivalent
Business		
Financial Accounting	50	---
Information Systems	50	---
Introductory Business Law	50	---
Principles of Management	50	BUS 241
Principles of Marketing	50	BUS 251
Composition and Literature		
American Literature	50	ENG 211 and ENG 212
Analyzing and Interpreting Literature	50	---
College Composition	50	ENG 101
College Composition Modular	50	---
English Literature	50	ENG 231 and ENG 232
Humanities	50	---
World Languages		
French Language, Level 1 Proficiency	50	---
French Language, Level 2 Proficiency	59	---
German Language, Level 1 Proficiency	50	---
German Language, Level 2 Proficiency	60	---
Spanish Language, Level 1 Proficiency	50	SPAN 101 and SPAN 102
Spanish Language, Level 2 Proficiency	63	SPAN 201 and SPAN 202
History and Social Sciences		
American Government	50	POLSC 140
History of the United States I	50	HIST 201
History of the United States II	50	HIST 202
Human Growth and Development	50	PSYCH 102
Introduction to Educational Psychology	50	PSYCH 202
Introductory Psychology	50	PSYCH 101
Introductory Sociology	50	SOCIO 101
Principles of Macroeconomics	50	ECON 201
Principles of Microeconomics	50	ECON 202
Social Sciences and History	50	---
Western Civilization I	50	HIST 151
Western Civilization II	50	HIST 152
Science and Mathematics		
Biology	50	---
Calculus	50	---
Chemistry	50	CHEM 105
College Algebra	50	MATH 151
College Mathematics	50	---
Natural Sciences	50	---
Precalculus	50	MATH 165

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