

ILR Summary of Credit Policies

The following guidelines govern use of AP credits to meet ILR requirements. For credit information pertaining to other AP courses (including foreign languages), as well as other IB, French Baccalaureate and General Certification of Education Advanced Level Exams, please visit Cornell's [Advanced Placement site](#).

AP Course	Score	Credit	ILR Course Placement
Biology	5 4	Up to 8 4	Can be used to fulfill science requirement or GEC
Calculus AB or AB sub-scores from BC exam	4, 5	4	GEC
Calculus BC	4, 5	8	GEC
Chemistry	5	4	Can be used to fulfill science requirement or GEC
Economics (macro)	5 (or IB HL 6 and 7)	3	Placement out of ECON 1120
Economics (micro)	5 (or IB HL 6 and 7)	3	Placement out of ECON 1110
English Language & Composition or English Literature & Composition	4,5 (or IB HL 6 and 7)	3	GEC
Environmental Science			No credit granted
Government and Politics, U.S.			No credit granted
Government and Politics, Comparative			No credit granted
History, U. S.			No credit granted
History, European			No credit granted
History, World			No credit granted

Physics * I, II	5	4	Can be used to fulfill science requirement or GEC
C - Electricity/Magnetism, Mechanics	5	4	Can be used to fulfill science requirement or GEC
Psychology	4, 5	3	GEC only
Statistics	4,5	4	Placement out of ILRST 2100

Semester Credit Limit

Students shall not exceed 18 credits in a semester except for PE, ROTC requirements, a required pre or post course for an ILR-approved experiential learning opportunity, or in the final semester before graduation. Students cannot petition to exceed 18 credits when none of these conditions are present.

Transfer Credit Limitations

Before matriculation, students who enter ILR as first-year students can apply a maximum of 15 transfer credits taken outside Cornell University, including up to 12 AP, IB and other test credits. This includes approved dual enrollment credit.

Once first-year and transfer students matriculate, all students are limited to a total of 15 extramural credits throughout the course of their degree. Extramural credits include credits taken during the summer or winter session at Cornell or at another institution. These limitations do not apply to approved study-abroad programs. Total transfer credit cannot exceed 60 credits, including test credit and credit from approved study abroad programs.

DUAL ENROLLMENT CREDIT: Some applicants to Cornell take college courses during high school. Non-Cornell credit may be accepted when:

- the credits are earned at an accredited institution
- the course is taken on a college/university campus or online with matriculated college students and is taught by a college/university professor
- the credits have not been applied toward high school graduation requirements
- an email from a HS counselor is sent to ilradmissions@cornell.edu confirming that the course meets the above criteria (this should be sent the summer before the student begins taking classes at Cornell)
- the grade earned is “C” or better