Advanced Placement & International Baccalaureate Policy

Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate courses are excellent preparation for college-level work, but they are not equivalent to Honors courses and seminars at Canisius College. Nevertheless, the All-College Honors Program wants to encourage exceptional students to enroll in the program, and so Honors will grant credit for up to three qualifying AP or IB scores, provided one of the scores is in foreign language.

AP/IB SUBJECT	AP score	IB score	Honors Program course credit
Art History	4 or 5	N/A	Fine Arts
Biology	4 or 5	6 or 7	Science/Math/Tech
Calculus	4 or 5	N/A	Science/Math/Tech
Chemistry	4 or 5	6 or 7	Science/Math/Tech
Chinese	4 or 5	N/A	Foreign Language
Comparative Gov't & Politics	4 or 5	N/A	Social Science
Computer Science	4 or 5	6 or 7	Science/Math/Tech
Economics	4 or 5	6 or 7	Social Science
English	4 or 5	6 or 7	Literature
Environmental Science/Systems	4 or 5	6 or 7	Science/Math/Tech
European History	4 or 5	N/A	History
Dance	N/A	6 or 7	Fine Arts
Design Technology	N/A	6 or 6	Science/Math/Technology
Film	N/A	6 or 7	Fine Arts
French	4 or 5	6 or 7	Foreign Language
Geography	N/A	6 or 7	Social Science
German	4 or 5	6 or 7	Foreign Language
Greek	N/A	6 or 6	Foreign Language
History	N/A	6 or 7	History
Human Geography	4 or 5	N/A	Social Science
Italian	4 or 5	N/A	Foreign Language
Latin	4 or 5	6 or 7	Foreign Language
Japanese	4 or 5	N/A	Foreign Language
Mathematics	N/A	6 or 7	Science/Math/Tech
Music or Music Theory	4 or 5	6 or 7	Fine Arts
Philosophy	N/A	6 or 7	Philosophy
Physics	4 or 5	6 or 7	Science/Math/Tech
Psychology	4 or 5	N/A	Social Science
Social & Cultural Anthropology	N/A	6 or 7	Social Science
Spanish	4 or 5	6 or 7	Foreign Language
Statistics	4 or 5	N/A	Science/Math/Tech
Studio Art	4 or 5	N/A	Fine Arts
Theater	N/A	6 or 7	Fine Arts
U.S. Gov't & Politics	4 or 5	N/A	Social Science
U.S. History	4 or 5	N/A	History
Visual Arts	N/A	6 or 7	Fine Arts
World History	4 or 5	N/A	History

Caveats

- *Generally speaking, Honors students may not use qualifying AP/IB scores to bypass any freshman Honors course, i.e. HON 101 (English) and HON 110-111 (Western Tradition I & II).
- *Honors can only accept AP/IB scores in subjects relevant to the Honors curriculum.
- *Honors accepts one AP/IB score in a given subject.
- *Honors typically grants *one* course credit for an AP score of either 4 or 5 or an IB score of 6 or 7 in relevant subjects.
- *In foreign languages, Honors grants *two* course credits for an AP score of 4 or 5 or an IB score of 6 or 7.

Honors students may have additional AP/IB scores accepted for non-Honors courses, e.g., courses in one's major(s) or minor(s) or for elective credit. In this regard, Honors students should see their departmental chairs and associate deans.