

BECKMAN HIGH SCHOOL EARLY COLLEGE OVERVIEW

The purpose of the Early College Program (ECP) is to provide the opportunity for academically qualified high school students to complete the Intersegmental General Education Course (IGETC) Certification and potentially an associate's degree (additional units are needed outside of ECP to obtain an associate's degree). The program is specifically designed to allow students who plan to attend a UC or CSU campus with almost two years worth of transferrable college credit, saving thousands of dollars in tuition and valuable time that can be directed toward a career or graduate work.

Classes offered through ECP are for college credit and carry the same rigor and content as the course offered on the IVC campus. All courses offered through ECP transfer to both the California State University (CSU) and University of California (UC).

	Freshman Year	Sophomore Year	Junior Year	Senior Year
	English (b)	English (b)	US History (a)	English (b)
	Math (c)	Math (c)	English (b)	Math (c)
	World Language (e)	World Language (e)	Math (c)	Elective
	PE	PE	World Language (e)*	Elective
		Chemistry (d)	Physics (d)	
1st Semester Early College	Counseling 10 (g)	Sociology 1 (g)	Humanities 1 (g)	Writing 2 (b)
1st Semester Early College	History 1 (a)	Psychology 1 (g)	Econ 1 (g)	Biology 1 / Biology 1 Lab (d)
2nd Semester Early College	Music 20 (f)	Communication 1 (g)	Writing 1 (b)	Ethnic Studies (g)
2nd Semester Early College	History 2 (a)	Geography 1 (g)	Psych 10 (Statistics) (c)	Political Science 1 (a)
	IVC courses at BHS/ Zero period required	IVC courses at BHS/Zero period required	IVC courses at BHS/Zero period required	IVC courses at IVC/Zero period required

*If an athlete, student can take World Language in the summer at IVC

Options for obtaining the additional 9 units needed for an AA/AS Degree at IVC:

- Additional Courses at IVC or another college/university
- AP tests with scores of 3 or higher on accepted subjects at IVC

Associate degrees available to ECP students who finish 60 units:

- Associate in Arts Degree with an emphasis in Liberal Studies

IVC Counselor Contact

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*Appointments conducted at IVC can be made by calling (949) 451-5752. Appointments can also be conducted at Beckman HS, to set up an appointment for Beckman HS please email Mr. Melendez with a day/time that would work best.

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Early College students who would like to complete a 2-year associate's degree from Irvine Valley College by the time they complete high school and the Early College Program will need to complete an additional 9 units of college credit. This can be done in one of three ways.

1. Complete additional college courses at IVC, another community college or university during the summer or regular school year. On average, most college courses are 3 units so students would most likely only need to take an additional 3 college courses.

2. Complete AP exams and get an appropriate score earning Irvine Valley College Credit.

- Common AP Exams and IVC Credit
- Biology (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) - 4 units of credit
- Calculus AB (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 10 units of credit
- Calculus BC (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 10 units of credit
- Chemistry (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 4 units of credit
- Chinese Language (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 5 units of credit
- Computer Science A (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 3 units of credit
- Computer Science Principles (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 3 units of credit
- English Literature and Composition (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 3 units of credit
- Environmental Science (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 4 units of credit
- French Language (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 5 units of credit
- History, World (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 3 units of credit
- History, US (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 3 units of credit
- Human Geography (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 3 units of credit
- Physics 1 – (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 4 units of credit
- Spanish Language and Culture (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 5 units of credit
- Studio Art, 2D or 3D (with a score of 3 or better on the AP exam) – 3 units of credit

3. Complete a combination of college and AP exam credit

Private College/University Credit

Credit given by private universities varies, as each school has different policies and practices in accepting credits. Please check the policies of institutions you are interested in attending.