

CLEP Frequently Asked Questions

How much does it cost?

There is a non-refundable \$30 fee payable to CLU online, due at the time of registration and an exam fee of \$77 due at the time of testing, payable to CLEP by check or credit card.

Cash will not be accepted.

Who can take CLEP exams?

CLEP exams are available to any CLU undergraduate student currently enrolled in the traditional or ADEP program.

Where are the tests administered?

The tests take place in Lab 7 in Pearson Library. (For time and dates [click here](#))

How does a CLEP score appear on my Transcript?

CLEP scores appear on your transcript like a class transferred from another school. There is no notation that you “tested out of” a class. If you pass, you receive credits but not a letter grade; therefore, your score does not have an impact on your GPA.

What is the duration of the exam?

The amount of questions varies, but most are between 80 and 120. All tests have a 90-minute time limit. If you need to receive testing accommodations for a documented disability, you will need to contact Wendy Perkins at 805-493-3878 to set that up ahead of time.

How is it scored?

Your raw score is converted into a scaled score between 20 and 80. You must score at least a 50 to pass. **There is no penalty for guessing.**

Is there a limit to how many tests I can take?

A maximum of 32 credits by exam may be applied to the degree. This includes but is not limited to CLEP, institutional exams, and Advanced Placement (AP) exams.

Do the units count towards CLU residency units?

As a CLU student, you must fulfill a residency requirement, which states that your last 30 of your 40 units must be taken at CLU. Check with your registrar evaluator if you plan on using CLEP credits for graduation purposes.

If I don't pass, can I take the test again?

If you receive a score under 50, you may re-take the same exam 6 months later. You may take an alternate exam any time after.

I've already taken a course on the subject, and I just need units. Can I take a CLEP?

If you have already received college credit for a course, you **may not** take a CLEP in the same subject. For example, if you have taken Introduction to Sociology during a semester, you may not take the Introductory Sociology CLEP exam and receive units.

I'm active military. Do I get a discount?

Exam fees could be covered by DANTES if you are currently serving on active duty in any of the following branches: Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Coast Guard, National Guard and Reserve Component.

If you are a spouse and/or civilian employee of the Air Force Reserve, Air National Guard, Army National Guard, Army Reserve, or Coast Guard, your CLEP exam fee may also be funded by DANTES.