

# Credit by Examination Opportunities at Iowa Central Community College

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**College Level Examination Program (CLEP)** Iowa Central Community College is a National Testing Center for CLEP examinations. The test is administered on testing computers in the Academic Resource Center.

- **Time: CLEP tests are administered by appointment.** Tests can be scheduled during normal testing hours throughout the year. **Please call the Academic Resource Center at (515) 574-1044 (Fort Dodge Center) or (515) 574-1071 (Storm Lake Center) to schedule an appointment.**
- **Length:** Tests are generally 90 minutes in length. Allow ½ hour additional time for directions and registration.

## Application Information

- To sign up for the CLEP exam(s), you must go to <https://clep.collegeboard.org> and create an account. You will sign up through the registration platform. Registering for an exam provides you with a payment receipt and a Ticket ID (this payment receipt/Ticket ID needs to be presented at the time of testing). You must contact the Testing Center to schedule the date and time you wish to take the test.
- The **cost** of each test is **\$140.00**. An \$90/exam fee will need to be paid online via credit/debit card during registration. A \$50/exam fee to Iowa Central will be collected at the Testing Center before signing into the exam. Cash, Check, Money Order, Master Card, VISA, Discover, and American Express are accepted as forms of payment. **The \$50 service fee is nonrefundable.**

**Bring acceptable government-issued photo ID to the exam.** The identification must include name, photograph and signature and be an original document that bears the test taker's full name, in English language characters, exactly as it appears on the registration ticket, including the order of the names— photocopied documents are not acceptable.

### Acceptable forms of identification include:

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| <input type="radio"/> A current driver's license with name, photograph, and signature  |
| <input type="radio"/> A current State or Province ID issued by the motor vehicle agency with name, photograph, and signature |
| <input type="radio"/> A current passport with name, photograph, and signature  |
| <input type="radio"/> Tribal ID card with name, photograph, and signature  |
| <input type="radio"/> A naturalization card or certificate of citizenship with name, photograph, and signature               |

A complete list of acceptable ID's can be found here: <https://clep.collegeboard.org/earn-college-credit/taking-the-test>

## Some Things You Should Know About Taking CLEP

- **Who should consider testing?** If 1) you are sure the credits will be accepted by the college(s) and/or university(ies) you plan to attend and 2) you ranked in the top 20 percent of your high school class, 3) you already have college-level proficiency in certain subject areas, 4) you earned a Composite Score of 24 or above on the ACT test; or 5) you have earned an ACT score above 24 on the ACT area most directly related to the CLEP Examination, you should consider taking these exams.
- **Study materials** for CLEP are available on the College Board website <https://clep.collegeboard.org/earn-college-credit/practice>. You may order a copy of *The Official Study Guide* for approximately \$25 by calling 1-800-323-7155 and charging it to your major credit card. A reference copy of *The Official Study Guide* is in the Fort Dodge Academic Resource Center.
- **Test scores** are normally reported back to the student on the testing day.
- **Repeating an exam** is possible after a 91 day waiting period.
- **CLEP MAY NOT SERVE AS A REPEATED COURSE.** A student may not earn credit by examination for a course in which he/she is currently enrolled, nor an equivalent course was previously attempted or completed.
- **CLEP MAY NOT SERVE AS CREDIT FOR A LOWER COURSE ONCE YOU'VE TRANSCRIPTED CREDIT FOR A HIGHER LEVEL COURSE IN THE SAME DISCIPLINE.**

**Use of CLEP at Iowa Central Community College** Each college and university must decide how to apply CLEP credit. Iowa Central Community College follows the guidelines of the agreement between the Regent Universities and the Area Colleges (see p. 2). That policy dictates cut-off scores and credit granted.

- A maximum of 30 semester hours of CLEP credit will be granted by Iowa Central.
- **For questions about applying CLEP credit toward Iowa Central graduation, see the Iowa Central Registrar.**

**Transferring Credit** Transfer applications of CLEP credit should be discussed with the Admissions Office of the senior college. CLEP transcripts need to be requested and sent through the "My Account" feature within your CLEP account.

**These CLEP examinations cover material taught in similar ICCC undergraduate courses:**

Iowa Central Courses	Credit granted at ICCC	CLEP Subject Examinations
BIO-102 Introductory Biology	3	Biology
CHM-110 Introduction to Chemistry	3	Chemistry
ECN-120 Principles of Macroeconomics	3	Principles of Macroeconomics
ECN-130 Principles of Microeconomics	3	Principles of Microeconomics
ENG-105 Composition I	3	College Composition Modular
*FLF-141 & FLF-142 Elem. French I & II (FLF-241)	6/(9)	French Language: Levels 1 and 2
*FLG-141 & FLG-142 Elem. German I & II (FLG-241)	6/(9)	German Language: Levels 1 and 2
*FLS-141 & FLS-142 Elem. Spanish I & II (FLS-241)	6/(9)	Spanish Language: Levels 1 and 2
*FLS-141 & FLS-142 Elem. Spanish I & II (FLS-241)	6/(9)	Spanish with Writing: Levels 1 and 2
HIS-112 Western Civ.:Ancient to Early Modern	3	Western Civilization I: Ancient Near East to 1648
HIS-113 Western Civ.:Early Modern to Present	3	Western Civilization II: 1648 to the Present
HIS-151 U.S. History to 1877	3	History of the US I: Early Colonization to 1877
HIS-152 U.S. History since 1877	3	History of the US II: 1865 to the Present
HUM-113 Exploring the Humanities	3	Humanities
LIT-101 Introduction to Literature	3	Analyzing & Interpreting Literature
MAT-102 Intermediate Algebra	3	College Algebra
MAT-127 College Algebra & Trigonometry	3	Precalculus
MAT-210 Calculus I	3	Calculus
MGT-101 Principles of Management	3	Principles of Management
MKT-110 Principles of Marketing	3	Principles of Marketing
POL-111 American National Government	3	American Government
PSY-111 Introduction to Psychology	3	Introductory Psychology
PSY-121 Developmental Psychology	3	Human Growth & Development
SOC-110 Introduction to Sociology	3	Introductory Sociology

<b>* Foreign Language Exams:</b>	
<b>French Language: Levels 1 and 2</b>	
Score of/between 50-58 will earn 6 semester credits. (FLF-141 and FLF-142)	Score of 59 or above will earn 9 semester credits. (FLF-141, FLF-142 and FLF-241)
<b>German Language: Levels 1 and 2</b>	
Score of/between 50-59 will earn 6 semester credits. (FLG-141 and FLG-142)	Score of 60 or above will earn 9 semester credits. (FLG-141, FLG-142 and FLG-241)
<b>Spanish Language: Levels 1 and 2</b>	
Score of/between 50-62 will earn 6 semester credits. (FLS-141 and FLS-142)	Score of 63 or above will earn 9 semester credits. (FLS-141 & FLS-142 ad FLS-241)
<b>Spanish with Writing: Levels 1 and 2</b>	
Score of/between 50-64 will earn 6 semester credits. (FLS-141 and FLS-142)	Score of 65 or above will earn 9 semester credits. (FLS-141, FLS-142, and FLS-241)

**These CLEP examinations may be used for elective credit only at Iowa Central Community College:**

Examination Title	Credit
1. English Literature	<b>6 semester hours</b>
2. College Mathematics	<b>6 semester hours</b>
3. Natural Sciences	<b>6 semester hours</b>
4. Social Sciences & History	<b>3 semester hours</b>

**College Level Examination Program Acceptance Agreement**

- CLEP credits shall be recorded on academic transcripts in a manner that makes them clearly recognizable as credits earned by examination as opposed to resident coursework. (If possible, the type of exam should be noted on the transcripts.)
- CLEP credits should not be granted if they duplicate credits for courses already taken.
- CLEP Subject Exams shall have no maximum credit limitation except as may be imposed by the institution.
- A maximum of 30 s.h. shall be allowed for CLEP General Exams. (6 s.h. per exam maximum)
- For the CLEP General Exams, the 60 percentile (sophomore norms) shall be established as the minimum score for degree credit award.\*
- For the CLEP Subject Exams, the 50 percentile (norms of people who have taken the course) shall be established as the minimum score for degree credit award.\*
- All public-supported institutions shall accept for transfer CLEP credit granted in accordance with the preceding 6 steps providing transcript also shows no less than 12 s.h. (18 q.h.) of regular resident credit earned.

*Approved: Regent Committee on Educational Relations, December 10, 1979; Area College Superintendents, March 26, 1980, via a Tele-Network meeting*

**\*The Regents Universities and Iowa's Community Colleges agree to accept a computer scaled score of 50 on the CLEP Examinations for purposes of maintaining the current articulation agreement on the transfer of credit by examination.** –L.A.C.T.S. Committee Meeting, April, 2003

## Advanced Placement Program (AP)

Iowa Central offers its students the opportunity to earn immediate college credit by demonstrating academic proficiency. Credit granted by examination will be indicated on the student's transcript with a T (Credit by Examination). Credit by Examination is only available when duplication of a college-level course does not exist.

- High School students may earn credit through the Advanced Placement Program. Students must achieve scores of 3, 4, or 5 in order to qualify.
- Students intending to transfer should talk with the department chair at the four-year college or university they plan on attending about their AP policy. Some universities require a copy of the essay portion of your test plus a personal interview to determine the amount of credit to grant.
- Iowa Central Community College will grant the same number of credit hours that your four-year college will allow. This procedure eliminates the problem of Iowa Central awarding more semester credit hours per course than will be accepted by your university. Iowa Central does not charge a fee to put Advanced Placement Credits on transcripts.
- Note: No agreement for Advanced Placement exists between Iowa Central and the Regent Universities. Please check the Regent Universities' transfer policies well in advance of your transfer.
- AP exams are administered each May in many high schools. Check with your guidance counselor for more information, or write to College Board Midwestern Regional Office, Suite 401, 1800 Sherman Avenue, Evanston, Illinois, 60201-3715.
- To obtain your Advanced Placement transcript, please go to: <https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/home>

## Credit for Prior Learning (formerly Advanced Standing)

Iowa Central offers its students the opportunity to earn immediate college credit from prior learning experiences. Credit will be indicated on the student's transcript with an L. Credit for prior learning is only available when duplication of a college-level course does not exist.

Examinations are available for individual courses allowing students the opportunity to test out of courses in applied sciences and technologies programs. You may visit <http://catalog.iowacentral.edu> > **Academics > Advanced Placement, College Level Examination Program, and Credit for Prior Learning** for additional information. You may also contact your Program Coordinator for more information.

### Scheduling Information:

**Testing Center (Fort Dodge):** 515-574-1044 ([TestingCenter@iowacentral.edu](mailto:TestingCenter@iowacentral.edu))

**Testing Center (Storm Lake):** 515-574-1071 ([slarc@iowacentral.edu](mailto:slarc@iowacentral.edu))

### Contact Information:

**Registrar:** 515-574-1020

**Associate Vice President of Instruction:** 515-574-1284

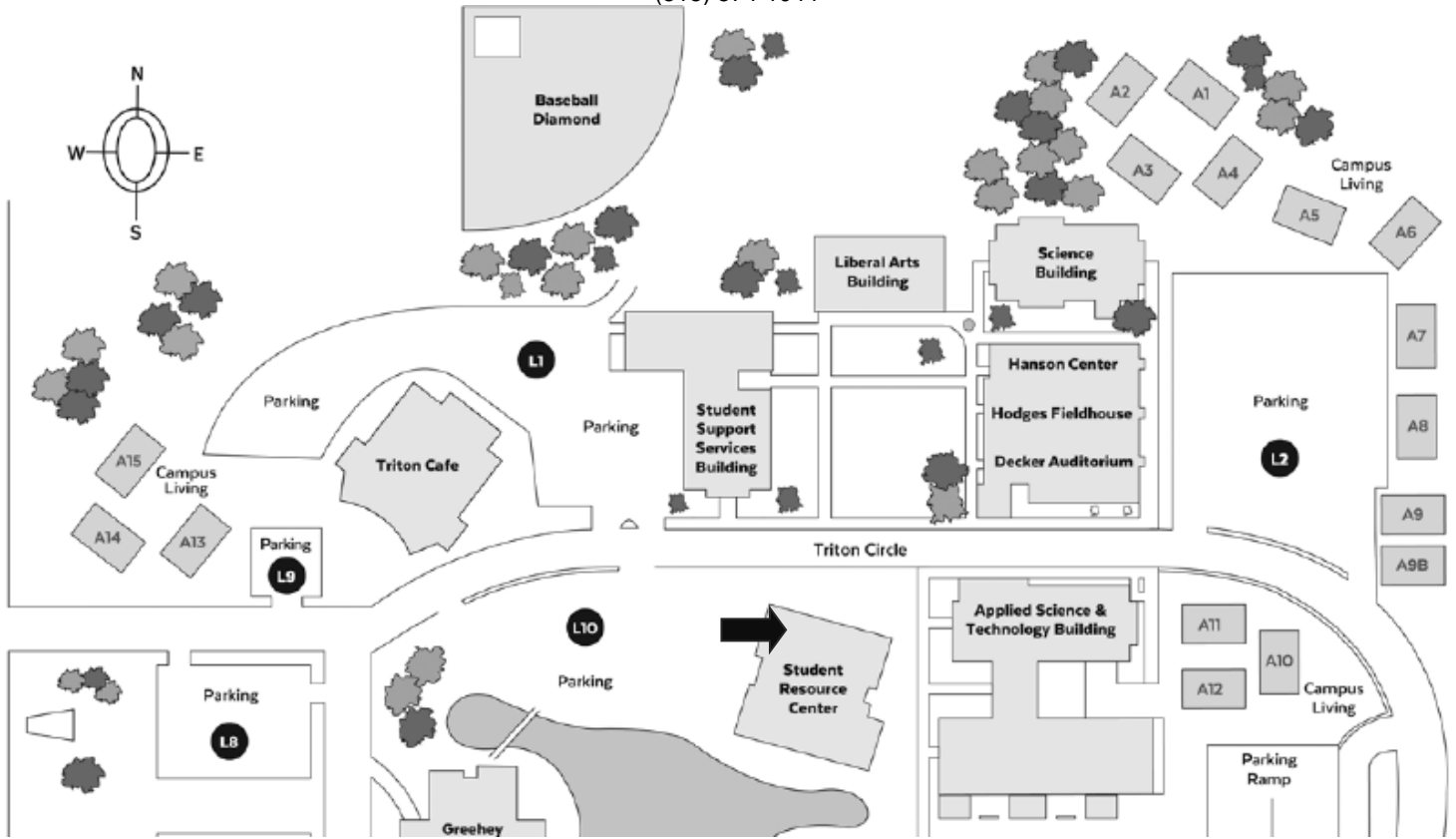
**Academic Dean:** 515-574-1245

**Academic Dean:** 515-574-1190

**Distance Learning Dean:** 515-574-1097

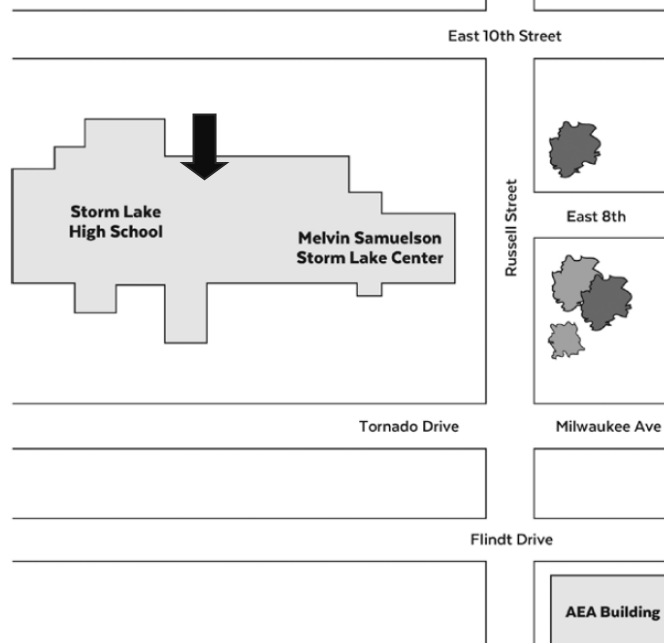
**The Fort Dodge Academic Resource Center is located within the Student Resource Center Building**

Testing Center  
 One Triton Circle, Fort Dodge, IA 50501  
 (515) 574-1044



**The Storm Lake Academic Resource Center is located at:**

916 North Russell Street  
 Room 19  
 Storm Lake, IA 50588  
 (515) 574-1071



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