CLEP Testing for your SMART Cookies
Today’s Agenda

What is CLEP?

CLEP Programs in High Schools

CLEP Test Preparation and Promotion

CLEP Exam Registration
BEST PRACTICE:
Always ask, “Can this student use the credit they might earn should they achieve a score of 50?”
What is CLEP?

College Level Exam Program

- Credit-by examination program that validates knowledge students already have and translates that learning into college credit that is commonly recognized
- More than seven million exams taken since 1967
- 1,900 CLEP test centers in the U.S. and beyond
- 2,900 colleges/universities grant credit for CLEP exams
- 170,000+ CLEP exams administered in 2016-17, including 25,000+ to high school students
- CLEP exam fee for 2017-18 school year is $85 (increasing to $87 July 1, 2018)
- Students must wait 3 months to retest
Structure & Scoring

**STRUCTURE**
- 33 computer based exams
- Mostly multiple choice, some have essays, and listening for world languages
- Most are approximately 90 minutes in length
- Freshman and Sophomore level credit awarded

**SCORING**
- Immediate score reports (with the exception of essays)
- CLEP is scored on a scale range of 20 – 80. A score of 50 is considered a passing score by ACE
CLEP Test Development

- All CLEP exams are accredited by American Council on Education (ACE)
- Standing faculty committees oversee ongoing test development, shape content, review data, set exam policies
- Nation-wide surveys of faculty conducted regularly
- More than 600 faculty contribute to the development of and standard-setting for CLEP examinations

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CLEP Exam Titles

History and Social Science
American Government
History of the United States I
History of the United States II
Human Growth and Development
Introduction to Educational Psychology
Principles of Macroeconomics
Principles of Microeconomics
Introduction to Psychology
Introduction to Sociology
Social Sciences and History
Western Civilization I
Western Civilization II

Business
Information Systems
Principles of Management
Financial Accounting
Introductory Business Law

Composition and Literature
American Literature
Analyzing and Interpreting Literature
College Composition
College Composition Modular
English Literature
Humanities

Science and Mathematics
Calculus
College Algebra
Precalculus
College Mathematics
Biology
Chemistry
Natural Sciences

World Languages
French Language
German Language
Spanish Language

33 CLEP Exam titles in 5 categories
## CLEP and AP

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<td>“24/7” exam administration</td>
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<td>Score range 20 – 80</td>
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<td>Focus on content knowledge equivalent to first-year college courses</td>
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<td>&gt;25% are high school students</td>
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High School students nationally had the largest volume growth in 2016-17 of 11.19%
How students found out about CLEP 2016-17

2nd Annual Cookout for CLEP at U of L-Red Barn
Highest Volume CLEP Exams

National Test Takers 2016-2017
Many high school students could benefit from CLEP

Consider:

- Students who are aspiring to go to college
- Students who scored well on a standardized exam
- Students who are fluent in Spanish, French, German
- Students in need of an admissions boost on their college application
- Students who were unavailable to test during the AP or IB testing window
- Students who missed a passing score in AP or IB in a comparable CLEP subject area
- Students who know what college(s) they will submit applications to and can research that institution’s CLEP policy
- Students who are seeking ways to make college more affordable
CLEP Programs in High Schools:

2nd Chance for AP:
- University of Louisville, Testing Services sends out email to students who missed credit on AP
- Orange County Public Schools (FL) does the same but includes a free, teacher led 4 day summer boot camp to teach gap areas before CLEP test.

Unique CLEP Courses:
- Teachers identify high school courses that have no AP curriculum or exam & students can travel to CLEP center for an exam.
Student passes CLEP & earns credit as 2\textsuperscript{nd} Chance at AP

More CLEP TESTimonials at http://louisville.edu/testing/testimonials
Online Resources

- U of L examinees testimonials at [www.louisville.edu/testing/testimonials](http://www.louisville.edu/testing/testimonials)
- Sample questions, list of free study materials
- E-guides (single exam, available for purchase at $10)
MODERN STATES

- Modern States is a non-profit organization committed to promoting “Freshman Year for Free”
  - Making college affordable
  - CLEP is a key strategy in their campaign

- CLEP exams have free corresponding courses
  - Fully on-line
  - No costs at all – including course materials
  - Self-paced

- Modern States pays CLEP exam fee for first 10,000 who complete a course

- Visit [www.modernstates.org/course](http://www.modernstates.org/course)
High School Students who want to take a CLEP test at U of L
Must register at www.louisville.edu/testing/CLEP-HS

REDUCED FEE ACCESS CODE:  UL25
Thank You!

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