

DANTES Subject Standardized Tests (DSST)

California University of PA

What are DSST Exams?

DSST (DANTES Subject Standardized Tests) provide an opportunity for people to obtain college credit for what they have learned in non-traditional ways. The DSST Program is made available by The Chauncey Group International and is used by adult education programs, the United States Department of Defense, two, and four-year colleges.

DSST Exams are a series of computer-based examinations with a 2-hour time limit. You can choose from over 30 exams. A brief description is provided for each exam in the attached brochure.

What you should do before taking a DSST Exam:

Enclosed is a list of the DSST exams, scores and course equivalents for Cal U.

You should speak with your academic advisor prior to taking an exam to ensure that the exam is accepted for your program of study.

Thirty (30) credits is the maximum a student can earn through DSST and/or CLEP.

Cost and Registration

Cost per exam is \$100 payable only by credit card (MasterCard, Visa, American Express).

Registration

To register for an exam contact Claire Pizer in Noss Hall Room 215 at (724) 938-5779 or pizer@calu.edu.

Examinees with disabilities:

- Reserve the right to decide when to self-identify and when to request accommodations.
- Will need to submit ADA Accommodations Request Packet to DSST for approval – packet available through the Placement Testing Center, pizer@calu.edu or (724) 938-5779.

Examinees are expected to adhere to the procedures for self-identifying, providing documentation and requesting accommodations in a timely manner.

Study Materials and Resources

Visit the website <http://getcollegecredit.com> to get information on the DSST exams. If you do not have access to a computer, you may stop in Room 215 of Noss Hall for fact sheets.

On the Day of Testing—You need to bring:

- One (1) form of government-issued photo ID including signature (Driver's License, Passport or Military ID).
- Payment by credit card only (MasterCard, Visa, American Express).
- *Institutional Score Report Recipient Code-If you are not a Cal U student please see the Institutional Score Report Code section below.

*Institutional Score Report Code

If you want to send your score report to an institution other than Cal U, you must obtain your Institutional Score Report Recipient Code prior to your test date. You can obtain this code at http://getcollegecredit.com/participating_institutions.html. If your institution is not listed, you must contact Thomson Prometric at (866) 794-3497 to obtain a code prior to your test date.

Life Experience Fee

Once you pass an exam, you will receive an email with a link to pay the Life Experience Fee. This fee of \$25 is a one-time fee to be paid to the University to have the credits placed onto your transcript. You may pay by credit card or electronic check.

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EXAMINATIONS

	Score	Credits	Cal U Course Equivalent
Business			
Business Ethics and Society	---	0	No Course Equivalent
Business Mathematics	400	3	ELC 162—Elective
Human Resource Management	400	3	MGT 162—Management Elective
Introduction to Business	400	3	BUS 100—Intro to Business
Management Information Systems	400	3	MGT 373—Computer-Based Mgmt Information Sys.
Money and Banking	400	3	ECO 304—Money and Banking
Organizational Behavior	400	3	MGT 301—Organizational Behavior
Personal Finance	400	3	FIN 304—Personal Finance
Principles of Finance	400	3	FIN 201—Intro to Finance
Principles of Supervision	---	0	No Course Equivalent
Technical Writing	400	3	ENG 211—Business Writing I or ENG 217—Scientific & Technical Writing
Composition			
Principles of Advanced English Comp.	400	3	ENG 102—English Composition II
History			
Civil War and Reconstruction	400	3	HIS 327—Civil War & Reconstruction
History of the Vietnam War	400	3	HIS 162—History Elective
History of the Soviet Union	---	0	No Course Equivalent
Humanities			
Art of the Western World	400	3	ART 162—Art Elective
Math and Computer Science			
Computing & Information Technology	---	0	No Course Equivalent
Fundamentals of College Algebra	400	3	MAT 181—College Algebra
Principles of Statistics	400	3	MAT 215— Statistics
Math for Liberal Arts	---	0	No Course Equivalent
Natural Science			
Astronomy	400	3	PHS 145—Astronomy
Environmental Science	400	3	ENS 101—Introduction to Environmental Science
Health & Human Development	400	3	NLC 162—Natural Sciences Elective
Introduction to Geography	400	3	GEO 162—Geography Elective
Introduction to Geology	---	0	No Course Equivalent
Social Science			
Criminal Justice	400	3	ELC 162—Elective
Ethics in America	400	3	PHI 220—Ethics
Ethics in Technology	---	0	No Course Equivalent
Foundations of Education	400	3	EDF 162—Educational Foundations Elective
Fundamentals of Counseling	400	3	ELC 162—Elective
Fundamentals of Cyber Security	400	3	JUS 405—Cyber Security
General Anthropology	400	3	ANT 100—Introduction to Anthropology
Introduction to Law Enforcement	400	3	ELC 162—Elective
Introduction to World Religions	400	3	PHI 200—World Religions
Lifespan Developmental Psychology	400	3	PSY 207—Developmental Psychology
Principles of Public Speaking	---	0	No Course Equivalent
Substance Abuse	400	3	ELC 162—Elective

The current scores and course equivalents are for the 2020-21 academic year.