



COLLEGE-LEVEL EXAMINATION PROGRAM (CLEP)

WHAT IS CLEP?

The College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) is a national testing program used by universities to give students a chance to earn credit for knowledge gained outside the traditional college classroom. When you earn the required American Council on Education (ACE) recommended score on a CLEP exam, you are granted the credit equivalent to that earned in a regular college course. CLEP is a 90-minute multiple-choice test (in most cases) taken **online at an official testing center**. The student requests that the score be mailed to University of Detroit Mercy.

HOW DOES CLEP CREDIT APPLY?

CLEP credit can be applied to your major, core requirements, or counted as electives toward the 120 credit hours required (in most programs) for your degree. The maximum number of credits which the University of Detroit Mercy will award through any type of examination is 63 credits toward a bachelor degree.

ARE THERE LIMITATIONS?

You cannot earn CLEP credits if you have already completed equivalent courses at Detroit Mercy or another institution or if you have completed more advanced courses in the same academic area. You cannot take a CLEP exam for a course failed at Detroit Mercy. Individual academic programs may limit CLEP credits counted toward your requirements for your major. CLEP credits cannot be applied to the residency requirement for graduation (last 30 credits) except with written permission from your

WHERE CAN I GET INFORMATION ABOUT THE TESTS?

CLEP has a website that provides basic information on the content of each test, as well as how to order and pay for test prep materials. Visit clep.collegeboard.org for more information and to find a testing center near you (Detroit Mercy is not a testing center). There is a fee for each test taken. Have your official score report mailed directly to Detroit Mercy.

Page two lists the CLEP exams for which we currently grant credit. For additional information on how a CLEP exam might meet a Detroit Mercy requirement, contact your academic advisor or Detroit Mercy Transfer Team at transferteam@udmercy.edu or 313-993-1940.

