Challenge Exams

Students that qualify to take a challenge exam are notified by Registrar’s Office through their official Mines email account. Eligibility is generally considered by achieving a certain score on the AP or IB exam. These students must be in their first two semesters at Mines to be eligible.

The following will disqualify a student from taking a challenge exam:

1. Denying AP or IB credit and attempting to take a challenge exam to receive credit.
2. Attempting to take a challenge exam to receive credit for a course they already have credit for.
3. Continuing students who are in their third or more semester.

Exams **cannot** be given to receive credit for upper-division courses. *Challenge Exams are by invitation only and an invite will be sent to your Mines email account should you qualify.*
Challenge exams are offered by Department discretion, and not every foundational course may have a challenge exam. Should a grade of “C” or better be achieved, a student will receive a “T” grade and transfer credit as viewable on their transcript.

Additional information is located in the catalog. Other questions regarding challenge exams should be directed to transfer@mines.edu.

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