Approved Catalog Policy for the Cambridge International Examination (CIE) Program:
(addition to the 2015-16 General Catalog):

The University of Arizona accepts Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) Advanced—
AS- and A-level—scores (as well as International Baccalaureate and Advanced Placement exam
scores) as a basis for awarding credit toward a degree. Students who complete CIE classes in
their high school may take CIE exams prior to coming to the University. Exams are administered
through Cambridge International at high schools each May.

CIE credit is considered credit by examination at the UA. Credit is determined from the CIE
credit table (TBD) that applies to the date when the exam was taken. Credits earned based on
the exam score may be counted toward the student’s major or minor fields of study or General
Education requirements. See the CIE credit table (TBD), and contact a UA academic advisor
to confirm course credit towards specific programs.

For more information about the Cambridge International Examination Programs visit the CIE
site.

Rationale:

- The Cambridge Examination Program is an internationally benchmarked system of core and
elective academic courses and curriculum-based exams that is used in 25 countries.
- Cambridge AS-level courses are usually offered in the first 2 years of high school, followed
by A-level courses in the last 2 years. The courses have proven to be sound preparation for
university studies.
- Cambridge AS- and A-level courses require students to demonstrate in-depth content
knowledge in a subject, as well as independent logical thinking, application of knowledge in
new situations, evaluation of various information sources, and reasoned decision-making.
- More and more Arizona high schools, including two in Tucson, have implemented Cambridge
AS- and A-level courses as their primary advanced program of study. High school juniors
and seniors are currently taking A-level courses in preparation for the appropriate Cambridge
examinations offered in May 2015.
- Many U.S. universities, including ASU and NAU, recognize Cambridge AS- and A-level
exams as a basis for awarding credit toward a degree.

Effective Term:

Fall 2015 for incoming freshmen (students in the 2015-16 Catalog)—after department faculty
members have evaluated the subject exams, determined minimum scores for credit, and
assigned UA course equivalencies.