

# choose AP<sup>®</sup>



get ready to...

Are you ready for a unique learning experience that will help you succeed in college? Each year, students around the world who want to learn and achieve at the highest level become AP® students. Through AP's college-level courses and exams, you can earn college credit and advanced placement, stand out in the college admissions process and learn from some of the most skilled, dedicated and inspiring teachers in the world.

# reach higher.

AP® helps you earn college credit and stand out in the college admissions process.

“AP classes were the best classes I took in high school. By doing well on my AP Exams, I was able to be placed into college courses that were a better fit for me.”

From the moment you enter an AP classroom, you'll notice the difference — in the teacher's approach to the subject, in the attitude of your classmates, in the way you start to think. That's because AP is more than just a class, it's a community of students and educators who are passionate, curious and committed to academic excellence. In AP classrooms, the focus is not on memorizing facts and figures. Instead, you'll engage in intense discussions, solve problems collaboratively and learn to write clearly and persuasively.

# learn differently.

In AP, you'll engage in intense discussions, solve problems collaboratively and learn to write clearly and persuasively.

“Regular classes were boring because they were too simple for me. AP courses are more challenging and let me show what I can do.”

Are you interested in art, history, languages, math or science? With more than 30 AP courses to choose from, including Chinese Language and Culture, Environmental Science and Psychology, you'll be able to explore your interests with other students who share your desire to learn. AP courses are developed by leading professors to reflect the level of learning happening at colleges throughout the country. In AP classes, you'll study fascinating topics and ideas that just might become the foundation of your future college major or career.

# find your passion.

Choose from more than 30 college-level AP courses in art, history, languages, math and science.

“AP classes allow me to learn at a higher level and to dive in depth into each subject.

My teachers treat the class like a college course rather than a high school class.”

It's no secret, AP courses are hard work. But, it's work that pays off. AP courses help you improve your writing skills, sharpen your problem-solving abilities and develop better study habits — skills that are vital to your success later in college. What's more, research shows that AP students are more likely to graduate from college in four years, which only 27 percent of students at U.S. public colleges achieve. The average price of college at these institutions comes to \$18,000 for each additional year a student takes to finish, showing why graduating on time is more important than ever before.

# imagine and succeed.

AP courses help you develop the key skills you need to succeed in college.

“AP gives me confidence going into college. I've already proved to myself that I can do the work.”

Challenging yourself by taking an AP course is a great beginning, but don't stop there. Each AP course concludes with a standardized exam written and scored by college professors and AP teachers, giving you the chance to show how well you've mastered college-level course work. Taking AP Exams is your opportunity to see how you stack up against other college-bound AP students around the world.

# challenge yourself.

AP Exams let you show how well you've mastered college-level course work.

"I take AP to be better prepared for college and to receive credit for the advanced work that I've been doing."

A successful grade on an AP Exam is a widely recognized sign of college-level achievement. In fact, more than 90 percent of four-year colleges in the United States and colleges in more than 60 other countries give students credit, advanced placement or both on the basis of AP Exam grades. By entering college with AP credits, you'll have the time to move into upper-level courses in your field of interest, pursue a double major or study abroad. Go to [www.collegeboard.com/ap/creditpolicy](http://www.collegeboard.com/ap/creditpolicy) to find out more about the AP policies of colleges that interest you.

# get the credit you deserve.

AP credit helps you design a college experience that suits you and gives you the flexibility to get the most out of your college years.

“Because of my AP credits, I had time for an amazing semester studying abroad in Italy and could still graduate from college in four years.”

### **The bottom line**

All motivated and academically prepared students deserve the opportunity to participate in the AP Program. Ultimately, it is a choice you make for yourself. AP courses can help you develop the time management skills and discipline you'll need to be successful in college. Choosing AP can help set you apart, give you a head start on your future and change the way you see yourself and the world.

### **Are you ready?**

Talk to your teacher or school counselor to find out more about the AP Program, the courses and exams available at your school, and how you can sign up today to get started.

**For more information, visit**  
[www.collegeboard.com/chooseAP](http://www.collegeboard.com/chooseAP).

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