



# Advanced Placement

The Advanced Placement Program (AP), is a program that enables students to pursue college-level studies while still in High School. Based on their performance on rigorous AP examinations, students can earn credit, advanced placement, or both for college/ university. The AP program allows High School students to take courses that are challenging, rigorous, and in-depth—exactly the kinds of courses they will face once in university.

Each AP course has one or more prerequisite courses. Careful planning of course sequencing is essential to ensure that AP course prerequisites are met before the last semester of grade 12.

AP courses are offered only in the second semester of every school year. WIC offers the following AP courses yearly:

- AP Calculus AB
- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics 2
- AP Psychology
- AP Macroeconomics\*
- AP Microeconomics\*
- AP European History
- AP English Literature & Composition
- AP French Language & Culture
- AP Physics 1

Students registered in these courses are automatically registered for the associated AP exam in May.

Many WIC students choose to prepare independently for AP exams in their grade 12 year. We support students in challenging these exams and provide them with the resources to help them prepare. We have supported WIC students in challenging the following AP exams:

- AP Art History
- AP Chinese Language & Culture
- AP Spanish Language & Culture
- AP World History: Modern
- AP English Language & Composition
- AP Environmental Science
- AP Human Geography
- AP Comparative Government & Politics
- AP Statistics
- AP Music Theory
- AP United States History

The AP Program provides senior students with the opportunity to earn college credit; however, this program offers students many additional benefits, such as:

- Outperforming their peers who have not taken AP courses on virtually every standard;
- Increase opportunity in university acceptance; and
- Being able to take double majors at university, study or travel abroad or pursue a combined Bachelor's and Master's program.

\*AP Microeconomics and AP Macroeconomics are no longer offered yearly but are offered in alternating years (ie. Year 1 - AP Macroeconomics, Year 2 - AP Microeconomics)