



4.72

GC's Average AP Calc BC

4.17

GC's Average AP Lit Score

4

GC's Average AP Human
Geography Score

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Our Advanced Placement Program offers 23 courses across all academic disciplines for students seeking rigorous, college-level coursework. The AP Program allows students to pursue a higher level of work and to earn college credit or advanced standing in the subject, depending on their AP exam score.

Do I have to apply to enroll in an Advanced Placement course?

No. Advisors discuss AP class selection with students during the course registration process. Placement is determined by previous academic coursework and accomplishments, as well as by the recommendations of the prerequisite course teachers.

At what grade level may I enroll in Advanced Placement courses?

Depending on ability and previous academic experience, a student can enroll in an AP course as early as the first year, although most students enroll during their Junior and Senior years.

Do I have to take Xaverian Honors (Pre-AP/IB) courses as prerequisites for Advanced Placement courses?

Xaverian Honors (Pre-AP/IB) courses offer the best preparation for AP courses. However, with proven academic achievement and recommendations from teachers in previous courses, students may enroll in AP courses.

Can I enroll in an Advanced Placement course and choose not to take the Advanced Placement exam in the spring?

No. All students enrolled in an AP course at Good Counsel are expected to take the corresponding AP exam in the spring.

How are Advanced Placement classes different from those in the International Baccalaureate Program?

The AP Program allows students to choose individual courses in accordance with their interests and strengths, whereas the IB Program is a two-year integrated course of study with required coursework in all areas. Students can elect to take individual IB classes without committing to the full IB program, helping them prepare with college-level courses at their own pace.

How are Advanced Placement classes different from College Preparatory classes?

In AP courses, students study more focused content areas in greater depth, and courses are geared toward preparing for AP exams.