

AP<sup>®</sup>

**An Introduction to the  
Advanced Placement Program<sup>®</sup>**



# What Are Advanced Placement<sup>®</sup> Courses?

# Advanced Placement<sup>®</sup> : The Basics

- AP<sup>®</sup> courses are college-level courses offered in high school
- Courses reflect what is taught in top introductory college courses
- Students take **AP Exams** at the end of the course, measuring their mastery of college-level work
- A score of 3 or higher on an AP Exam can typically earn students college credit and/or placement into advanced courses in college

# Our AP<sup>®</sup> Courses

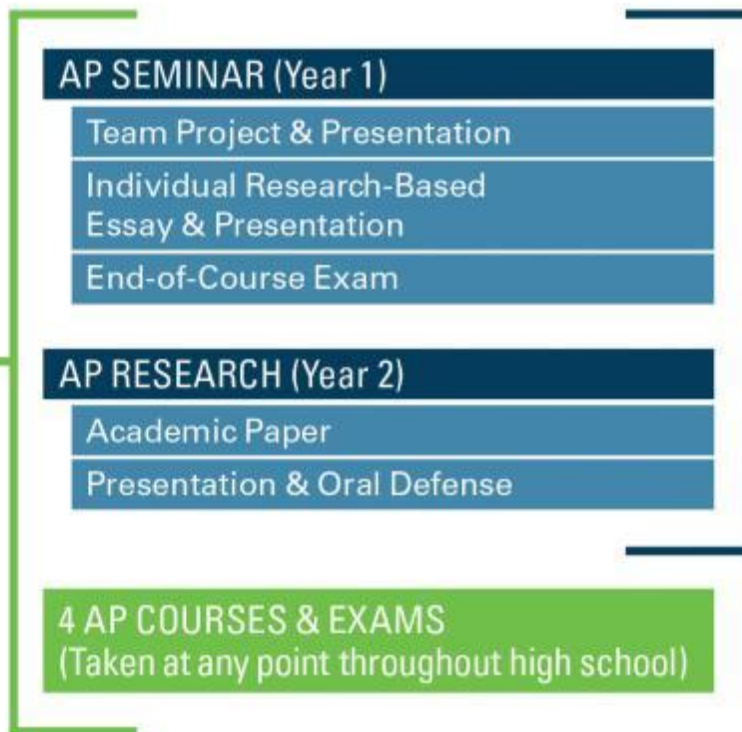
- **AP Capstone:** AP Seminar, AP Research
- **English:** English Language and Composition
- **History and Social Sciences:** Human Geography, United States Government and Politics, United States History, Macroeconomics, and Psychology
- **Math:** Calculus AB/BC
- **Sciences:** Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science
- **Art:** Art and Design

# The Pinnacle of Distinction – AP Capstone Diploma™

This challenging program helps students deepen their passion for learning, gives them greater confidence in their academic skills, and a broader perspective on their

**AP Capstone Diploma™**

Students who earn scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research and on four additional AP Exams will receive the **AP Capstone Diploma**.

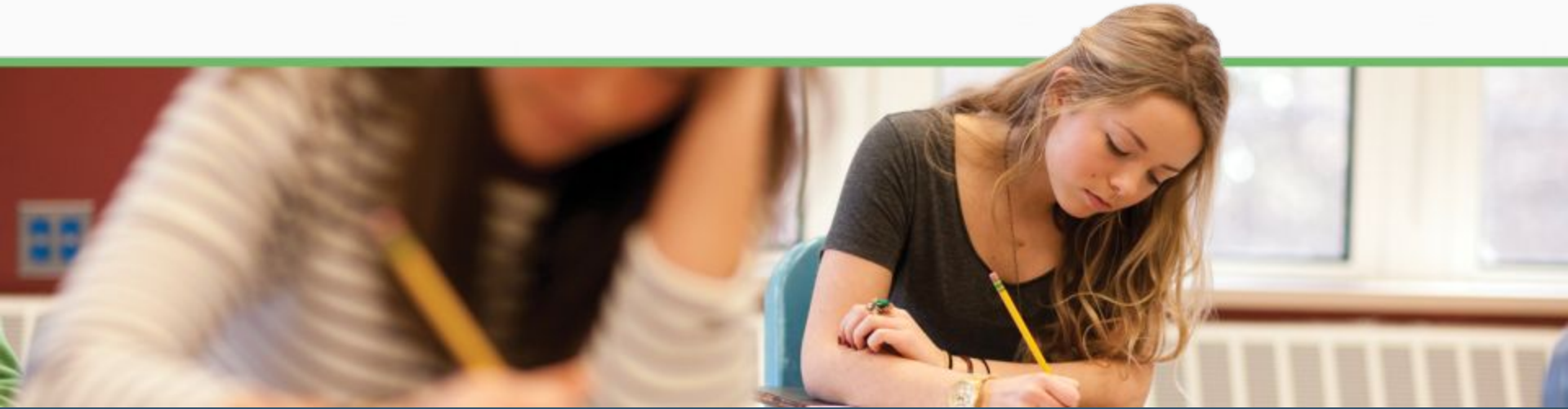


## AP Seminar and Research Certificate™

Students who earn scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research will receive the **AP Seminar and Research Certificate™**

# AP<sup>®</sup>: The Benefits

- Students learn rigorous college-level content and skills
- Taking AP is valued in the college admission process
- AP courses are interesting and rewarding academic experiences
- Opportunity to earn valuable credit and placement in college



# AP<sup>®</sup> Helps Students Graduate on Time & Save Money

- Students who take AP courses and exams are much more likely to complete a college degree on time.\*  
Graduating in four years represents a significant savings on the cost of college.
- Only 1 in 4 college students completes a bachelor's degree in 4 years.
- The average cost of college for a single year is \$23,410\*\* for in-state schools (tuition, fees, room/board, misc. expenses).

\*College Outcomes Comparisons by AP and Non-AP High School Experiences, *The College Board, 2008*

\*\**The College Board, Trends in College Pricing 2014, Figure 1*

# AP<sup>®</sup>: A More Engaging Learning Experience

AP courses challenge students to work and participate at a higher level:

- Opportunities to explore topics in depth
- More time in and out of the classroom required to complete assignments and projects
- High expectations for critical thinking, analysis, synthesis, evidence, multiple perspectives, and clear written and verbal communications



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AP<sup>®</sup> Exams

## Fall Registration



# AP Exam Fees for 2019-20: The base exam fee is not changing

	Description	Cost/Exam
Fall registration	Exam ordered by Nov. 15	\$94
Late registration	Ordered Nov. 16–Mar 13	\$94 + \$40 fee
Unused/ canceled exam	Exam that is canceled or not taken by the student	\$40 fee

- **What's new?** There will be a \$40 fee for late exam registrations and unused or canceled exams.

# AP<sup>®</sup> Exams

AP Exams are administered by schools worldwide on set dates in May each year.

- Exams are typically 2–3 hours and include:
  - Multiple-choice questions
  - Free-response items such as essays, problem solving, document-based questions and oral response



# 2020 AP EXAM SCHEDULE

WEEK 1	MORNING (8 AM)	AFTERNOON (12 PM)	AFTERNOON (2 PM)
<b>MONDAY, MAY 4</b>	UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT & POLITICS	PHYSICS C: MECHANICS	PHYSICS C: ELECTRICITY & MAGNETISM
<b>TUESDAY, MAY 5</b>	CALCULUS AB	GERMAN LANGUAGE & CULTURE	
	CALCULUS BC	HUMAN GEOGRAPHY	
<b>WEDNESDAY, MAY 6</b>	ENGLISH LITERATURE & COMPOSITION	EUROPEAN HISTORY	
		PHYSICS II: ALGEBRA-BASED	
<b>THURSDAY, MAY 7</b>	CHEMISTRY	JAPANESE LANGUAGE & CULTURE	
	SPANISH LITERATURE & CULTURE	PHYSICS I: ALGEBRA-BASED	
<b>FRIDAY, MAY 8</b>	UNITED STATES HISTORY	ART HISTORY	
		COMPUTER SCIENCE A	
	<b>STUDIO ART</b> —Last day for coordinators to submit digital portfolios (by 8 PM EDT) and to gather 2D design and drawing students for the physical portfolio assembly.		
Teachers should have forwarded students' completed digital portfolios to Coordinators before this date.			

WEEK 2

MORNING (8 AM)

AFTERNOON (12 PM)

**MONDAY,  
MAY 11**

BIOLOGY

CHINESE LANGUAGE  
& CULTURE

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

**TUESDAY,  
MAY 12**

SEMINAR

LATIN

SPANISH LANGUAGE  
& CULTURE

PSYCHOLOGY

**WEDNESDAY,  
MAY 13**

ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
& COMPOSITION

MICROECONOMICS

MUSIC THEORY

**THURSDAY,  
MAY 14**

COMPARATIVE  
GOV'T & POLITICSITALIAN LANGUAGE  
& CULTURE

WORLD HISTORY: MODERN

MACROECONOMICS

**FRIDAY,  
MAY 15**

COMPUTER SCIENCE PRINCIPLES

STATISTICS

FRENCH LANGUAGE  
& CULTURE

## Additional 5 Points

- Last year the state of Tennessee changed the policy regarding the additional 5 points students could earn.
- Students must now sit for the exam in order to earn the additional 5 points. The 5 points will be added to their cumulative grade.
- The 5 points is **not** dependent on the student passing the exam.

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# AP Classroom



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## AP Teachers

Powerful resources,  
empowering you



Unit Guides



Personal  
Progress  
Checks



AP Question  
Bank



Progress  
Dashboard

## Progress Dashboard



A progress dashboard highlights progress and areas of focus throughout the year.

## Interactive reports:

- Students can also use the tool to monitor their own progress



## AP Students



CollegeBoard

## Charting a Path to College Credit

- **Personalized feedback:**

Students will get personalized feedback through new digital tools that provide daily support for every AP classroom.

- **Insights on strengths and areas for growth:**

With the personal progress checks, teachers can identify content and skill areas where students are struggling and use the Question Bank to provide them with targeted practice opportunities.



# AP at Fulton

- Freshman Year: AP Human Geography
- Sophomore Year: AP Seminar, AP United States Government
- Junior Year AP United States History
- Senior Year: AP Macroeconomics, AP Research, AP Calc.
- Junior or Senior Year: AP Art and Design, AP Psychology, AP Environmental Science, AP Biology, AP Chemistry,

# Keep in the loop!

If you don't have a smartphone,  
get text notifications.

Text the message **@fultonap** to the  
number **81010**.

If you're having trouble with **81010**, try  
texting **@fultonap** to **(865) 238-2193**.

*\* Standard text message rates apply.*



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# Questions and Answers

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