

Advanced Placement



**CANADIAN
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SCHOOL**

AP

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What is Advanced Placement?

- The Advanced Placement Program (AP) enables willing and academically prepared students to pursue college-level studies while still in high school.
- Each AP course is modeled on a comparable introductory college course in the subject.
- Each course culminates in a standardized college-level assessment, or AP Exam, scheduled in the first two weeks of May.

Benefits of AP

STAND OUT ON UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS:

AP COURSES ON A STUDENT'S APPLICATION SHOWS THAT THEY'VE CHALLENGED THEMSELVES WITH THE MOST RIGOROUS COURSES AVAILABLE TO THEM, AND SUCCESS ON AN AP EXAM SHOWS THAT THEY'RE READY FOR COLLEGE-LEVEL COURSEWORK.

EARN COLLEGE CREDIT AND/OR EXEMPTION FROM INTRODUCTORY COURSES IN UNIVERSITY:

MOST FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES IN THE UNITED STATES—AS WELL AS MANY INSTITUTIONS IN MORE THAN 100 OTHER COUNTRIES—GRANT STUDENTS CREDIT, PLACEMENT, OR BOTH FOR QUALIFYING AP EXAM SCORES.

THE ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) ADVANTAGE

AP[®]

Global recognition

University-level courses taught in high school

Wide selection of courses

Augments existing Alberta curriculum

No additional fees or subscriptions

Students may use one or more AP courses for admissions or credit/placement

Students pay per-exam fee

Students can undertake online learning

AP Exam scores are sent directly to universities to confirm performance

Who Should Take AP at CIS?

- Students who enjoy an intellectual challenge
- Students who are organized and self motivated
- Students who are passionate about a specific subject area
- Students who are applying to competitive university programs

AP Programming at CIS

Began in 2019-20 :

AP Studio Art 2D and AP Calculus AB

In 2022-24, we offered and will continue to offer:

AP Drawing

AP French

AP Microeconomics

Grade 12 students in Biology 30 may take AP Biology

Grade 12 students in Chemistry 30 may take AP Chemistry

Grade 12 students in Math 31 may take AP Calculus AB

AP World History

This Year we are adding: Psychology, Art History, Music Theory

Full Course Descriptions Can be Found Here: <https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/courses>

AP Art: Drawing (Grade 10-12)

The AP Art and Design program offers three courses and AP Portfolio Exams—AP 2-D Art and Design, AP 3-D Art and Design, and AP Drawing—corresponding to college and university foundations courses. Students create a portfolio of work to demonstrate inquiry through the development of materials, processes, and ideas over the course of a year. Portfolios include original drawing, process documentation, and written information about the work presented. In May, students submit portfolios for evaluation based on specific criteria, which must include skillful synthesis of materials, processes, and ideas and sustained investigation through practice, experimentation, and revision, guided by questions. Students will be required to complete a number of works independently to complete their AP portfolios.



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AP Art History (Grade 10-12)

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- AP Art History offers a mix of art and history that's more than just memorizing dates and names. Spanning cultures across all continents and from prehistoric to contemporary times, in this course you'll explore the different social and cultural beliefs, political and economic systems, and scientific and technological advancements that have led to the creation of well-known sculptures, paintings, buildings, and many other types of art.

AP French (Grade 10-12)

This course will be conducted almost exclusively in French, so students are required to communicate with the teacher in French. Students can expect extension activities on their regular French 20 assessments, and/or activities assigned on the AP platform. If AP French students are enrolled in CIS French courses, activities assigned on the AP platform will not affect the student's school-awarded French mark. There will be scheduled meeting times outside of class, to be determined collaboratively by Mme Amany and the AP French students.

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AP Microeconomics (Grades 10-12)

Have you ever wondered why prices fluctuate for online retailers depending on the time and day? Or why people say, “time is money”? In AP Microeconomics, you’ll explore the answers to these questions as you learn the principles of economics that govern the actions of individuals and businesses. You’ll also explore concepts such as supply and demand, elasticity, and market structures to gain a deeper understanding of how economic decisions shape our world.

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AP World History (Grades 10-12)

- The AP World History course is an in-depth exploration of human history, spanning various time periods and regions worldwide. It covers key historical concepts such as cultural diffusion, trade, politics, and social structures. Students develop critical thinking and analytical skills, examining primary and secondary sources, constructing historical arguments, and honing essay-writing abilities. The course emphasizes a global perspective, ensuring students recognize the contributions of diverse civilizations and cultures throughout history. It's divided into distinct periods, allowing students to understand how societies have evolved over time. The culmination of the course is the AP World History exam, which, if passed, can earn students college credit, making it a valuable educational opportunity.

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AP Psychology (Grades 10-12)

Have you ever wondered why you act a certain way around different people? Or how your family and society influence your behaviors? In AP Psychology, you'll learn the foundational concepts that detail how and why people think and behave the way they do.

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AP Music Theory: (Grades 10-12)

Deepen your ability to recognize and describe the elements and processes of music. In AP Music Theory, you'll advance your understanding of how music works by listening to a wide variety of music, reading musical scores, writing music, and singing.

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AP Biology – Grade 12's Only

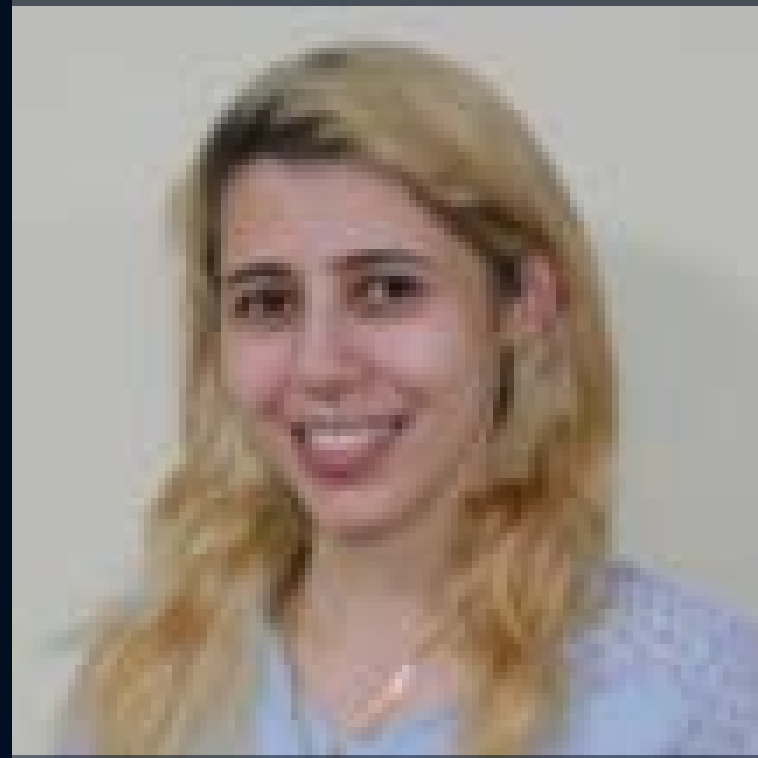
Students will cover a portion of AP content in regular Biology 30 classes. Students will also be given access to online AP resources and a general outline to follow for independent study. All students will be provided with notes, resources, and teacher support in a designated AP Microsoft Team. It is each student's responsibility to keep up with coursework. There will be instructional meetings scheduled during the school year. These are mandatory study sessions which allow the teacher to monitor student understanding and progress.

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AP CALCULUS AB – Grade 12's Only

AP Calculus AB is structured around three BIG IDEAS: Limits, Derivatives, and Integrals and the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus. AP Calculus BC explores these ideas in additional contexts and also adds the big idea of Series. This class is based heavily on reading comprehension (know what a problem is asking), not just a student's ability to solve a problem. In keeping with maintaining a balance between concepts, modelling, and skills, Calculus ideas are presented graphically, numerically, symbolically, and verbally (the Rule of Four). Instruction will take place primarily as enrichment during Math 31 class time; however, students will be required to study and work outside class time to be successful on the AP Exam in May.



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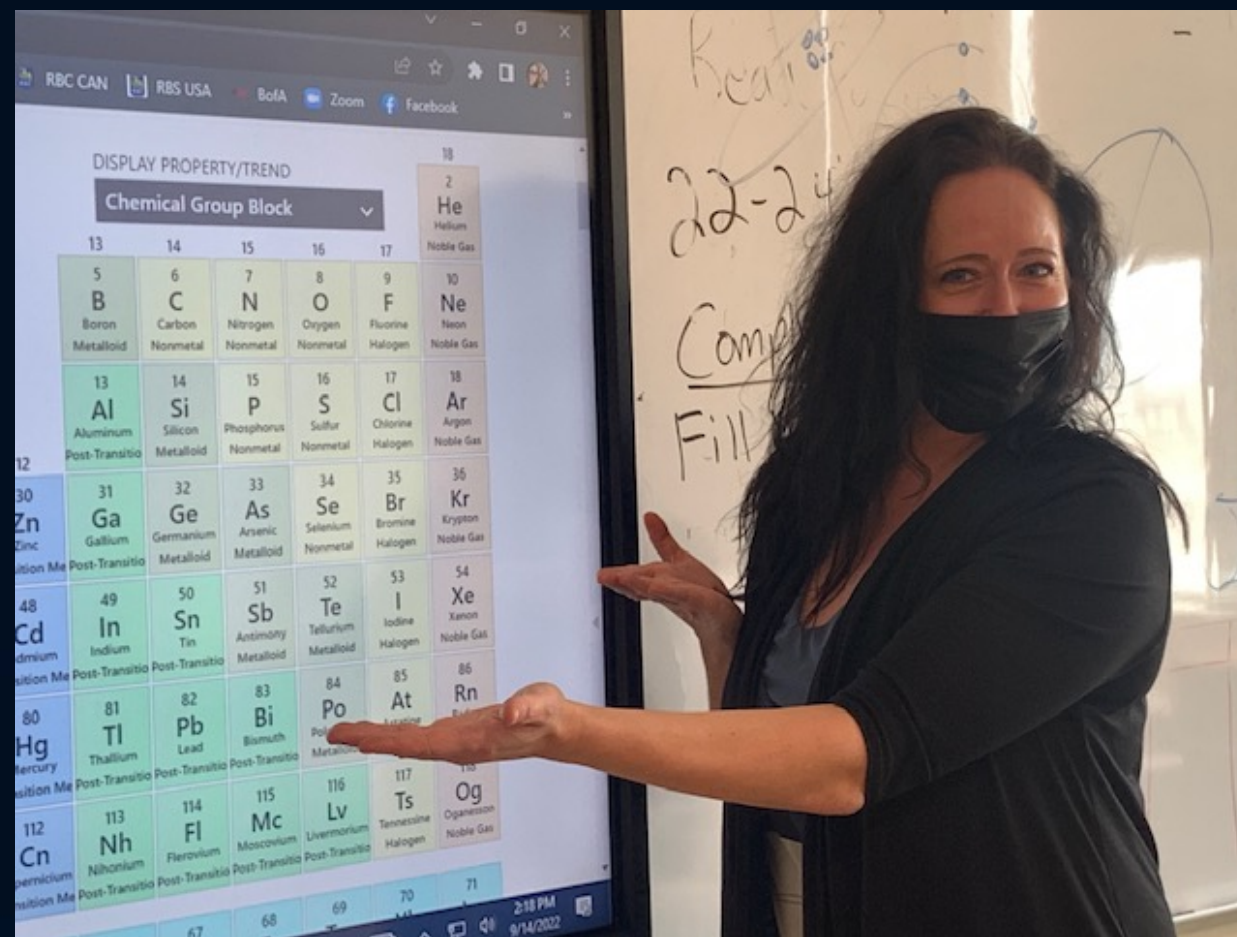
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AP Chemistry – Grade 12's Only

Students will cover a portion of AP content in regular Chemistry 30 classes. Students will also be given access to online AP resources and a general outline to follow for independent study. All students will be provided with notes, resources, and teacher support in a designated AP team. It is each student's responsibility to keep up with coursework. There will be instructional meetings scheduled during the school year. These are mandatory study sessions which allow the teacher to monitor student understanding and progress.

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How Does AP Work at CIS?

Alberta Curriculum:

Students attend class and complete class work. Some Albert and AP curriculum Cross over.

Course marks on report cards and transcripts are determined by completion of class activities and assessments of Alberta curriculum only.

AP as Enrichment:

Teachers provide AP curriculum through enrichment and extension activities in class.

Teachers provide access to AP resources and monitor student progress in AP content through Teams and "AP Classroom."

Teachers provide opportunities for skill practice and feedback in preparation for the AP Exam in May.

The Opportunity to study subjects that students are passionate about and develop deeper knowledge in preparation for higher level study.

- AP students learn essential time management and study skills needed for college and career success.
- They dig deeper into subjects that interest them and learn to tap into their creativity and problem-solving skills to address course challenges.
- Research shows that students who receive a score of 3 or higher on AP Exams typically experience greater academic success in college and have higher graduation rates than their non-AP peers.

AP Exams: May 2025

- Practice Exams available at <https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/courses>
- This is the ONLY formal assessment for AP Courses
- Written in person at CIS in keeping with North American times (TBD)

AP Art: Portfolios due Friday, May 9

AP Biology: May 5

AP Chemistry: May 6

AP Calculus AB: May 12

AP French Language and Culture: May 13

AP Microeconomics: May 5

AP World History: May 8

AP Art History: May 15

AP Psychology: May 16

AP Music Theory: May 12

What AP Exam Scores mean

- Scored out of 5.
- Scores of 3 and higher may be eligible for university course exemptions or credit.
- Scores released in July.
- Grade 12 students can list universities they are applying to and their results will be sent directly to students' universities of choice.

AP Exam Score	Recommendation	College Course Grade Equivalent
5	Extremely well qualified	A+ or A
4	Very well qualified	A-, B+, or B
3	Qualified	B-, C+, or C
2	Possibly qualified	---
1	No recommendation	---

Recognized by Universities Worldwide, AP is a global credential.

Universities around the world recognize AP when making admission decisions, course requisites, and awarding university credit.

Qualifying AP Exam scores earn university credit in nearly all universities in the United States and Canada and are recognized in 60 other countries worldwide. Scores of 3 or 4 on AP Exams fulfill admission requirements in many universities in UK and Europe.

Each college and university determines its own policies regarding AP Exam scores. For detailed information about the AP recognition policies of universities, use the searches below:

- [Global: Search AP credit policies](#)
- [Outside the U.S.: Search AP recognition policies \(admissions, credit/placement, and scholarship considerations\)](#)

Student Chooses AP

- Pay Exam Fee by Sept. 30
- Student creates AP Account to access official AP resources and online tools
- Access available resources

Student Studies AP

- Engage with enrichment of classwork
- Engage with online AP resources
- Access support of AP teacher
- Grade 12: Complete list of universities in AP Student Account; include AP course(s) in post-secondary applications.

University Acceptance

- Write AP Exam
- Results released July
- Grade 12: College Board sends AP scores to universities in July 2022

QUESTIONS?