

Who develops and evaluates the AP examinations?

AP examinations are set and marked each year by committees comprised of university professors and experienced secondary school teachers. These committees are assisted by test development specialists from the Educational Testing Society.

AP at the University Level

Post secondary institutions in 125 countries use AP grades; 90% of the universities in Canada and the United States offer university or college credit and/or advanced placement for successful AP scores. The chart below summarizes a sampling of the university policies at this time. (See the university and college web sites for the latest information. Contact Admissions/Faculty for specific course numbers and credits.)

University of Ottawa: Up to 30 credits may be granted for AP courses, provided the student obtains a minimum score of four in each subject.

Calculus AB and BC	MAT 1320	3 credits
English Literature	elective	3 credits
European History	HIS 1120	3 credits
French Language	FLS 2521	3 credits
Music Theory	MUS 1	3 credits
Latin	LCLI	3 credits
Statistics	MAT 1372	3 credits

Carleton University: AP students with a minimum grade of four will be eligible to receive university credit to a maximum of three semester credits, subject to the discretion of the appropriate faculty.

Queen's University: Credits are given for some AP Courses and the minimum standing for credit is four or better.

McGill University: Credits are given for AP courses in all disciplines and the minimum standing for credit is four or better.

University of Toronto: Credits are given for most AP courses and the minimum standing for credit is four. A maximum of 5.0 full credits (1 year) may be awarded.

Information on AP @ www.ap.ca and @ www.collegeboard.com

Advanced Placement Program at Lisgar Collegiate Institute

The international Advanced Placement program offers students the opportunity to pursue university-level studies while still in secondary school and to receive advanced placement and possible credit in university. Approximately 200 high schools in Ontario have AP programs, with a further 350 across Canada. Students demonstrate that they have mastered the material by taking international AP examinations in May. The students must also write the "regular" January/June Ontario exams as required. The AP subject curriculum may be delivered as a congregated class, a combined class, or mentored as an independent study. The type of delivery is determined by the school administration and is subject to enrollment and staffing. Lisgar offers the AP program in certain courses. Students might be screened/interviewed in courses that are oversubscribed.

Benefits of the Advanced Placement Program

- The opportunity to improve and broaden your academic skills.
This will give you the confidence to enter university knowing that you are prepared to meet the academic expectations.
- You may be exempted by your university from certain first year courses.
This will allow you to gain access to courses for which you now have the first-year prerequisite.
- There may be some tuition savings at your university.
- This program provides the opportunity to measure yourself against the best students on a national and international basis. This comparison could improve your profile on scholarship applications.

Who should consider the AP?

Students* who have demonstrated academic achievement, academic integrity, commitment to school and a strong work ethic. Students must have permission of the appropriate department head or present subject teacher in order to participate in the program.

*Note the pre-AP course prerequisites as indicated on page 2.

Who receives the Advanced Placement Results?

In July, the Collegeboard sends AP exam results directly to each student, to the home school, and, to any university or college designated by the student at the time of writing the exam. Students have the option of cancelling or withholding an AP exam mark. Exams are marked on a scale of 1 to 5 (5 is the high end).

Course Offerings in Lisgar's International Advanced Placement Program

CALCULUS: Students who have completed grade 11 Math (MCR3U/UG) in 2010-11, and who enrol in grade 12 MHF4UR in semester one (September **2011**) and MCV4UR in semester two (February **2012**), will be prepared to write an AP exam in Calculus AB in May **2012**. Students must purchase a textbook and an approved graphing calculator for this course.

CHEMISTRY: Students who are interested in working towards writing an AP exam in Chemistry in May 2013 should speak with Dr. Magwood when they are enrolled in grade 11 Chemistry. Note that this would entail a two year independent study outside of class time.

ENGLISH:

AP Literature and Language (ENG4UR) fulfills the requirement for the compulsory ENG4U credit needed to achieve the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) while also preparing students to write the AP Literature Exam. This course is intended for highly motivated students in their Grade 12 year who have a keen interest and aptitude for the study of English Literature. Students should have achieved honours in ENG3U/UG. AP Literature students are evaluated on the ENG4U Achievement Chart set by the Ontario Ministry of Education and will write the ENG4U District-wide exam. Students should be prepared to attend additional practice sessions in April, prior to the **AP Literature** Exam in May 2012.

AP Language and Composition (EWC4UR) is one of three optional English courses offered at Lisgar, and it is recommended to Grade 11 or 12 students who are highly motivated and have a keen interest in and aptitude for the art of writing. ENG3U/UG is the prerequisite for this course. EWC4UR may be offered in the second semester to allow students the opportunity to complete the prerequisite first semester. Students should have achieved honours in ENG3U/UG. Students will write the **AP Language and Composition** exam in May 2012.

FRENCH: Students enrolled in the grade 11 Extended French (FEF3UH) course prepare to write the **French Language AP** exam in May 2012. A workbook and language lab fees may be required.

HISTORY: The grade 12 AP History course is The West and The World (CHY4UR). Students will be prepared to write the **AP European History** exam in May 2012.** The course is taught in Semester 1; students will participate in regularly held seminars throughout Semester 2. **Students are strongly advised to take CHW3M. Preference will be given to students who have completed the grade 11 course World Civilizations (CHW3M).

LATIN: Students who have completed LVLAD, LVLBU, LVLCU and who enrol in the mentorship group with Mr. Derry in September 2011(not for OSSD credit) will be prepared to write **AP Latin Vergil** in May 2012. Students meet once a week after school throughout the school year.

MUSIC: AP Music Theory is offered to students who have excelled in the regular music program at Lisgar or who have achieved a high level of musical competence in private music studies. Lisgar music courses are designed to prepare students for the AP curriculum. Students enrolled in AMS4MR or AMU4MR will study dictation, ear training, sight singing, and analysis. The **AP Music Theory** exam will take place in May 2012.

SPANISH: A mentorship in **AP Spanish Literature** (not for OSSD credit) is available to students who have achieved a very high level of proficiency in Spanish Language. It will provide students with a learning experience equivalent to that of a third-year course in Peninsular and Latin American literature. The course is designed to introduce students to the formal study of a representative body of Peninsular and Latin American literary texts. Students meet once a week after school throughout the school year. Students must purchase a manual, a dictionary and other texts.

STATISTICS: An enriched Math for Data Management course (MDM4UR) will prepare students to write the **AP Statistics** exam in May 2012. MCR3U/UG/U2 or MCF3M is the prerequisite for this AP. Students are strongly advised to take the grade 11 university math. MDM4UR may be offered in the second semester to allow applicants to complete the grade 11 prerequisite first.

FEES: The AP fee is due by the end of the first month of the semester in which the classroom component is taught. (i.e.: September 30th or February 28th.) The current fee is \$125.00 for each course. Students who decide not to write an AP exam must notify Lisgar's Student Service office, in writing, by March 5th. A partial refund of up to \$100.00 will be issued in June. All AP exams are written in May. Students will also write the regularly scheduled exam at the end of the semester and must meet the requirements of the Ontario curriculum in order to earn a credit toward the secondary school diploma (OSSD).

NOTE: There may be additional costs for materials in some courses. All AP course offerings are subject to enrollment and staffing. Availability will be reviewed on a yearly basis.

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