

FREE COLLEGE CREDIT COURTESY OF GLENDALE UNION

Are you ready for a unique learning experience that will help you succeed in college? Through Advanced Placement's (AP) college-level courses and exams, you can earn college credit, stand out in the college admission process, and learn from some of the most skilled, dedicated, and inspiring teachers in the world.

Challenge Yourself

From the moment you enter an AP classroom, you'll notice the intensified rigor. You'll engage in intense discussions, solve problems collaboratively, and learn to write clearly and persuasively.

Find Your Passion

With numerous courses to choose from, you will explore your interests and discover new passions. In AP classes, you'll study fascinating topics and ideas that just might become the foundation of your future college major or career.

Prepare to Succeed in College

AP courses can help you acquire the skills and habits you will need to be successful in college. You'll improve your writing skills, sharpen your problem-solving abilities, and develop time-management skills, discipline, and study habits.

Earn College Credit

Most four-year colleges in the United States and colleges in more than 60 other countries give students credit on the basis of AP Exam scores. By entering college with AP credits, you will have the time to move into upper level courses, and pursue a double major or study abroad.

Glendale Union High School District pays for AP exams, saving parents \$87 on each test.

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Independence High School
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Glendale, AZ 85303
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Moon Valley High School
3625 W. Cactus Rd.
Phoenix, AZ 85029
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Sunnyslope High School
35 W. Dunlap Ave.
Phoenix, AZ 85021
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Educating both the Phoenix and Glendale communities since 1911

Advanced Placement versus International Baccalaureate

IS THERE A DIFFERENCE?

Both Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) programs are rigorous and immediately convey credibility to the top universities.

AP versus IB	AP	IB
Offers a prestigious program based on rigorous curriculum that prepares students for college-level work	X	X
Allows students to earn college credit for courses taken during high school	X	X
Attracts the attention of international universities	X	X
Requires research, critical thinking, and writing	X	X
Offers an international diploma for students planning to study at universities outside the country	X	X
Allows students to select classes based on their interests	X	
Conducts annual evaluative research on its courses and program	X	
Saves GUHSD parents money *	X	

**IB program examination fees are \$700.
AP exams cost \$87 each.*

Glendale Union High School District pays for each student's AP examination, resulting in no cost to the parent.

Research shows that AP students are more likely to graduate from college in four years. Students who take longer to graduate at public colleges and universities can spend up to \$19,000 for each additional year.

Typical Honors/AP Schedule

FRESHMAN YEAR

Honors English 1-2
Honors Algebra/Geometry
Honors Thinking Science or Honors Biology
Physical Education
Foreign Language 1-2 or Elective of your choice

JUNIOR YEAR

Honors English 5-6
Honors Pre-Calculus
AP Biology
AP U.S. History
Honors Foreign Language 5-6 or Elective of your choice
Additional Elective

SOPHOMORE YEAR

Honors English 3-4
Honors Algebra 2
Honors Chemistry
AP World History
Foreign Language 3-4 or Elective of your choice
Additional Elective

SENIOR YEAR

AP English
AP Calculus (AB or BC)
AP Physics or Honors Physics
AP Government
AP Foreign Language or Elective of your choice
Additional Elective

Honors Diploma

The Honors Diploma requires a student to earn 24 credits and successfully complete six Honors/AP courses. Four of the six courses must be completed during the student's junior and senior years. The student must maintain a 3.0 Core Point Average (CPA) or rank in the top 25% of his/her class and "exceed" on at least two of the AIMS exams. Students completing these requirements will earn a "Standard of Excellence" seal on their diploma.

Honors Diploma Course/Credit Requirements

Language Arts	4	Foreign Language	2
Mathematics	4	Fine Arts	1
Science	3	Physical Education	1
Social Studies	3	Electives	6

Dual Enrollment

Earn College Credit

While Still in High School

Dual enrollment allows students the opportunity to earn college credit while completing high school requirements. The program is offered through many AP and Career and Technical Education (CTE) classes.

Save More Than \$45,000 in Tuition

When You Choose GUHSD Dual Enrollment

A total of 62 college credits could cost \$67,518 at an out-of-state university. At an in-state school like Arizona State University, those credits could cost \$50,344. Through GUHSD dual enrollment, those credits would only cost \$4,712.

Dual Enrollment

Core Classes Possible Credit

AP English	6
AP Calculus	5
Honors Pre-Calculus	5
College Algebra	4
Statistics	3
AP Physics	8
AP Biology	8
AP Government	6
AP U.S. History	6
AP Foreign Language	8
Honors Foreign Language	8

