

Sheldon-Williams Collegiate

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) PROGRAM



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STUDENT TRANSCRIPTS

Students enrolled in AP courses are encouraged to write AP exams/submit AP portfolios. The mark attained having written AP exams/submitted AP portfolios will not affect the mark that appears on students' transcripts. However, upon successful completion of the AP course, the mark that appears on students' transcripts will include AP designation.

Further to this, it is important to note that the mark attained having written AP exams/submitted AP portfolios through course challenge will not appear on students' transcripts.

POST-SECONDARY CREDIT

Students who write AP exams/submit AP portfolios have the potential to earn post-secondary credit for first year courses. Most universities in Canada and the United States grant credit to students earning a score of 4 or 5 with a few universities in the United States granting credit to students earning a score of 3.

The process of universities granting credit applies to AP courses offered through schedule, course challenge, and mentorship and challenge.

REGISTRATION

Students planning to enrol in AP courses offered through schedule at Sheldon-Williams are asked to follow the recommended educational plan outlined in this brochure and select courses as appropriate on the Sheldon-Williams registration form.

Students planning to challenge an AP course are asked to notify the school's AP Coordinator, Mr. Balas prior to the end of January. Students planning to challenge a course and who wish to access mentorship are asked to notify the AP Coordinator as early in the school year as possible. In either case, once notified, the AP Coordinator will advise students of next steps.

Before submitting a completed registration form, students should consult with their Advisory Teacher and/or the Guidance Counsellor regarding their overall education plan. Students should also discuss their overall education plan with their parent(s) and/or guardian(s).

EXAM FEES & SCHEDULE

AP exams /AP portfolio submissions are developed by the AP College Board. The cost for each AP exam/AP portfolio submission is \$92 (USD). This fee is paid by Regina Public Schools. It is expected that students in AP Programs will write the corresponding exam.

AN OVERVIEW:

WHAT IS AP?

AP is an internationally recognized enrichment opportunity that offers academic rigor, university prep, and potential university credit. Students that enroll in AP courses study Saskatchewan Ministry of Education learning outcomes aligned and supplemented with AP learning outcomes.

WHO IS AP DESIGNED FOR?

AP is open to all students in Regina Public Schools.

To be successful in AP, students should

- enjoy challenge and commit the time and effort required to complete accelerated courses
- find learning stimulating and have interest in selected courses of study
- have a well-developed work ethic and be self-disciplined and self-motivated to achieve.

WHY TAKE AP?

Students enrolled in AP courses are provided the opportunity to concentrate on areas of passion; focus on skills and abilities; sharpen study habits, reading and writing skills, and problem-solving abilities; build confidence; and study first year post-secondary level course work. Once enrolled, students are encouraged to write AP exams/submit AP portfolios, with the potential of earning post-secondary credit. Regardless of whether AP exams are written/AP portfolios submitted, students are provided support to explore future possibilities, plan for career choices, gain experience to support post-secondary success, and, in turn, stand out in post-secondary admission processes.

AP COURSES OFFERED

THROUGH SCHEDULE

Students are able to enrol in one, or any combination of, AP courses offered through schedule provided they have completed prerequisite courses. The AP courses offered through schedule at Sheldon-Williams are listed below.

For each AP course listed, an educational plan outlining prerequisite courses and course completion timeline has been provided.

AP Calculus AB

Grade 9: Mathematics 9

Grade 10: Foundations of Mathematics and Pre-Calculus 10 & Foundations of Mathematics 20

Grade 11: Pre-Calculus 20 & Pre-Calculus 30

Grade 12: AP Calculus 30 (year long course - 1 credit only)

** Possible AP candidates identified during Grade 9*

AP English Literature and Composition

Grade 9: English Language Arts 9

Grade 10: English Language Arts A10 & English Language Arts B10

Grade 11: English Language Arts 20 & Communications 20

Grade 12: English Language Arts A30 & AP English Language Arts B30

** Possible AP candidates identified during Grade 9*

AP Psychology

Grade 11 or 12: Psychology 20 & AP Psychology 30

AP Studio Art (2-D Design and Drawing)

Grade 9: Arts Education 9

Grade 10: Visual Art 10

Grade 11: Visual Art 20

Grade 12: AP Visual Art 30 & Visual Art 30L

** Possible AP candidates identified during Grade 9 & 10*

** Students compose AP portfolios during Grades 11 & 12*

AP COURSE OFFERED

THROUGH CHALLENGE AND MENTORSHIP

Students are also able to challenge one, or any combination of, AP courses offered through the AP College Board provided they prepare independently. AP courses students may wish to challenge are listed below.

In some cases, the AP courses students are able to challenge are offered through mentorship which involves teachers providing support to students as students prepare for course challenges. The AP courses for which mentorship is offered at Sheldon-Williams are also listed with mentorship availability indicated below.

For each AP course listed, an educational plan outlining prerequisites and course completion timeline has been provided.

AP French Language and Culture

Students who have successfully completed Core French 10, 20, and 30 or who are enrolled in French Immersion are encouraged to challenge the AP exam.

AP Music Theory

Students who have successfully completed music theory courses, such as courses offered through the Royal Conservatory of Music, are encouraged to challenge the AP exam.

**mentorship available*