

## **Advanced Placement Preparation for University**

Nancy Campbell Collegiate Institute (NCCI) is pleased to announce that it will be offering preparation for Advanced Placement® (AP®) exams at its private international day and boarding high school in London, Ontario, Canada.

A registered participating member of the Advanced Placement Program® sponsored by the College Board, NCCI is running these courses for highly motivated students seeking credit, advanced standing and/or sophomore standing at universities or colleges in Canada, the United States and other countries.

Qualified students can sign up for any number of AP exams, depending on schedules and sufficient student numbers.

### **Participating Universities**

Students who have successfully completed the AP Exams can receive credit and/or advanced standing from over 50 universities and colleges in Canada, from over 90% of colleges and universities in the United States, as well as from many other international universities and colleges. For a list of participating Canadian universities and their AP policies, visit [www.ap.ca](http://www.ap.ca).

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The AP (preparation exams) are designed to meet the requirements of either 1- or 2-semester introductory courses at universities/colleges in small class size settings. What follows is a list of exam preparations being offered by NCCI and their typical university/college semester equivalencies.

<b>Social Sciences and Humanities</b>	<b>Semesters</b>	<b>Sciences and Math</b>	<b>Semesters</b>
Economics	1—2	Biology	1—2
English Literature and Composition	1—2	Calculus	1—2
Government & Politics—United States	1	Chemistry	1—2
Government & Politics—Comparative	1	Environmental Science	1
History—World	1—2	Physics	1—2
Human Geography	1	Statistics	1
Psychology	1		

One AP exam preparation at NCCI is either 14 weeks (1 semester, or 12 weeks of classes plus 2 weeks for review and exams) or 28 weeks (2 semesters) in duration, are 4—5 hours per week, and run September 7—December 10, and January 10—April 29 in the second semester including a 2-week March Break. Orientation takes place once every two weeks or as required by the AP students. The official AP exams are held at NCCI during the first two weeks of May every year.

For more information on the AP Program, please visit the Advanced Placement Student Page at [www.collegeboard.com/ap/students](http://www.collegeboard.com/ap/students).

### **The Benefits of AP\***

There are numerous benefits to be gained from taking AP, some of which are described below. Remember that you risk nothing by taking the AP Exam, since you determine which colleges, if any, will receive your grade.

- ***You'll improve your chances of getting into a competitive college . . .***

Students who take AP preparation for exams are more knowledgeable about the demands of college work. Colleges and universities recognize that applicants with AP experience are much better prepared for the demands of college courses. Admissions officers are well aware of the difficulty of AP courses and exams, and sending them your AP Exam grades can only be a positive step toward potential admission into competitive colleges.

- **AP prepares you for college work . . .**

AP preparation and exams represent the beginning of the journey through college-level academic challenges. Once you're used to being challenged you're more likely to continue with advanced studies (AP students are twice as likely to go into Ph.D. programs). AP is not just a test; it's an experience. AP preparation motivates you to work hard, and you can improve the quality of all your courses based on the skills you gain in one AP preparation.

The work you do in an AP preparation will help you develop skills and study habits that will be vital in college. For example, you will learn how to analyze problems effectively, improve your writing skills, and prepare for exams. These are tools that will serve you well throughout your college career.

- **You're getting a head start . . .**

Every year, hundreds of students achieve sophomore standing by earning enough qualifying AP grades: more than 1,400 institutions in the United States alone grant a full year's credit to students who present satisfactory grades on enough AP Exams. *So do the University of British Columbia and McGill University in Canada.* Contact the colleges you are interested in attending to get the most up-to-date information about their AP policies.

- **You'll increase your options . . .**

Earning AP credit has allowed thousands of students to take a double major in college, move into upper-level courses in their field of interest, or complete their undergraduate degrees in less than four years.

- **You may be eligible for a Scholar Award . . .**

The AP Program offers a number of [Scholar Awards](#) to AP students who have demonstrated outstanding achievement. Although there is no monetary award, an acknowledgement of this achievement appears on the student's AP transcript. Scholar Award recipients not only gain recognition from colleges, but also win the admiration of their peers, families, and communities.

- **You'll have more time for yourself at college . . .**

Gaining credit or advanced standing in college can give you time for other interests that you might not have otherwise been able to pursue; for example, time abroad, extra classes, independent studies. This is the fun stuff that most college students just don't have the time or money to do.

- **You'll find out what you can really do . . .**

If you don't challenge yourself, you'll never know what you're capable of achieving. If you take an AP preparation...taking the exam completes the picture. If you don't take the exam, you might always wonder how well you could have done. Prove to yourself that you have mastered college-level material, and discover the satisfaction of reaching your goal.

**\*Note: The Benefits section consists of selections extracted from the AP student site: [www.collegeboard.com/ap/students](http://www.collegeboard.com/ap/students).**

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