

Advanced Placement Course Policies at St. Maurice School

Students wishing to register in an Advanced Placement (AP) course at St. Maurice School must meet the prerequisite mark from the previous course and must also register in the co-requisite course at St. Maurice. Summer School upgrades may *not* be used to fulfill the prerequisite mark needed for registration into any AP course at St. Maurice School. New students who are accepted for Grade 12 at St. Maurice must consult an administrator to determine their eligibility for an AP course at St. Maurice School, particularly with respect to the pre-requisite standing requirement, and the cost of their College Board AP exam should they be eligible for the course and choose to write the College Board exam.

AP students will have a choice of final exam for their AP course(s). They may opt to write either:

1. the College Board AP exam* (with their final high school 42S level credit based on the St. Maurice School exemption formula), or
2. the St. Maurice School teacher-generated Final June Exam (with their final high school 42S credit based on the St. Maurice School non-exemption formula)

There are no exemptions from an AP course final exam. Either exam will be written on the same date and at the same time as the scheduled College Board AP exam in May. Colleges and Universities will only consider granting credit for students who are successful on the College Board Advanced Placement exam.

*the cost of the College Board AP exam is set yearly by the College Board (in US funds). St. Maurice School will assume a portion of the exam cost for students who had obtained the pre-requisite standing in the required Grade 11 course at St. Maurice School and who are enrolled in the AP course at St. Maurice School. The student or his/her parent(s) must pay the student's portion of the exam fee in advance of the deadline for ordering the exam from the College Board (early March).

Students not enrolled in an AP course currently offered at St. Maurice School may choose to write its Advanced Placement College Board exam, however the exam fee is to be paid entirely by the student. Contact the AP Coordinator at St. Maurice School before February 1st to arrange that an exam is ordered in time. As a consequence of space and exam supervision concerns, St. Maurice School is not able to offer Advanced Placement College Board examinations for AP courses not offered at St. Maurice School in the current school year.

Specific course expectations may be obtained from the AP course instructor. Contact the St. Maurice School Administration should you have any questions regarding the Advanced Placement Program.

Information for Students provided by AP Services

Please visit: <http://apstudent.collegeboard.org/exploreap>

Advanced Placement (AP) is a program of college-level courses and exams that gives bright, motivated and independent students the opportunity to get ahead by earning advanced placement and/or credit for college while they are still in high school. There are many benefits for students who take AP courses...studying interesting and challenging things, discovering new interests, and getting a head start on their future.

Here are just a few reasons to sign up for an AP course:

Gain the Edge in College Preparation

- Get a head start on college-level work.
- Improve your writing skills and sharpen your problem-solving techniques.
- Develop the study habits necessary for tackling rigorous course work.

Stand Out in the College Admissions Process

- Demonstrate your maturity and readiness for college.
- Show your willingness to take the most rigorous courses available to you.
- Emphasize your commitment to academic excellence.

Broaden Your Intellectual Horizons

- Explore the world from a variety of perspectives, most importantly your own.
- Study subjects in greater depth and detail.
- Assume the responsibility of reasoning, analysing, and understanding for yourself.