



NORTHWESTERN HIGH SCHOOL ADVANCED STUDIES

ADVANCED PLACEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

AP



NHS AP COURSES

- **Arts:** Studio Art: Drawing Portfolio, Studio Art: 2-D Design Portfolio, Studio Art: 3-D Design Portfolio
- **English:** English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition
- **History and Social Sciences:** European History, Macroeconomics, Psychology, United States Government and Politics, United States History

NHS AP COURSES

- **Mathematics and Computer Science:** Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Statistics, Computer Science
- **Sciences:** Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental
- **AP Capstone:** Seminar and Research
- **Languages:** Chinese, French, and Spanish

AP RECOGNITION



AP Scholars

“Granted to students who receive scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams.”

More information can be found on collegeboard.org.

AP Capstone Diploma

“Students who earn scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research and on four additional AP Exams of their choosing receive the AP Capstone Diploma™.”

Dual Credit Opportunities open up your senior year

- PLTW –Rochester Institute of Technology
- Teacher Cadets—Winthrop University
- English 101—USC-L
- English 102—USC-L
- Psychology 101—USC-L
- Public Speaking 101 - USC-L
- Criminal Justice—USC-L at SPHS
- English 101 - York Technical College
- College Algebra 110 - York Technical College
- English 102 - York Technical College
- Psychology 101 - York Technical College
- Criminal Justice/Criminal Law - York Technical College

These can be taken in conjunction with AP.

REQUIREMENTS FOR DUAL CREDIT



PLTW - RIT

Overall "B" average at the beginning of the course and a satisfactory grade in the course

Teacher Cadet 101 @ Winthrop University

Overall 3.0 GPA or higher, application, teacher recommendation

USC-Lancaster

- 3.0 cumulative GPA
- Completion of English 1,2,3,4

York Technical College

- Overall, 3.0 GPA
- Other criteria contingent on selected course



PHILOSOPHY OF ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Advanced Placement (AP) courses provide students with the opportunity to engage in challenging college-level coursework around designated area(s) of interest or strengths.

AP courses allow students to delve deeply into the content and knowledge of a particular subject. This depth of content can provide students with new insights.

Students develop college-level skills such as research, analysis, evidence-based arguments, collaboration, writing, and presenting, which can be used in other AP courses and beyond.

AP EXAMS

- Students take AP Exams at the end of the course on set dates in May.
- Exams are typically 2–3 hours and include:
 - Multiple-choice questions,
 - Free-response items such as essays, problem solving,
 - document-based questions,
 - and oral responses.
- A score of 3 or higher on an AP Exam can typically earn students' college credit and/or placement into advanced courses in college. Passing AP Exam scores are 3, 4, 5.

AP EXAM FEES/ COST

- South Carolina pays for all exam fees for students who are enrolled in Advanced Placement classes.

PHILOSOPHY OF DUAL CREDIT COURSES

To provide opportunities for qualified high school juniors and seniors to complete college-level courses while still enrolled in high school.

To provide opportunities for students to earn dual credit (high school and college credit) when courses include both college and high school requirements.

PROJECT LEAD THE WAY (PLTW)

Introduction to Engineering Design

Principles of Engineering

Civil Engineering and Architecture

Digital Electronics



BENEFITS OF DUAL CREDIT COURSES

- Dual Credit Courses will be part of your college transcript when you enter college.
- Dual Credit Courses in core areas are transferable to all in-state public colleges, some out-of-state public colleges, and a few private colleges.
- Check with the college you are interested in attending to see how courses transfer.