challenge myself

WHY TAKE AP?

Earn college credit

Broaden my college and career choices
There are so many reasons to take AP® — whether you want to **get more out of your current courses** or **be better prepared for college and a career**.

**The AP® Experience**

AP® courses are more engaging. In the classroom you tackle challenging topics head on and go deeper into subjects that interest you. You also get the chance to discuss and debate your opinions with your AP teacher and classmates. Through them, you learn more and get more out of AP.
The Rewards

→ Let colleges know that you’re serious about your education. Having AP on your transcript shows you’re prepared to challenge yourself with rigorous course work.

→ Earn college credit and potentially skip introductory courses if you do well on the AP Exam. This can save tuition costs and help you graduate on time.

→ Learn what’s expected of you in college and develop the skills to get the most out of your college experience.
AP & Your Future

→ For colleges, AP is a sign you can really apply yourself to higher-level studies.

→ An AP course taken in high school could help you pick your major.

→ AP courses can help you turn the subjects that interest you into a fulfilling career.

WHAT’S NEXT?

→ Learn more about AP at exploreap.org:
  Watch videos and hear directly from AP students.

→ Speak to your counselor or a teacher about AP.
  Fill out a conversation starter, downloadable from exploreap.org, to prepare for the discussion.

→ Discuss your options with your parents or guardians and decide if AP makes sense for you.
About the Advanced Placement Program®

The College Board’s Advanced Placement Program® (AP®) enables willing and academically prepared students to pursue college-level studies — with the opportunity to earn college credit, advanced placement or both — while still in high school. In May 2014, 2.3 million students representing more than 19,000 schools around the world, both public and nonpublic, took over 4 million AP Exams. Approximately 3,800 U.S. and international colleges and universities received AP Exam scores last year.

About the College Board

The College Board is a mission-driven not-for-profit organization that connects students to college success and opportunity. Founded in 1900, the College Board was created to expand access to higher education. Today, the membership association is made up of over 6,000 of the world’s leading educational institutions and is dedicated to promoting excellence and equity in education. Each year, the College Board helps more than seven million students prepare for a successful transition to college through programs and services in college readiness and college success — including the SAT® and the Advanced Placement Program®. The organization also serves the education community through research and advocacy on behalf of students, educators, and schools. For further information, visit www.collegeboard.org.

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