

Credit By Examination

Advanced Placement Examination (AP)

Students from high schools that participate in the Advanced Placement Program may earn credit through examinations provided by the CollegeBoard. The examinations are administered at the conclusion of a college-level course taught in participating high schools. AP Score Reports are sent to the colleges or universities designated on your exam answer sheet. Students who do not designate NDSU on their answer sheet may contact AP Services (see below) to have scores sent to NDSU. **The code for NDSU is 6474.**

In accordance with North Dakota University System policy, a minimum score of three is required to receive credit for Advanced Placement (AP) examinations. If NDSU does not have an equivalent course, free elective credit may be awarded. Credit earned through AP is not residence credit and may not be used to satisfy residence-credit requirements for graduation. A listing of AP exams and current NDSU equivalent courses are listed below.

Examination	Score	Equivalent NDSU Course	Credit Hours	Gen Ed Category
Art-History	3	ART 210 & ART 211	6	A & A
Biology	3	BIOL 111 & BIOL 100L	4	S & S
Biology	4	BIOL 150, BIOL 150L, BIOL 151, & BIOL 151L	8	S, S, S, & S
Precalculus	3	MATH 107	4	R
Calculus AB	3	MATH 165	4	R
Calculus BC	3	MATH 165 & MATH 166	8	R & R
Chemistry	3	Free Elective (CHEM 1XX)*	4	S
Chemistry	4	CHEM 121, CHEM 121L, CHEM 122, & CHEM 122L	8	S, S, S, & S
Chinese Language & Culture	3	Free Elective (TRANSFR 1XX)*	3	A/D
Comparative Government & Politics	3	POLS 225	3	B
Computer Science A	3	CSCI 160	4	S
Computer Science AB	3	CSCI 160 & CSCI 161	8	S & S
Computer Science Principles	4	CSCI 159	3	R
English Language & Composition	3	ENGL 110 (or ENGL 112)	3	C
English Literature & Composition	3	ENGL 220	3	A/D
English Literature & Composition	4	ENGL 110 & ENGL 220	6	C & A/D
Environmental Science	3	BIOL 124 & BIOL 100L	4	S/G & S
European History	3	HIST 101 & HIST 102	6	A & A
French Language & Culture	3	FREN 101 & FREN 102	8	A/D & A/G
German Language	3	GERM 101 & GERM 102	8	A/D & A/G
Human Geography	3	GEOG 151	3	B/G
Italian Language & Culture	3	Free Elective (TRANSFR 1XX)*	3	A/D
Japanese Language & Culture	3	Free Elective (TRANSFR 1XX)*	3	A/D
Latin	3	Free Elective (TRANSFR 1XX)*	3	A/D
Macroeconomics	3	ECON 202	3	B/G
Microeconomics	3	ECON 201	3	B/G
Music Theory	3	Free Elective (MUSC 1XX)*	6	A
Physics I: Algebra-Based	3	Free Elective (PHYS 1XX)*	4	S
Physics I: Algebra-Based	4	PHYS 211 & PHYS 211L	4	S & S
Physics II: Algebra-Based	4	PHYS 212 & PHYS 212L	4	S & S
Physics C - Electricity & Magnetism	3	PHYS 212 & PHYS 212L	4	S & S
Physics C - Electricity & Magnetism	4	PHYS 252 & PHYS 252L	5	S & S

Physics C - Mechanics	3	PHYS 211 & PHYS 211L	4	S & S
Physics C - Mechanics	4	PHYS 251 & PHYS 251L	5	S & S
Psychology	3	PSYC 111	3	B
Research	3	Free Elective (TRNSFR 1XX)	3	
Seminar	3	Free Elective (TRNSFR 1XX)	3	
Spanish Language	3	SPAN 101 & SPAN 102	8	A/D & A/G
Spanish Literature & Culture	3	Free Elective (SPAN 1XX)*	3	A
Statistics	3	Free Elective (STAT 1XX)*	3	R
Statistics	4	STAT 330	3	R
Studio Art-2D Design Portfolio	3	ART 122	3	A
Studio Art-3D Design Portfolio	3	ART 124	3	A
Studio Art-Drawing Portfolio	3	ART 130 & ART 230	6	A & A
U.S. Government & Politics	3	POLS 115	3	B
U.S. History	3	HIST 103 & HIST 104	6	A & A
World History: Modern History	3	Free Elective (HIST 1XX)*	6	A

* Credit received applies toward degree elective credit

General Education Categories:

A	Humanities & Fine Arts
B	Social & Behavioral Science
C	Communication
D	Cultural Diversity
F	First Year Experience
G	Global Perspectives
L	Digital Literacy
R	Quantitative Reasoning
S	Science & Technology
W	Wellness

See General Education Requirements (<https://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2025-2026/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/general-education/#text>) for more information on core NDSU courses.

For general information or to order AP score reports contact:

Phone: (609) 771-7300 or (888) 225-5427 (toll-free in the U.S. and Canada)
 Automated score report request line: (888) 308-0013 (toll-free in the U.S. and Canada)
 Email: apexams@info.collegeboard.org
 Web site: www.collegeboard.org (<https://www.collegeboard.org/>)

Questions? Contact the NDSU Office of Registration and Records (<https://www.ndsu.edu/registrar/contact/>) at 701-231-7981