

2017-18 Course Selection FAQ

Can I take AP courses in 9th Grade?

Certainly. There are AP courses that have zero or basic prerequisites.

AP[®] Human Geography challenges students in critical reading and writing, fostering skills in literature analysis, research, and communication.

The AP[®] Computer Science Principles course introduces you to the essential ideas of computer science. You'll learn to understand how computing and technology influences the world around you. Similar to AP[®] Human Geography, AP[®] Computer Science Principles is another ideal choice for your first AP[®] course(s).

AP Physics 1 can also be taken at 9th grade. The only prerequisite for the course is Algebra 1. But we strongly suggest that students finish Conceptual Physics before taking the course. The summer preceding the school year is an ideal time for finishing Conceptual Physics.

What is AP Capstone Program? How can I join the program?

AP Capstone™ is an innovative diploma program that allows students to develop the skills that matter most for college success: research, collaboration, and communication. The program consists of two courses taken in sequence: AP[®] Seminar and AP Research. Developed in direct response to feedback from higher education faculty and college admission officers, AP Capstone complements the in-depth, subject-specific study of other Advanced Placement[®] courses and exams. Students who earn scores of 3 or higher on AP Seminar and AP Research assessments and on four additional AP Exams of their choosing will earn the AP Capstone Diploma™.

Students may join the program by enrolling the first course in the program, the AP Seminar, in the fall of 2017.

I can't double up on science courses at my school. What can I do?

Pair our science tracks with the ones at your full-time high school. If you're taking Chemistry at school already, consider completing the Physics track at Legend.

Conceptual Physics → AP Physics 1 / AP Physics 2 → AP Physics C

Biology / Biology Honors → Chemistry / Chemistry Honors → AP Chemistry / AP Biology

Can I complete a course prerequisite at Legend and finish subsequent courses at my full-time school?

Yes, most schools will recognize courses taken at Legend and approve them for fulfilling course prerequisites. However, we always recommend that you inform your full-time school that you plan on taking a course at Legend. Typical examples are Intro to Java as prerequisite for AP Computer Science A and all levels of math courses.