



Common Questions and Answers: AP vs. DE

Question:
Should I dual enroll?

Questions to consider:

- Do I have at least a 3.0 GPA?
- Am I prepared to have my Burke grade in the class also on an official college transcript?

ALSO: CONTACT the college/university you are considering (if you know intended major, also speak with department) and ASK:

- Do you accept dual enrollment credit?
- How will accept UNO, MCC, or Midland courses (state specific name and course number)
- Will I be considered a freshman regardless of the number of credits I bring in? (In other words, would I still be eligible for all freshman scholarships offered?)
- Would the credits I bring in be counted against the overall length/amount of any scholarship that he/she may receive?

Question:
Should I take the AP Exam?:

Questions to consider:

- Do I do well on standardized tests? (AP exams average three to four hours each)
- Am I willing to put in the extra time to study and review for the AP exam in addition to the course work load?

ALSO: CONTACT the college/university you are considering and ASK:

- What score does a student need to earn on the AP Exam for credit, and what course credit would it be?
- You can also check for this information on the following College Board Website: [AP Credit Policy Search – AP Students – College Board](#)

Question: **I am dual enrolled. Should I also take the AP Exam?:**

Items to consider:

- Credits may count toward the total number of hours attempted for purposes of scholarships and financial aid. Check specific scholarship requirements.
- Pre-professional students – check requirements of professional schools. Some do not accept college credits taken while in high school. Some require specific grades and will not accept AP credit.

Questions to consider:

- What happens if I am not successful in the dual enrolled course (grades)? How will the AP exam help me?
- Will the credits earned from dual enrollment AND/OR the AP Exam apply to the programs, majors, and colleges/universities I am considering?
- How confident am I that I will earn the required AP Exam score needed for the programs, majors, and colleges/universities I am considering?
- Is the AP/DE course an area in which I am extremely interested and/or passionate about? Do I see myself studying this content after high school for an advanced degree?