



Academic Pathways at Anderson High School

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Academic Pathways at Anderson High School

- ▶ ON-LEVEL COURSEWORK
- ▶ ADVANCED (Pre-AP, Honors)
- ▶ ACC DUAL CREDIT
- ▶ UT ONRAMPS
- ▶ ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP)
- ▶ INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)

WHAT is ACC Dual Credit?



Allows eligible high school students (9-12) residing in the ACC service area to enroll in college level classes



Students receive a total of 12 individual course attempts/tuition waivers. There **MAY** be costs for textbooks and other materials.



Eligibility determined by PSAT, SAT, ACT, EOC or TSI scores

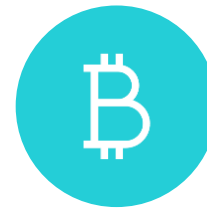


Classes are taught at Anderson by ACC professors. Students may also take courses online or at ACC campus year-round.

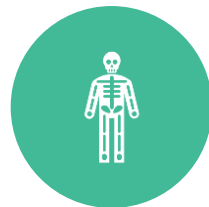
WHAT is ACC Dual Credit?



Students earn both college AND weighted high school credit



Tuition waiver applies to any courses in the ACC Core Curriculum, Workforce Degree/Certification, and foreign languages



Students earn true transcribed college credit that is transferrable to Texas public colleges and most public colleges nationwide.



Parents are not given access to student records, including grades, attendance, and course progress due to FERPA federal privacy law

What ACC Dual Credit classes are offered at AHS?

- ▶ English IV
- ▶ US Government
- ▶ Economics
- ▶ US History (1877-present)
- ▶ AC/DC Circuits

- ▶ Texas State & Local Government
- ▶ Strategies for College Success
- ▶ US History (Pre-1877)





What is UT OnRamps?

OnRamps students are enrolled in both a high school course led by a high school teacher and a distance college course led by a college instructor of record.

The student receives a high school grade from the high school teacher and a college grade from the college instructor of record, as well as ongoing feedback and support throughout the course.

Of the many benefits to this dual enrollment model, the student is empowered to take on the role of college student and is held to the same standards of leading universities.

The number and type of assignments for the college course will vary based on the course. Each course syllabus will contain information specific to that course.



What
OnRamps
classes
are
offered
at AHS?



English IV



US History



Statistics



Physics 1



Fundamentals of Computer
Science



AP (Advanced Placement)



Started in 1955



AP classes are High School courses that prepare students for AP exams



ANYONE can take an AP exam – do not have to take an AP course



Exams are administered in spring and credit varies by University



AP (Advanced Placement)



Advanced (formerly Pre AP) classes can be taken freshman/sophomore year to prepare for AP level classes



AP level classes typically junior/senior year except World History, Human Geography



About 1300 exams given in May

What is IB?



The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme (DP) is a global curriculum established in 1968 in Geneva, Switzerland. There are 940 DP schools in the U.S., and 4,000 in the world.

Anderson's IB program was established in 1991, and we are the oldest IB school in central Texas. IBDP pass rate is 96%. About 20% of students participate in the IB learning community.

The IB Diploma Program is a comprehensive course of study designed for motivated students. The curriculum is designed to develop higher order thinking, communication, research skills.

IB Courses are taken in the junior and senior year. IB courses have multiple assessments that make up the final IB score outcome. Most of the assessments are essay based.

Students at Anderson apply to the program in spring of sophomore year. Highly recommend students and parents attend IB information sessions – IB is complicated!

IB at Anderson...2 Options:



- ▶ **IB Diploma Program** A two-year course of study made up of six subject groups and the DP core, comprising theory of knowledge (TOK), creativity, activity, service (CAS) and the extended essay. Students select three courses at the higher level (HL), which involves two years of study at the IB level, and three courses at the standard level (SL), which involves one or two years at the IB level.
- ▶ **Select IB Courses (aka Certificate)** Students elect to study at least two higher level IB courses taken over the junior and senior years.

College Credit & IB Courses

Texas Senate Bill 111 states that all students who complete the IB Diploma will receive at least 24 hours of credit in the appropriate subject areas at Texas public universities. They must earn a 4 on each exam.

Every college that takes AP credit also accepts IB credit

Colleges will apply AP/IB credit differently, even if they are in the same system.

Full IB Diploma candidates are identified in the Common App secondary school report

The IB Curriculum is designed to challenge students to develop knowledge and skills for high level college work

Please come to information sessions for more about IB!

**Practical
Information &
feedback
from our
teachers &
staff**

**ACC Dual credit vs OnRamps – what's
the difference in class rigor? What about
AP vs ACC Dual Credit?**

Describe a typically successful IB student

**Other??
Questions from students & families**

What's Next?

▶ **Listen to teacher recommendations for your student**

▶ **Explore how AP/IB credit will be given at colleges of interest to you, just google!**

https://testingservices.utexas.edu/search-undergraduate-exams?field_type_tid=12

▶ **ACC credit transfer guide:**

<https://students.austincc.edu/transfer-services/university-information-transfer-guides-course-equivalencies/>

▶ **OnRamps Credit**

<https://onramps.utexas.edu/what-we-offer/distance-ed/students/enrollment/>

▶ **Research what your college wants:**

<https://admissions.sa.ucsb.edu/freshman-eligibility-selection>

▶ **Trust the process! There are no "wrong" choices, just fantastic learning!**

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