

APU Early Honors Program



ASD High School Graduation Requirements & APU Courses – What Counts?

Total Credits to Graduate from ASD: 22.5

All students must fulfill ASD graduation requirements prior to receiving a diploma.

3-4 credit courses at APU are equivalent to 1.0 ASD unit.

1-2 credit courses at APU are equivalent to .5 ASD unit

ASD Requirement	APU Sample Offerings that Equate
<p>Language Arts — 4 units English 9-1, 9-2, English 10-1, 10-2, and one semester of Composition during grades 11 or 12 plus three semesters of electives in grades 10, 11, or 12.</p>	<p>Composition: WRIT 10100 Writing & Research I: Argumentation Language Arts Electives: CRIT 13300 Critical Thinking COMM 100xx/209xx Communication Studies CRWR 20xxx Creative Writing HUM 100xx/206xx Humanities</p>
<p>Social Studies — 4 units World History 9- 1 and 9- 2, U.S. History 10- 1 and 10 -2, one semester of Alaska Studies, one semester of Economics, one semester of United States Government, one semester of a Social Studies elective.</p>	<p>SS 20103 American Government & Politics Social Studies Electives: LS 20300 Introduction to Social Sciences PY 10100 Introduction to Psychology PY 15000 Adjustment & Change BAM 260xx Economics</p>
<p>Mathematics — 2.5 units Five semesters of Mathematics electives. In order to satisfy the Algebra requirements, students must complete one of the following options: Algebra I, semester 1 and 2; or Algebra A, semester 1 and 2 AND Algebra B, semester 1 and 2 or Algebra Survey, semester 1 and 2; or Credit-by-Choice Challenge by Examination.</p>	<p>MT 10100 Intermediate Algebra MT 12100 Precalculus MT 23000 Calculus & Analytic Geometry I MT 24000 Calculus & Analytic Geometry II MT 35000 Multivariable Calculus MT 36000 Differential Equations and Applications</p>
<p>Sciences — 3 units Three years (six semesters) of science credit are required. Two semesters must be life science. Two semesters must be physical science.</p>	<p>SC 16100 & SC 16200 Principles of Biology I & II SC 17000 & SC 17100 Principles of Chemistry I & II SC 27000 & SC 27500 Physics I & II SC 12000 Physical Geology</p>
<p>Electives — 7.5 units Fifteen semester courses have not been specified so as to provide students an opportunity to pursue individual educational goals. Electives may include additional courses in Language Arts, Social Studies, Mathematics, Science, Technology, Fine Arts, World Languages, Physical Education and Career Technology.</p>	<p>Music – Piano, Voice, Guitar lessons Arts – Ceramics, Drawing, Studio Arts Digital Studio—Photography, Video, Audio Humanities & Cultural Studies, Alaska Native Studies, Outdoor Studies, Marketing & Business Religion Studies</p>
<p>PE/Health Education — 1.5 units Three semesters of physical education graduation requirements can be fulfilled by passing the required Lifetime Personal Fitness course plus .5 credit from the lifetime activity courses (noted as such in course listings) plus .5 additional credit from any physical education class.</p>	<p>PE 10200 Fitness for Life (counts for LPF) Nordic Skiing Yoga Climbing Sea Kayaking</p>

ASD accepts SC 17000 Principles of Chemistry I, SC 27000 General Physic I, and MT 23000 Calculus I as weighed GPA courses.

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The Timeline – What to Expect Across the Year

APU's academic semester is comprised of 'Block' and 'Session'. The Block runs for the first 4 weeks of the semester, where students take only one intensive course. The Session runs for the last 11 weeks of the semester, where students take 3-4 courses.



A Sample Fall Semester Schedule – Credits and How the Courses Might be Arranged

Course and Credits:

Fall Block	CRIT 13300	Critical Thinking	4 credits
Fall Session	WRIT 10100	Writing & Research I: Argumentation	4 credits
	MT 23000	Calculus & Analytic Geometry I	4 credits
	SC 16100	Principles of Biology I	4 credits
	PE 10316	Nordic Skiing	2 credits

The Weekly Routine:

BLOCK (4 wks)	SESSION (11 wks)				
M-T-W-R	M	T	W	R	F
9:00-1:00pm – CRIT 13300	MT 23000 7:50-9:00am	MT 23000 7:50-9:00am	MT 23000 7:50-9:00am	MT 23000 7:50-9:00am	PE 10316 1:00-5:00pm
	WRIT 10100 10:30am-12:50pm	SC 16100 10:30am-12:50pm w/Lab on T night	WRIT 10100 10:30am-12:50pm	SC 16100 10:30am-12:50pm	

APU Fall 2014 Calendar

Aug 25	Fall Block courses begin
Sept 24	Fall Session courses begin
Oct 31	Midterm & Register for Spring Semester
Nov 26-27-28	Thanksgiving Holiday – no classes
Dec 12	Last Day of Classes for Fall Semester
Dec 19	Grades are Transcribed

APU Spring 2015 Calendar

Jan 12	Spring Block courses begin
Jan 19	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday – no classes
Feb 9	Spring Session courses begin
Mar 9-13	Spring Break
Mar 25	Midterm
May 1	Last Day of Classes for Spring Semester
May 3	Early Honors Recognition Celebration
May 8	Grades are Transcribed

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