



Advanced Placement (AP) Seminar

PEIMS Code: N1130026
Abbreviation: APSMNR
Grade Level(s): 9–12
Award of Credit: 1.0

Approved Innovative Course

- Districts must have local board approval to implement innovative courses.
- In accordance with Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §74.27, school districts must provide instruction in all essential knowledge and skills identified in this innovative course.
- Innovative courses may only satisfy elective credit toward graduation requirements.
- Please refer to [TAC §74.13](#) for guidance on endorsements.

Course Description:

AP Seminar is a foundational course that aims to equip students with the power to analyze and evaluate information with accuracy and precision in order to craft and communicate evidence-based arguments. Using an inquiry framework of questioning, understanding, evaluating, synthesizing, and transforming, students practice reading and analyzing articles, research studies, and foundational, literary, and philosophical texts; listening to and viewing speeches, broadcasts, and personal accounts; experiencing artistic works and performances; conducting research and evaluating evidence; constructing and supporting arguments; and collaborating and communicating. The course topics and themes engage students in cross-curricular conversations that explore the complexities of academic and real-world issues through the examination of divergent perspectives.

AP Capstone™ is an innovative program from the College Board that equips students with the independent research, collaborative teamwork, and communication skills that are increasingly valued by colleges. AP Capstone is built on the foundation of two AP courses — *AP Seminar* and *AP Research* — and is designed to complement and enhance the in-depth, discipline-specific study experienced in other AP courses.

Teacher qualifications:

An assignment for an Advanced Placement Course is allowed with a valid certificate that matches the subject and grade level of the assignment unless otherwise specified.

Additional information:

AP Research is an official AP course and is sanctioned by the College Board. For additional information contact Jill Schott, Senior Director, State and District Partnership at jschott@collegeboard.org or 281-254-9757.