Advanced Placement Exam Regulations for Students Matriculating in Fall 2021

**Bowdoin Department/Program (Subject Code)** | **Advanced Placement Exam** | **Minimum AP Score** | **General Credit** | **Potential for Major/Minor Credit** | **Equivalent Course** | **Additional Information**
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Art History (ARTH) | Art History | 4 | n/a | No | ARTH 1100 | No major/minor credit; students are exempt from taking ARTH 1100, Introduction to Art History, but must take an additional course to fulfill the one art history course numbered 1100-1999 requirement for the major/minor.
Art Visual Arts (VART) | Studio Art 2-D Design | 4 | 1+ | No | n/a | Must complete VART 1101, Drawing I, VART 1201, Printmaking I, 1401, Photography I, or VART 1601, Sculpture I, with a minimum grade of B. If a student has scores for more than one exam, only 1 total credit will be awarded. No major/minor credit.
Art Visual Arts (VART) | Studio Art Lighting | 4 | 1+ | No | n/a | Must complete one of the following courses with a minimum grade of C–: CHEM 2091, Environmental Chemistry, CHEM 2100, Chemical Analysis, CHEM 2280, Organic Chemistry I, CHEM 2800, Inorganic Chemistry, CHEM 2950, Chemical Thermodynamics and Kinetics, or CHEM 2970, Quantum Chemistry and Spectroscopy. Course toward major/minor credit. Credit will not be given if the student places into, or elects to take CHEM 1011, Introductory Chemistry and Quantitative Reasoning I, CHEM 1021, Introductory Chemistry and Quantitative Reasoning II, CHEM 1101, Introductory Chemistry I, CHEM 1102, Introductory Chemistry II, or CHEM 1109, General Chemistry. Regardless of AP score, all students must take the placement exam.
Chemistry (CHEM) | Chemistry | 4 | 1+ | Yes* | n/a | Must complete one of the following courses with a minimum grade of C–: CHEM 2091, Environmental Chemistry, CHEM 2100, Chemical Analysis, CHEM 2280, Organic Chemistry I, CHEM 2800, Inorganic Chemistry, CHEM 2950, Chemical Thermodynamics and Kinetics, or CHEM 2970, Quantum Chemistry and Spectroscopy. Course toward major/minor credit. Credit will not be given if the student places into, or elects to take CHEM 1011, Introductory Chemistry and Quantitative Reasoning I, CHEM 1021, Introductory Chemistry and Quantitative Reasoning II, CHEM 1101, Introductory Chemistry I, CHEM 1102, Introductory Chemistry II, or CHEM 1109, General Chemistry. Regardless of AP score, all students must take the placement exam.
Classics Latin (LATN) | Latin | 4 | 1+ | No | n/a | Must complete a 3000-level LATN course with a minimum grade of B. Regardless of AP score, students should complete placement questionnaire. No major/minor credit.
Economics (ECON) | Microeconomics | 4 | 1+ | No | ECON 1101 | Eligible to receive credit for ECON 1101, Principles of Microeconomics. Credit will not be given if the student places into or chooses to take ECON 1050, Introductory Microeconomies and Quantitative Reasoning, or ECON 1201, Principles of Microeconomies. No major/minor credit.
Economics (ECON) | Macroeconomics | 4 | 1+ | No | ECON 1102 | Eligible to receive credit for ECON 1102, Principles of Macroeconomics. Credit will not be given if the student places into or chooses to take ECON 1050, Introductory Microeconomies and Quantitative Reasoning, or ECON 1201, Principles of Microeconomies. No major/minor credit.
Economics (ECON) | Microeconomics | 4 | 1+ | Yes* | n/a | Student must complete one of the AP exams to fulfill the minimum requirement of either minor and do not need to replace it with another course.
Economics (ECON) | Macroeconomics | 4 | 1+ | Yes* | n/a | Student must complete one of the AP exams to fulfill the minimum requirement of either minor and do not need to replace it with another course.
English (ENGL) | English Literature & Composition | 5 | 1+ | No | n/a | Must complete an English course, not including ENGL 1050, Writing Studio, ENGL 1060, English Composition, ENGL 1070, The Art of Rhetoric and Composition, or any creative writing course (ENGL 1210-1299 and ENGL 2100-2299) with a minimum grade of B– to receive the general credit. No major/minor credit.
Environmental Studies (ENVS) | Environmental Science | 5 | 1+ | Yes* | n/a | Must complete one of the AP exams, or earn a minimum grade of B– in ENVS 2301, Perspectives in Environmental Science, and does not need to replace it with another course.
German (GER) | German Language & Culture | 4 | 1+ | No | n/a | Must complete one of the AP exams, or earn a minimum grade of B– in German Language & Culture, and does not need to replace it with another course.
Government and Legal Studies (GOV) | Government & Politics (U.S.) | 4 | 1+ | No | n/a | Must complete a level 1 course, GOV 2000-2098, in the same subject as the AP exam, with a minimum grade of B–. If a student has scores for more than one exam, only 1 total credit will be awarded. No major/minor credit. Subject area course numbers: American Politics (GOV 1000-1099, 1057-1097, 1100, 2000-2299, 2790-2999, 3000-3199, 3790-3999); Political Theory (GOV 1007-1099, 1040-1049, 2100-2399, 2800-2899, 3100-3399, 3800-3899); Comparative Politics (GOV 1017-1029, 1400, 2300-2399, 3300-3399); International Relations (GOV 1025-1045, 1600, 2500-2899, 3500-3699).
History (HIST) | European History | 4 | 1+ | No | n/a | Must complete a HIST 2000 level course or higher with a minimum grade of B. If a student has scores for more than one exam, only 1 total credit will be awarded. No major/minor credit.
Music (MUS) | Music Theory | 4 | 1+ | Yes* | MUS 1001 | Must complete MUS 1001, Music Theory I, with a minimum grade of C– to receive the general credit. No major/minor credit.
Neuroscience (NEUR) | Chemistry, Psychology | 4 | 0+ | Yes* | n/a | Major must earn a grade of C– or higher in MUS 2403, Songwriting and Song Analysis, in order to receive credit for MUS 2403. Students meeting the criteria are also exempt from taking MUS 1401, Introduction to Music Theory. Students earning a grade of C or better in MUS 2403, Songwriting and Song Analysis, this credit can count towards the major. Placement into MUS 1401, Introduction to Music Theory, or MUS 1402, Fundamentals of Music, is not required.
Physics and Astronomy (PHYS) | Physics: Mechanics | 4 | 1+ | Yes* | PHYS 1130 | Students who matriculated prior to fall 2021 should follow the guidelines established in the academic year they matriculated. Visit the Registrar’s website to reference a PDF of prior year guidelines.
Physiology and Anatomy (PHYS) | Physics: Mechanics | 4 | 1+ | Yes* | PHYS 1130 | Must complete PHYS 1130, Introductory Physics I, and do not need to take an additional course to replace PHYS 1130. Students who matriculated prior to fall 2021 should follow the guidelines established in the academic year they matriculated. Visit the Registrar’s website to reference a PDF of prior year guidelines.
Psychology (PSYC) | Psychology | 4 | n/a | n/a | PSYC 1101 | No major/minor credit; students are exempt from taking PSYC 1101, Introduction to Psychology, but majors/minors must take an additional PSYC course to replace PSYC 1101.
Romance Languages and Literatures: Spanish Studies (FRS) | Spanish Language & Culture | 4 | 1+ | No | n/a | Must complete FRS 2305, Advanced French through Film, or higher level FRS course, with a minimum grade of B–. Credit will not be given if the student places into, or elects to take, a course lower than FRS 2305, Advanced French through Film. Regardless of AP score, all students must take the placement exam. No major/minor credit.
Romance Languages and Literatures: Hispanic Studies (HISP) | Spanish Language & Culture | 4 | 1+ | No | n/a | Must complete HISP 2305, Advanced Spanish, or higher level HISP course with a minimum grade of B–. If a student has scores for more than one exam, only 1 total credit will be awarded. Credit will not be given if the student places into, or elects to take, a course lower than HISP 2305. Regardless of AP score, all students must take the placement exam. No major/minor credit.
Romance Languages and Literatures: Italian Studies (ITAL) | Italian Language & Culture | 4 | 1+ | No | n/a | Must complete ITAL 2305, Advanced Italian I, or higher level ITAL course with a minimum grade of B–. Credit will not be given if the student places into, or elects to take, a course lower than ITAL 2305. Regardless of AP score, all students must take the placement exam. No major/minor credit.

### AP Exams Bowdoin does not accept:

- **AP Exams used only for course placement (no academic credit possible).**
- **English Language & Composition**
- **Japanese Language**
- **French Language & Culture**
- **Italian Language & Culture**
- **German Language & Culture**
- **Spanish Language & Culture**
- **French Literature & Culture**
- **German Literature & Culture**
- **Spanish Literature & Culture**
- **Italian Literature & Culture**

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**Additional details for AP guidelines from previous years can be found in Bowdoin's Catalogs. Academy Handbooks archived on the Registrar’s website.**

*Questions can be directed to registrar@bowdoin.edu or directly to the academic department/program.*

In order to receive credit for advanced placement work, students must have their scores officially reported to the Office of the Registrar by the end of their sophomore year at Bowdoin.