



Q&A	Dual & Concurrent Program Link: Dual credit FAQ	National Advanced Placement (AP) Program www.collegeboard.com
What is the degree of academic difficulty?	Rigor depends on the requirements set by instructor (either STC /UTPA staff or High School staff), student perception and individual course.	Rigorous national level program required to cover curriculum set by College Board.
How is college credit earned?	Successful completion of a course results in an immediate credit received and posted on a college transcript	College credit awarded is based on taking the National Advanced Placement exam for a course and meeting the score requirement based on the individual institution
How is the college credit transferred?	Transfer of college credit will vary depending on the degree plan declared and the policies set by each individual institution, whether it is in-state, out-of-state, private or public.	Awarding of college credit will vary depending on the policies and AP score requirements set by each individual institution
How are Distinguished Achievement Program (DAP) measures earned?	Grade earned must be a "B" or better	AP score must be a "3" or better
How does this affect my high school GPA	Only the following ON-CAMPUS dual courses will be calculated in high school GPA: Gov/Eco, English III/US History (spring) and Pre-Calculus-College Algebra. Optional with proper submission of PASS/FAIL form by set deadline: English III/US History (fall) and Biology. All other courses offered are NOT included. GPA Chart for Freshmen 2009 and Prior: weighted on a 6.0 scale GPA Chart For Freshmen 2010 and Beyond: weighted on a 5.5 scale	Varies depending if the AP course taken is a graduation requirement.. i.e., English III, US History, Government and Economics etc. Additional AP core courses taken above and beyond the recommended program are optional with proper submission of PASS/FAIL form by set deadline Weighted on a 6.0 scale
How does this affect my college GPA	Grades are posted on college transcript and travel from one institution to another. How the grade transfers depends on the policy of accepting institution	NA
College \$\$\$\$ saved?	On average, for a Texas public university, a student would save \$500 per credit hour earned (pending success of a college course, AP exam score and transferability).	