

<p style="text-align: center;">Tempe Union High School District Course Type and Program Information Presented by The Parent Network *</p>					
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Type of classes/program -->	Honors Courses	AP (Advanced Placement) Courses	Dual Enrollment	IB - International Baccalaureate	Peggy Payne Academy
What is it?	Higher level of learning than standard classes	College level classes; Curriculum developed by The College Board (makers of the SAT Test)	Classes for college credit	College Prep program, with comprehensive/rigorous liberal arts curriculum. For Motivated student who works well in a structured academic environment. Curriculum developed by the IB Organization.	For Gifted Student. Rigorous Curriculum. Smaller learning environment.
Difficulty	More Challenging & can be more Homework than Standard Class	More challenging & More Homework than Standard Class; <i>college level</i> work	Depends on individual classes. Some are Standard, Honors & AP; college level work	More Rigor, More Homework; Talk to parents of previous IB students, counselor, coordinator	More Rigor, More Homework; Talk to parents of previous PP students, counselor, coordinator
Eligibility For Taking Class	Freshman through Seniors. Must achieve 85 % or above on Acuplacer test in subject area and/or with teacher permission; If parent has questions regarding test results, talk to the teacher or the counselor.	For Juniors & Seniors No pre-exam required.	Some subjects require a entrance exam by college, given at high schools	1. > 75% on most recent standardized exam 2. A's & some B's for 7th grade/1st semester 8th 3.8th grade Discipline Report 4.Admission essay 5.2 teacher recommendations.	1.Test in top 3% in any of the 3 areas on the TUHSD honors/gifted placement exam. 2.Interview
Fees	Some have small fees for labs/supplies	Final College-Level Exam taken in May - Approximatey \$85	Fee per hour based on the College offering it. Paid to college system.	No	No
Locations offered	See individual school course catalogs for availability	See individual school course catalogs for availability	See individual school course catalogs for availability	Tempe HS	McClintock HS

Can a student get college credit for this class?	If listed under Dual Enrollment	Must pass the AP test at end of course to get college credit. 3 is the lowest competent score, though check w/ individual Universities. Some schools require 4s or 5s for credit.	Many transfer to Az. schools, but verify with ASU or University before taking. Also, check with counselors in high schools.	Check with coordinator	Check with coordinator
GPA-Grade Point Average Points	A=4 B=3 C=2 D=1	A=4 B=3 C=2 D=1	A=4 B=3 C=2 D=1	A=4 B=3 C=2 D=1	A=4 B=3 C=2 D=1
Class Rank Points	A=5 B=4 C=3 D=goes back 1	A=5 B=4 C=3 D=goes back 1	A=4 B=3 C=2 D=1 unless Hpnors/AP	A=4 B=3 C=2 D=1 unless Hpnors/AP	A=4 B=3 C=2 D=1 unless Hpnors/AP
Flexibility of instruction	Depends on the teacher	More strict (not flexible) because the curriculum is dictated by the College Board to be the same at all high schools across the US.	Depends on teacher and/or level of class.	The IB Organization dictates the curriculum. Teachers must teach according to strict standards set by the IBO.	Talk with Coordinator
Benefits	Raises weighted GPA and improves rank	Raises weighted GPA, improves rank, & gives college credit if you score well on the test. Curriculum is nationally recognized as being rigorous.	If Honors or AP, raises weighted GPA/rank. Gives college credit regardless of level if you earn a grade of "C" or better.	Fantastic! It's recognized by prestigious universities around the world.	Excellent! In the eight years it has existed it is developing a great reputation.
** NOTE: This information is provided by the Parent Network based on information from Tempe Union High School District, but also includes some subjective opinion from parents.					

Compadre High School	Zero Hour	Evening Courses	Summer School	TUOL: Online Courses
School of choices. Goal to meet needs of each student and offers alternative curriculum. Building relationships with students is priority.	Classes offered before 1st hour.	Classes offered in the evening.	Classes offered during 2 summer sessions.	Select Courses offered on-line
Depends on class.	Depends on class.	Depends on class.	Depends on class.	Depends on class.
Open to all grades, anywhere, but may have other requirements, based on the class	Open to all grades, anywhere, but may have other requirements, based on the class	Open to all grades, anywhere, but may have other requirements, based on class	Open to all grades, anywhere, but may have other requirements, based on class	Open to all grades, anywhere, but may have other requirements, based on class
None, for standard classes. Fee for evening school, on-line school, etc.	\$135 for each semester if this is beyond normal class load	\$135 for each semester if this is beyond normal class load	Yes. Check course catalog	\$135 for each semester if this is beyond normal class load
Compadre High School	See individual school course catalogs for availability	Compadre	2 summer sessions at 2 high schools, one east of the I-10 & one west. Sites rotate each summer.	on-line so anywhere

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Depends on teacher and/or level of class.	Depends on teacher and/or level of class.	Depends on teacher and/or level of class.	Depends on teacher and/or level of class.	Depends on teacher and/or level of class.
Great for students that want to graduate early, have to make up credits, need a smaller environment for learning.	Allows students to take more than 6 classes. Gives some flexibility of schedule, if student has to leave early in the school-day.	Allows students to take more than 6 classes. Gives some flexibility of schedule, if student has to leave early.	Allows students to take more than the usual number of classes per year. Gives some flexibility of schedule, if student has to leave early. For example, by taking a course like health or PE in summer school, there is room for other rigorous classes during the year.	Flexible opportunity to take classes anywhere and anytime; Can be self-paced.