Academic

ATLANTIC
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
Integrating Faith, Love and Learning

Courses of Study

Upper School Grades 7-12

Atlantic Christian Academy is committed to the integration of faith, love, and learning. Our Upper School program reaches a variety of learning styles and offers a curriculum of exploration as well as opportunities for students to develop core content understandings and skills. We have developed best practices for instruction and a variety of assessment strategies. ACA offers standard, regular, and advanced/honors classes in a variety of subjects that encourage students to meet their needs and reach their full potential.

Honors Courses are designed to challenge the student in a deeper study of the subject by improving their analytical and critical thinking skills. Students should expect to have additional reading, spend extra time on homework and assignments, complete in-depth essay test questions, and work on a major project. Approval by Administration is required.

Advanced Placement (AP) Courses, offered to Grades 10-12, are designed to mirror college courses. Most college courses include many hours of out-of-class reading, and study. AP Courses at ACA are no different. Each AP Course has specific requirements related to the particular course of study. Expectations for the class will be communicated to students at the start of the semester. Approval by ACA Administration is required.

Dual Enrollment (DE) Courses are college courses offered to qualifying high school seniors. Curriculum is academically challenging, and students will experience the demands of college work. Atlantic Christian Academy accepts DE credits from Palm Beach State College. Students participating in DE Courses must have a minimum 3.0 GPA, meet the admission requirements of the college, and have their ACA account in good standing. Dual Enrollment is only allowed with the written approval of Administration, and classes must be scheduled so they do not interfere with other ACA core classes. Senior students must be enrolled in a minimum of five classes between the college and ACA. At least four or five classes must be taken at ACA and include a Bible credit for each semester. Dual Enrollment credits count for both high school and college and are credited as AP courses.

Community Service All high school students at ACA have the privilege of participating in approved community service. A minimum of 25 hours per year for a total of 100 hours over four years allows students to be a light in their community as they share the love of Christ in service to others.

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16

- 1. Course changes will not be permitted after the first week of the semester.
- 2. Physical Education is required through ninth grade (exception Health/Phys. Ed. (HOPE) class was completed during the 8^{th} grade school year).
- 3. Students attending college should review the published admissions requirements of the college of their choice to make sure they are taking the courses required for entrance. Our academic advisor is here to assist you and your student as you explore options in higher education.

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Course Selection

As a college preparatory program, the following courses of study are available:

AP Classes

Biology
Calculus AB
European History
Language & Composition
Literature & Composition
Macroeconomics*
Physics I
U.S. Government & Politics*
U.S. History

AP = Advanced Placement – college credit may be earned by passing AP exam DE = Dual Enrollment – college credit may be earned with a "C" or better

Bible

Biblical World-view Old Testament Survey New Testament Survey Apologetics World Religions Counter-cultural Living

Language Arts

English 7
English 8
English I
English I Honors
English II
English III Honors
English III
English III Honors
English IV
English IV
English IV Honors
AP Language & Composition
AP Literature & Composition

Social Studies

Civics 7
American History 8
Geography
World History
AP European History
United States History
AP United States History
United States Government*
AP U.S. Government &
Politics*
AP Macroeconomics*

Medical Endorsement Classes

First Aid & Safety* Medical Languages* Anatomy/Physiology Honors Biological Bases of Behavior AP Biology

Science

Life Science 7
Integrated Science 8
Physical Science
Physical Science Honors
Biology
Biology Honors
AP Biology
Chemistry
Chemistry Honors
Anatomy/Physiology
Anatomy/Physiology
Honors
Physics
Physics Honors
AP Physics I

Mathematics

Math 7
Pre-Algebra 7 Honors
Pre-Algebra 8
Algebra I
Algebra I Honors
Geometry
Geometry Honors
Algebra II
Algebra II Honors
Pre-Calculus
Pre-Calculus Honors
Mathematics for College
Readiness
Calculus
AP Calculus AB

Electives

Middle School Band Middle School Choir Middle School Team Sports Middle School Wheel (Visual Arts, Physical Education, Theatre Arts)

Criminal Justice Operations I*
First Aid & Safety*
Medical Terminology*
Biological Bases of Behavior
High School Arts Production
High School Theatre Arts*
High School Visual Arts*
High School Band
High School Choir
High School Digital Media
HS Foreign Language Lab*
High School Team Sports
High School Weight Training*

^{* =} Semester Courses