## Academic

Courses of Study

ATLANTIC
CHRISTIAN ACADEMY Integrating Faith, Love and Learning

## 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, advanced/honors, AP (advanced placement), and dual enrollment 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 students. Curriculum is academically challenging, and students will experience the demands of college work. Atlantic Christian Academy offers DE courses through Palm Beach State College, Southeastern University, and Grand Canyon University. Courses taken at Palm Beach State are off campus, courses taken at Southeastern University may either be taken on campus and taught by ACA teachers or on-line, and courses at Grand Canyon University are taken on-line. 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. 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

Student Load All students are required to carry seven subjects with a value of seven units of credit during each year of high school, unless special permission is given for fewer subjects.

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 $8^{\text {th }}$ 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.

## Course Selection

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

## AP Classes

Biology
Calculus AB
European History
Language \& Composition
Microeconomics*
Physics I
Psychology
U.S. Government \& Politics*
U.S. History

Human Geography

## DE Classes

English Composition I English Composition II College
Algebra
College Success
Principled Leadership

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

Medical Endorsement Classes

Anatomy\&Physiology Honors
AP Biology
AP Psychology
Biology Honors
Chemistry Honors
First Aid \& Safety*
Medical Terminology*

Bible
Biblical Worldview Old
Testament Survey New
Testament Survey
Apologetics
World Religions
Countercultural Living

## Science

Life Science 7
Earth Science 8
Physical Science Physical
Science Honors Biology
Biology Honors
AP Biology
Chemistry
Chemistry Honors
Anatomy\&Physiology
Anatomy\&Physiology
Honors
Marine Science Physics
Physics Honors
AP Physics I

Language Arts
English 7
English 8
English I
English I Honors
English II
English II Honors
English III
English III Honors
English IV
English IV Honors
AP Language \& Composition AP Microeconomics*
AP Literature \& Composition AP Psychology

## Mathematics

Math 7
Pre-Algebra
Algebra I
Algebra I Honors Geometry
Geometry Honors
Algebra II
Algebra II Honors
Pre-Calculus
Pre-Calculus Honors
Mathematics for College
Algebra
Calculus
AP Calculus AB
Math for College Liberal Arts
Financial Literacy

## Social Studies

World Studies 7
American History 8
World Cultural Geography
World History
AP European History
United States History
AP United States History
United States Government*
AP U.S. Gov. \& Politics*
Economics*

## Electives

(Grades 7 \& 8)
Computer Science Discoveries*
Band
Chorus*
Dance*
Musical Theatre*
HOPE/PE/Team Sports*
Theatre Arts*
Visual Arts*
(Grades 9-12)
2D Visual Arts*
Band
Chorus
Criminal Justice Operations I*
Entrepreneurship
First Aid \& Safety*
HOPE
Introduction to Business
Medical Terminology*
Personal Financial Literacy
Pre-AP Drama
Spanish 1 \& 2
Speech*
Team Sports/Weight Training*
Technical Theatre Design
Production*
Theatre Arts*

