

AP Capstone Program

Tupelo High School
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AP Capstone

- * AP Capstone is an innovative program that equips students with the independent research, collaborative teamwork, and communication skills valued by colleges.
- * Program is based on two new courses: AP Seminar & AP Research.
- * Developed in response to feedback from Higher Education, AP Capstone will launch this school year in 139 schools world-wide.
- * Tupelo High was selected as one of the 220 schools world-wide that will begin in the fall of 2015. We are the only high school in Mississippi selected to implement AP Capstone.

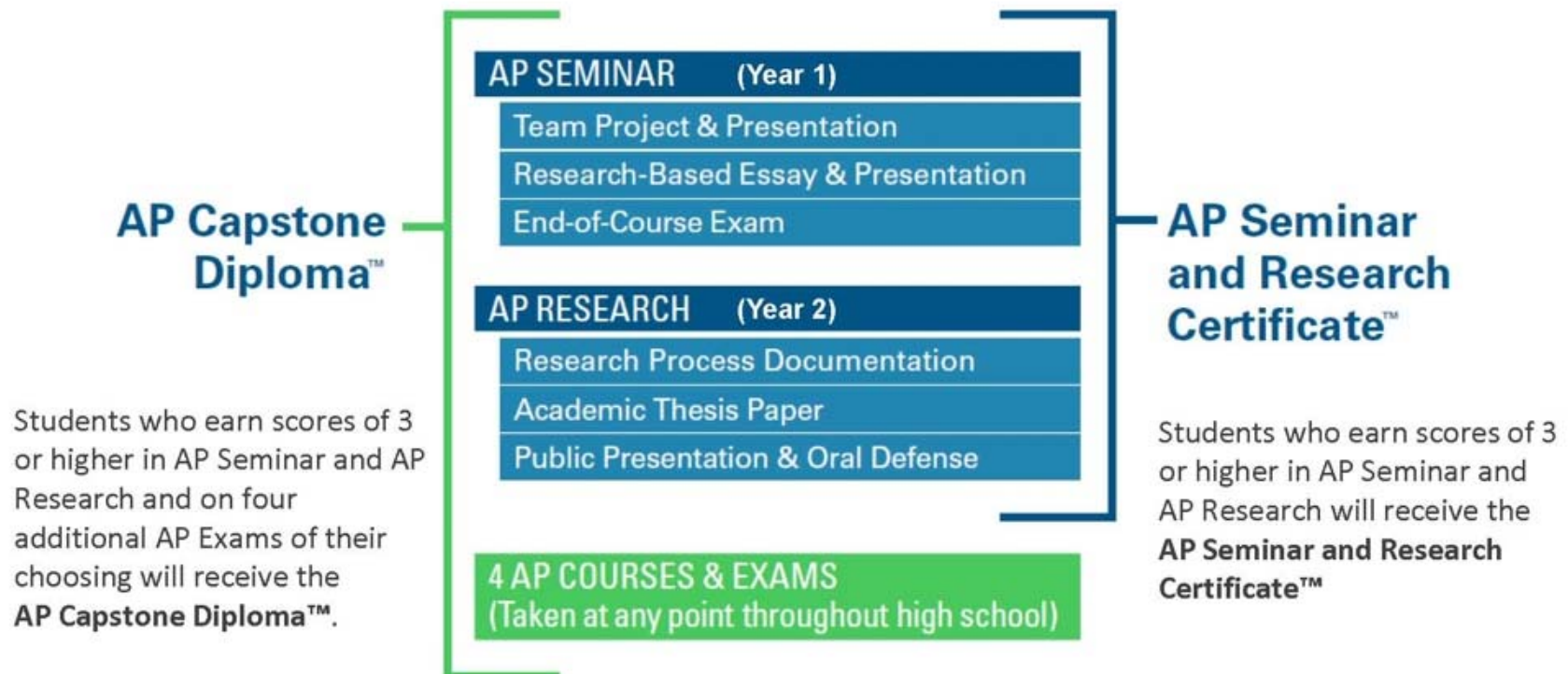
The AP Capstone program empowers students to:

- * Synthesize information from multiple perspectives.
- * Apply skills in new situations and cross-curricular contexts.
- * Collect and analyze information with accuracy and precision.
- * Craft, communicate, and defend evidence-based arguments.
- * Practice disciplined and scholarly research skills while exploring relevant topics that appeal to their interests and curiosity.

Program Structure

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A flexible two-course sequence that engages students in rigorous college-level curricula while promoting the critical skills needed for success in college and beyond.



Implementation Model

- * Implementation in Grades 10-11, 11-12, or 10 & 12
- * School-based specializations or subject clusters
- * Traditional or Block Schedule
- * Rigorous, standardized capstone experience can enhance existing capstone and research projects

Student Selection

- * No specific eligibility requirements for AP Capstone
- * Flexibility to offer AP Capstone at multiple grade levels
 - * Consider student selection in the context of the existing school curriculum
 - * Enhance student performance in AP content area instruction
 - * Prepare students for success in the first year of higher education