

Course: AP Environmental Science 1,2		Course # 6455
Credits: 1 credit each semester, 2 credits total for the year	Commitment: Two Semester course	Grade: 11-12
A-G Category: meets "D" requirement	Estimated Homework Time: 40 mins/night	
Level of Difficulty:	Moderate	Difficult ☒ Very Difficult
Recommended Prerequisite: Completion of Biology 1,2 with a grade A; OR Completion of Advanced Biology with grade A or B; OR Completion of AP Bio with grade C or higher; AND Completion or concurrent enrollment of Chemistry Earth Systems 1,2.		

Course Description:

Honors Preparatory Course (HP). This course meets the University of California's d (laboratory science) subject area requirement. AP Environmental Science (APES) is designed to be the equivalent of a one semester, introductory college course in environmental science. The course goal is to provide students with the scientific principles, concepts, and methodologies required to understand the interrelationships of the natural world. Students will apply this knowledge to identify and analyze environmental problems (both natural and human-made), evaluate the relative risks associated with these problems and examine alternate solutions for resolving and/or preventing them.

Students should possess a better than average level of reading comprehension. This is a rigorous course and the time commitment varies greatly, but in general students must be prepared to spend at least an average of 45 minutes outside of class time per hour of class time to successfully complete the course. Students who take this course are encouraged to take the AP test in May. Most colleges and universities require a student to take the AP exam if they want the opportunity to earn college credit.

Recommended Skills: Reading comprehension, problem solving, organized study habits, subject area interest.

Syllabus link: Please refer to your teacher's website for syllabus and specifics about their class