Bringing Service Learning to AP Courses

About AP®
The College Board’s Advanced Placement Program® (AP®) enables students to take AP courses and exams. They demonstrate to college admission officers that they have sought out an intellectually rigorous experience that will prepare them for success in college and beyond. Students and universities have long recognized AP courses and exams as a thorough measure of college achievement. Students who are successful in AP typically experience greater academic success in college than those who don’t take AP or WE.

About WE
WE is an education-activated platform that makes doing good, doable. The WE Schools program brings service learning into the classroom across the United States, Canada, and the UK.

Why We’re Partnering
The College Board and WE share a passion for enriching students’ learning experiences and developing well-rounded citizens. By combining the academic rigor of AP with the education and citizenship model of WE, AP with WE Service creates an opportunity for students to consider their classroom work and how it applies to real-world issues, while working closely with their peers to address social issues.

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Changing the World Starts in the Classroom

Introducing...

AP® with WE Service, a program that engages students in service-learning activities to strengthen their understanding of AP course content and skills. The program integrates the WE Learning Framework and resources into the AP experience, enabling students to apply academic learning to service initiatives.

New Skills Applied to Real-World Opportunities

Teachers will guide students in applying content and skills from their AP courses to real-world social topics.

The program is available in all AP courses.

The Service-Learning Advantage

Not simply volunteering or doing community service, service learning is based on a structured academic foundation.

Participating teachers will:

- Connect the rigor of the AP experience with service-learning opportunities
- Foster broader academic discussions via the interactive and problem-based nature of service learning
- Access relevant tools and resources to help students make the most of their service-learning experience
- Enable students to learn about local, national, and global issues, engage with communities, and become agents for change

Students who successfully complete the program will:

- Earn the AP with WE Service Recognition on their official ETS Score Reports
- Apply academic learning to real-life settings and situations
- Enhance their leadership and social skills, critical thinking abilities, and civic engagement and responsibility
- Understand the role they can play in making a positive impact on local and global issues

For Information

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