

Should I Take Advanced Placement European History???

The decision about whether or not you should take an Advanced Placement (AP) class is not an easy one. It represents a serious commitment to a class that will be taught at a college level of work and expectations. You can expect the following benefits and responsibilities:

Benefits:

- *passing the AP test can give you college credits
- *taking AP classes looks good on college applications
- *AP European History will prepare you for AP United States History, AP Government and IB History of the Americas
- *AP European History is a more challenging course that will provide you with greater skills and a more in-depth analysis of European History
- *AP classes prepare you for college by exposing you to that level of education while in high school

Responsibilities:

- *all students enrolled in AP European History are expected to take the AP test
- *the textbook is college level and requires advanced reading and comprehension skills
- *students will be expected to complete outside reading, research, and papers as part of the course
- *students can expect 50-100 pages of reading per week
- *students are expected to be enrolled in Honors English or have received an "A" both semesters in College Prep English
- *a large portion of the course is advanced historical analytical writing that requires active thought and analysis

If you have any questions regarding these items, feel free to contact Mr. Busby in room D5 or via email at jbusby@lvusd.org