

Vrije Universiteit (VU) Amsterdam: College Board AP Exam score requirements

for English-taught Bachelor's programmes



General diploma requirement

- a recognised U.S. curriculum High School Diploma (obtained within the United States, or as completed U.S.-Patterned Education outside of the United States)

...is sufficient to meet the general diploma requirement for (conditional) admission to the VU Amsterdam English-taught Bachelor's programmes, **but only in combination with:**

- at least 4 [College Board AP Exam Scores](#) of 3, 4 or 5.
AP Seminar, AP Research, AP Capstone and vocational subjects are not accepted.
OR
- at least 1 year of credits in academic education obtained at an internationally recognised university



Accreditation: additionally, the high school issuing the diploma needs to be fully accredited on either state-level or regionally by one of the official U.S. accreditation bodies (ASCWASC, Cognia, MSA-CESS, NEASC). In the case of international schools accreditation by [CIS](#) or [NCPSA](#) is also accepted.



English language requirement

Applicants can meet the language requirements with:

- A secondary education or higher education diploma* obtained after successfully completing English-taught education in Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, the United Kingdom or the United States of America
**equivalent to at least [EQF level 4](#)*
OR
- AP College Board exam 'English Language and Composition' or 'English Literature and Composition': minimum score of 3 (as part of the combination of a high school diploma + 4 AP exams score 3-5)
- One of the approved English language proficiency tests with minimum passing score as listed on www.vu.nl/language-requirements



Programme-specific requirements

Students may need to fulfill specific subject, grade and selection requirements, depending on the programme/major they are applying for.

Is the general diploma requirement met, but do the AP College Board exams not meet the subject requirement? Then you can find alternative options mentioned on [the programme page](#) under "Admissions".

AP

College Board exam requirements:

School of Business and Economics

Bachelor's programme	Required AP subject (completed with min. score 3)
Economics and Business Economics	Mathematics: AP Calculus AB or BC
Econometrics and Data Science	Mathematics: AP Calculus BC
Econometrics and Operations Research	Mathematics: AP Calculus BC
International Business Administration (IBA)	Mathematics: AP Calculus AB or BC

Faculty of Science

Bachelor's programme	Required AP subject (completed with min. score 3)
Artificial Intelligence (A.I.)	Mathematics: AP Calculus AB or BC
Business Analytics	Mathematics: AP Calculus BC
Computer Science	Mathematics: AP Calculus AB or BC
Mathematics	Mathematics: AP Calculus BC

John Stuart Mill College: Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE)

Bachelor's programme	Required AP subject (completed with min. score 3)
Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE)	Mathematics: AP Calculus AB or BC GPA requirement: B+ calculated over the last 2 years of high school + at least 4 College Board AP exams: at least 3 subject completed with min. score 4 and no score lower than 3

Faculty of Behavioural and Movement Sciences

Bachelor's programme	Required AP subject (completed with min. score 3)
Psychology	Maths: AP Statistics/AP Calculus AB/ AP Calculus BC

Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities

Bachelor's programme	Required AP subject (completed with min. score 3)
Communication Science	Maths: AP Statistics/AP Calculus AB/ AP Calculus BC
Cultural Anthropology and Development Sociology	Maths: AP Statistics/AP Calculus AB/ AP Calculus BC
Political Science: Global Politics	Maths: AP Statistics/AP Calculus AB/ AP Calculus BC
Communication and Information Studies	None
History: History and International Studies	None
Literature and Society: English	None
Media, Art, Design, and Architecture	None
Philosophy	None

Bachelor's programme	Required AP subject (completed with min. score 3)
Law in Society	Maths: AP Statistics/AP Calculus AB/ AP Calculus BC

Other programmes:

Is a programme not listed?

- For Dutch-taught programmes further information can be found on the webpages in Dutch under 'Toelating'.
- For the Bachelor's programmes Liberal Arts and Sciences (Amsterdam University College), Archaeology, Ancient Studies, Mechanical Engineering page, and Creative Technology you can find further information on [the website programme information page](#) under "Admissions".