

**BIENEN SCHOOL OF MUSIC**  
**AP/IB Credit Recognition and Distribution Requirements**

**Distribution Areas:**

- Area I - Natural Sciences
- Area II - Formal Studies
- Area III - Social and Behavioral Sciences
- Area IV - Historical Studies
- Area V - Values
- Area VI - Literature and Fine Arts

**Distribution Requirements:**

Check your “Degree Progress” page on CAESAR for a list of your degree requirements.

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<b>ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) EXAM</b>	<b>SCORE</b>	<b>COURSE CREDIT AUTHORIZED</b>	<b>DISTRIBUTION CREDIT AUTHORIZED</b> (see note above)
Art History	5	1 unit (Art History 2X)	1 unit - Area VI
Studio Art	5	1 unit (Art 1X)	1 unit - Area VI
Biology	5	1 unit (Biology 1X)	1 unit - Area I
Chemistry	3, 4	1 unit (Chem 10I; placement in 171)	1 unit - Area I
	5	3 units (Chem 101, 102, 103); placement in Chem 210-1 or 212-1	1 unit - Area I
Chinese Language and Culture	4	1 unit (Chinese 2X)	1 non-music elective
	5	2 units (Chinese 2X)	2 non-music electives
Computer Science A & AB	4, 5	1 unit (Comp Sci 110)	1 unit - Area II
Economics-Macro	5	1 unit (Economics 201)	1 unit - Area III
Economics-Micro	5	1 unit (Economics 202)	1 unit - Area III
English (Language)	5	2 units (English 1X)	1 unit English Composition, 1 non-music elective
English (Literature)	5	2 units (English 1X)	1 unit - Area VI and 1 non-music elective
Environmental Science	5	1 unit (Env Sci 1X)	1 unit - Area I
French Language	4	1 unit (French 2X)	1 non-music elective
	5	2 units (French 2X)	2 non-music electives
French Literature	4	1 unit (French 2X)	1 unit - Area VI
	5	2 units (French 2X)	1 unit - Area VI and 1 non-music elective
Geography (Human)	5	1 unit (Geography 1X)	1 unit - Area I
German Language	4	1 unit (German 2X)	1 non-music elective
	5	2 units (German 2X)	2 non-music electives
Government (American)	5	1 unit (Poli Sci 2X [Am Govt])	1 unit - Area III
History (European)	5	2 units (History 2X)	1 unit - Area IV and 1 non-music elective

History (U.S.)	5	2 units (History 2X)	1 unit - Area IV and 1 non-music elective
History (World)	5	2 units (History 2X)	1 unit - Area IV and 1 non-music elective
Italian	4	1 unit (Italian 2X)	1 non-music elective
	5	2 units (Italian 2X)	2 non-music electives
Japanese	4	1 unit (Japanese 2X)	1 non-music elective
	5	2 units (Japanese 2X)	2 non-music electives
Latin (Literature/Catullus)	4	1 unit (Latin 1X)	1 non-music elective
	5	2 units (Latin 2X)	2 non-music electives
Latin (Vergil)	4	1 unit (Latin 1X)	1 non-music elective
	5	2 units (Latin 2X)	2 non-music electives
Mathematics AB (or AB subscore of Mathematics BC)	4	1 unit (Math 220)	1 unit - Area II
	5	2 units (Math 220, Math 224)	1 unit - Area II and 1 non-music elective
Mathematics BC	below 4	see Mathematics AB	see AB above
	4,5	2 units (Math 220, Math 224)	1 unit - Area II and 1 non-music elective
Music Theory	5	1 unit (Gen Mus 252)	1 unit music elective*
Physics B	5	2 units (Physics 130-1,2)	1 unit - Area I and 1 non-music elective
Physics C-1	5	1 unit (Physics 135-1)	1 unit - Area I
Physics C-2	5	1 unit (Physics 135-2)	1 unit - Area I
Psychology	4,5	1 unit ( Psychology 110)	1 unit - Area III
Spanish Language	4	1 unit (Spanish 2X)	1 non-music elective
	5	2 units (Spanish 2X)	2 non-music electives
Spanish Literature	4	1 unit (Spanish 2X)	1 unit - Area VI
	5	2 units (Spanish 2X)	1 unit - Area VI and 1 non-music elective
Statistics	4,5	1 unit (Statistics 202)	1 unit - Area II

\*AP Music Theory credit does not replace the music theory requirement for the music degree. Northwestern does not offer credit for AP results in comparative government.

<b>International Baccalaureate (IB) higher level examination</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Northwestern credit</b>	<b>Distribution credit authorized (see note above)</b>
Biology	6,7	1 unit (Biology 1X)	1 unit - Area 1
Chemistry	5,6	1 unit (Chem 101, placement in	1 unit - Area 1

		171)	
Chemistry	7	3 units (Chem 101, 102, 103); placement in Chem 210-1 or 212-1	1 unit - Area I and 2 non-music electives
Computer Science	5,6,7	1 unit (Comp Sci 110)	1 unit - Area II
Economics	6,7	2 units (Econ 201, 202)	1 unit - Area III and 1 non-music elective
English	<6,7	1 unit (English 1X)	1 unit English Composition
History (European or American)	6,7	2 units (History 2X)	1 unit - Area IV and 1 non-music elective
Mathematics	5, 6	1 unit (Math 220)	1 unit - Area II
Mathematics	7	2 units (Math 220, Math 224)	1 unit - Area II and 1 non-music elective

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