



# AP ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

## SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

### COLLEGE BOARD COURSE DESCRIPTION LINK:

 [AP Environmental Science](#)

## PRE-REQUISITE RECOMMENDATIONS

≥ 80% in Biology and Chemistry  
Teacher Recommendation

## GRADUATION & HOPE INFORMATION

This course fulfills the fourth Science requirement for graduation and for admission to the University System of Georgia.

This course qualifies as a HOPE Rigor course.

## MHS COURSE WEBSITE:

[AP Environmental Science](#)



## COURSE DESCRIPTION

The AP Environmental Science course is designed to be the equivalent of a one-semester, introductory college course in environmental science, through which students engage with the scientific principles, concepts, and methodologies required to understand the interrelationships of the natural world. The course requires that students identify and analyze natural and human-made environmental problems, evaluate the relative risks associated with these problems, and examine alternative solutions for resolving or preventing them. Environmental Science is interdisciplinary, embracing topics from geology, biology, environmental studies, environmental science, chemistry, and geography. Environmental science is interdisciplinary; it embraces a wide variety of topics from different areas of study



## TEACHER FEEDBACK

### TIME COMMITMENT:

Students should expect to spend 4-8 hours a week outside of class to be successful in this course.

### TYPES OF WORK IN THIS COURSE:

Less **reading/writing** than other courses.

More **lab work** than other courses.

About the same number of **projects** as other courses.

### STUDENTS SHOULD KNOW:

Students should be prepared for covering a broad range of topics at a fast pace. The challenge of this course is the scope of the content; outside commitment of time will be necessary. Students will need to learn to make connections and come up with solutions where there is no one correct answer.



## STUDENT FEEDBACK

### TIME COMMITMENT:

Half of the students stated that it takes 0-3 hours per week, and 35% of the students stated that they need to take 4-8 hours per week to be successful.

### DIFFICULTY/PACE:

The majority (71%) of the students stated that this course is about the same or less difficult than other AP courses. 64% of the students stated that this course moves about the same pace or slower than other AP courses.