



“It’s helped with all my classes: psychology, philosophy and history. I’ve gotten good grades.”

—CPE student

Why does it work?

- The teachers and administrators participating in this program are committed to students and their learning
- Course content is patterned after college classes
- College and high school faculty work cooperatively throughout the year and read mid-terms and final exams together
- Students have a full year to complete the material that college students complete in one semester

“This course improves the classroom environment. . . it improves the value of academics in the classroom. . . it keeps students looking ahead to college.”

—High School CPE teacher

For more information:

Visit the College Prep English web site at www.glendale.edu/title5/120_cpe/CPE_prog.htm.

Check with your counselor to see if this program is offered on your campus and get information on enrollment.

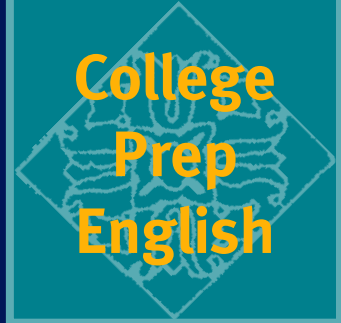
College Prep. English is currently available at 7 high schools in Glendale and Burbank. For information on establishing a program at your high school, contact the GCC English Division at 818-240-1000 x5606.

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College Prep English

What is College Prep. English?

College Prep. English (CPE) is one option for 12th grade English that assures students' readiness for college. The course includes:

- Reading about contemporary issues
- Taking a position on interesting issues of the day and supporting that position effectively with evidence from the readings
- Developing research skills
- Writing the type of well-developed, thesis-based essays college classes require

The course, patterned after college courses, meets the requirements for 12th grade English for all universities and colleges, including Glendale Community College (GCC). Generally, students who have completed this course report that they have placed into Freshman English at UCs and CSUs; students who earn a “C” or better in this course and choose to attend GCC are automatically placed into Freshman English.

Why take College Prep. English?

You will:

- Enter college ready to succeed in all classes, not just English
- Avoid having to take a college-prep. English class at college as more than 50% of college students in California now do
- Avoid using your limited college financial aid or EOP&S dollars to pay for college-prep English
- Avoid having to take the English placement test at GCC if you get a “C” or better
- Get through college for less money and in less time

Who should take College Prep. English?

Any high school student who wants to be more prepared for college. High school counselors and faculty work with GCC to determine the most appropriate senior English class for each student. If you are a high school junior and want to get better

prepared for college, talk with your counselor to find out if this program is right for you.

“I learned more in this class than I did in all my classes combined from 9th grade to 12th grade.”

—Former College Prep. English student

A collaborative effort

The English Collaborative was established at Glendale Community College to increase the number of students entering freshman composition directly from high school. High school and college faculty share best practices, assignments, texts, and the grading of student writing in order to ensure effective preparation of college-bound seniors. A web site of support materials aids the efforts of both students and faculty. Students who have taken College Prep. English as high school seniors are succeeding in College English and all college courses as well as or better than students who take the equivalent course at GCC.