



HSLDA ONLINE ACADEMY

Live Online Class Session Schedule

for the 2015–16 Academic Year

Please be aware that some courses and sections may fill up before the end of the registration period. Visit academy.hslda.org/courses for up-to-date information.

	11:00-12:00	12:00-1:00	1:00-2:00	2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00	4:00-5:00	5:00-6:00	6:00-7:00	7:00-8:00	8:00-9:00	9:00-10:00
ET	11:00-12:00	12:00-1:00	1:00-2:00	2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00	4:00-5:00	5:00-6:00	6:00-7:00	7:00-8:00	8:00-9:00	9:00-10:00
CT	10:00-11:00	11:00-12:00	12:00-1:00	1:00-2:00	2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00	4:00-5:00	5:00-6:00	6:00-7:00	7:00-8:00	8:00-9:00
MT	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00	11:00-12:00	12:00-1:00	1:00-2:00	2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00	4:00-5:00	5:00-6:00	6:00-7:00	7:00-8:00
PT	8:00-9:00	9:00-10:00	10:00-11:00	11:00-12:00	12:00-1:00	1:00-2:00	2:00-3:00	3:00-4:00	4:00-5:00	5:00-6:00	6:00-7:00
M		World History SECTION 3	English 1 SECTION 1	English 1 SECTION 2		Algebra 1 SECTION 2		English Language SECTION 1	European History SECTION 1	Algebra 1 SECTION 1	English Literature ALL Sections**
			English Language SECTION 5				U.S. Government SECTION 2 Spring		U.S. Government SECTION 3 Spring		
T		U.S. History SECTION 1	Algebra 1 SECTION 3	English 1 SECTION 3		English Literature SECTION 1	U.S. Government ALL Sections** (Spring)		World History SECTION 1		
						English 1 SECTION 7		English Literature SECTION 2			
						U.S. History SECTION 3	English 1 SECTION 4		English Language SECTION 4		
W		English 1 SECTION 6	English Language SECTION 2	U.S. History SECTION 2	English Language SECTION 3					Micro. (Fall) Macro. (Spring) SECTION 1	
			English 1 SECTION 8								
TR				World History SECTION 2		English Literature SECTION 3			Calculus AB SECTION 1		Calculus AB SECTION 2
									U.S. Government SECTION 1 (Spring)	Micro. (Fall) Macro. (Spring) SECTION 2	
									English 1 SECTION 5		

****Note:** Times marked "ALL Class Sections" (applies to AP® English Literature & Composition and AP® U.S. Government & Politics) are periodic meeting times for all students taking the same course subject, regardless of class section. These large group meetings do not take place every week, and exact dates will be announced during the course.

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Are students required to attend the live class sessions at the scheduled time? What if I have a schedule conflict?

Live, interactive webinar sessions in the online classroom are an important part of HSLDA Online Academy courses. Ideally, every student would have the opportunity to participate weekly in real time. However, the HSLDA Academy staff and teachers understand that this is not always possible: some students have conflicting academic commitments; others have frequent travel for debate or competitive sports; a few live in time zones that would require them to get up in the middle of the night to join the live class sessions.

To meet all of the requirements of a course, it's not strictly necessary to attend the webinar sessions at the scheduled time. A student who cannot participate live is expected to 1) communicate to the Classroom Teacher that he or she has a conflict, 2) watch the recording of the online session, and 3) be proactive about communicating with the Classroom Teacher on a regular basis, to get answers to questions. A student might be asked to fulfill the participation requirement in a different way, such as submitting questions for the live session in advance or emailing the Classroom Teacher after watching the recording.

Each course is different; missing a math or science live session where the instructor goes over how to solve a problem may be different from missing a discussion-based session. And each student is different; how your experience differs between participating “live” and viewing live session recordings will depend on your learning style. Whether it works for your schedule to attend sessions “live” or not, interaction is a part of the course for *every HSLDA Online Academy student*—for example, on class discussion boards, through email exchanges, in a “Virtual Office” forum, or in writing or lab groups.

I notice that there is typically one live class session per week. Does that mean there's only one hour of instruction per week?

No—instruction in a HSLDA Online Academy course is conveyed during the scheduled weekly session *and* through unscheduled, flexible curriculum materials that students can access at their own convenience. Here are some examples of how this looks in particular courses:

- In **AP[®] Calculus AB**, the instructor introduces each lesson's concepts using lecture slides with audio narration and digital tablet technology to illustrate step-by-step problem solving.
- In **AP[®] English Language and Composition**, students learn from a variety of online media—readings, audio, and video.
- In **AP[®] US Government and Politics**, a video lecture addresses each major topic; lecture outlines, review games, and flash cards are available to help students study.

On the schedule, some courses appear more than once, followed by a different section number. What is a “section”?

HSLDA Online Academy uses “section” in roughly the same way it is used in college scheduling. During a given term, students may have the option to take the same course at a variety of different scheduled times, or with a number of different instructors.

Two sections are two different instances of the same course, and students in Section 1 will have the same curriculum as students in Section 2. However, they will meet at different times for their weekly live sessions. And, when they participate in online discussions, they will be participating along with the subgroup of students who make up their particular section. (An exception to this general rule occurs in AP[®] U.S. Government and Politics and AP[®] English Literature and Composition, both of which have periodic large-group sessions in which students from all class sections will join together.)

Frequently Asked Questions *about Live Sessions, Class Sections, and Course Schedules... continued*

The “Master Teacher” (the instructor who designed the curriculum and is responsible for overseeing the course) is always the same between sections. Some courses will have different “Classroom Teachers,” each responsible for working closely with the students in a particular class section; in other courses, the same Classroom Teacher works with multiple sections.

Class sections typically have between 25 and 35 students each. Some class sections may fill up before the end of the registration period. To see whether a particular section is full, please go to the Course Listing page, academy.hslda.org/courses, and click on the course you are interested in to view up-to-date information about section closings. You may also direct your questions about class openings to the HSLDA Online Academy staff at 540-338-8290 or academy@hslda.org.

The class section I want to sign up for is closed. Can I be put on a waiting list?

If you are interested in a section that is listed as closed, please contact the HSLDA Online Academy office (540-338-8290 or academy@hslda.org) and the Academy will let you know if any new spaces have opened up. We do not currently use a formal waiting list system to manage requests to join closed classes, and there is no guaranteed priority order for filling new openings in closed classes. However, we want to be aware of who is interested in any openings that do become available, and will do our best to help as many students as possible get into the classes they want to take.