

AACE TASK FORCE FINDINGS: AP BIOLOGY

Category	#	Descriptor	AP Biology
CONTENT	1	Presents content related to broad issues, themes or problems	3
CONTENT	2	Integrates multiple disciplines	3
CONTENT	3	Presents comprehensive, related, and mutually reinforcing experiences	3
CONTENT	4	Allows for in-depth learning of a self-selected topic	2
CONTENT	5	Addresses dilemmas, controversies, biases, and ethical questions involved in the discipline	3
CONTENT	6	Addresses "unanswered questions" or issues still not understood about this discipline	3
CONTENT	7	Requires students to formulate questions, predict and hypothesize about these questions, and then judge the credibility of these explanations	3
CONTENT	8	Fosters connection between content and potential career fields and/or leadership opportunities	3
CONTENT	9	Offers opportunities for students to engage in activities aligned with students' individual strengths, preferences or interests	2
CONTENT	10	Pulls information from varied resources and media (such as texts, books, articles, and primary source material)	3
CONTENT	11	Allows for the acceleration of content in an area of strength	2
CONTENT	12	Integrates fine arts with content learning	1
CONTENT	13	Accelerates learning of basic skills through complex presentation	3
CONTENT	14	Links emotion and experience to learning	2
AVERAGE			2.6
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PROCESS	1	Develops independent or self-directed study skills	2
PROCESS	2	Focuses on open-ended tasks	3
PROCESS	3	Integrates basic skills with higher-level thinking skills	3
PROCESS	4	Develops complex, abstract, and/or higher order thinking skills	3
PROCESS	5	Develops a research-oriented model for acquiring and synthesizing information	3
PROCESS	6	Encourages the acquisition of skills, methodologies, and dispositions of professionals practicing in the field	3
PROCESS	7	Offers an array of learning opportunities that include whole-class, small-group, and individual instruction and activities	3

PROCESS	8	Offers out-of-school learning options	2
PROCESS	9	Offers assignments that include visual and verbal components	3
PROCESS	10	Uses graphic organizers to develop concepts	2
AVERAGE			2.7
Category		Descriptor	AP Biology
PRODUCT	1	Develops products that challenge existing ideas and produce "new" ideas	3
PRODUCT	2	Develops products that use new techniques, materials, and forms	3
PRODUCT	3	Evaluates student outcomes through self-appraisal, criterion-referenced, and/or standardized instruments	3
PRODUCT	4	Develops products related to real-world applications or problem solving	3
PRODUCT	5	Offers opportunities for students to interact with role models, community resources, or professionals in the field	1
PRODUCT	6	Offers opportunities for in-class projects and homework	1
AVERAGE			2.3
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AFFECT	1	Encourages the development of self-understanding	2
AFFECT	2	Encourages growth and change in the student's abilities and personal outlooks	2
AFFECT	3	Includes mentors/tutors who share common interests and talents with students	1
AVERAGE			1.7

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