College Admissions

A-G Requirements & More



What are the A-G Requirements?

- A list of approved college-prep courses that are required to be eligible to apply to a 4 year university in CA
- These requirements go above and beyond the graduation requirements
- Meeting A-G requirements does not mean taking extra classes- it means taking the CORRECT courses
- Not all classes are A-G. Double check with your counselor before signing up for classes- especially electives

SUBJECT A- "HISTORY" 2 YEARS REQUIRED

Two years, including one year of world history, cultures and historical geography AND

one year of U.S. history **OR** one-half year of U.S. history and one-half year of American

government or civics.

- World History or AP World (taken during 10th grade)
- US History or History IB 1(taken during 11th grade)
- Civics or History IB 2 (taken during 12th grade)

SUBJECT B- "ENGLISH"

4 YEARS REQUIRED

Four years of college preparatory English that integrates reading of classic and modern

literature, frequent and regular writing, and practice listening and speaking.

- English I or English I Honors (taken during 9th grade)
- English II, English II Honors, or AP English Language (taken during 10th grade)
- English III or English IB L1 (taken during 11th grade)
- ERWC or English IB L2 (taken during 12 grade)

SUBJECT C- "MATH" 3 YEARS REQUIRED (4 YEARS RECOMMENDED)

Three years of college-preparatory math, including or integrating the topics

covered in elementary and advanced algebra and two- and three-dimensional geometry.

- Integrated Math I or Integrated Math I Honors (taken during 9th grade)
- Integrated Math II or Integrated Math II Honors (taken during 10th grade)
- Integrated Math III or Integrated Math III Honors (taken during 11th grade)
- Statistics, AP Statistics, AP Calculus, or Math IB (taken during 12 grade)

SUBJECT D- "SCIENCE"

2 YEARS REQUIRED (3 YEARS RECOMMENDED)

Two years of laboratory science providing fundamental knowledge in at least two of the three disciplines of biology, chemistry and physics.

- The Living Earth or The Living Earth Honors (taken during 9th grade)
- Chemistry or Chemistry Honors (taken during 10th grade)
- Anatomy, IB Chemistry, Physics, AP Physics, IB Environmental, or IB Bio (taken 11th or 12th grade)

SUBJECT E- "FOREIGN LANGUAGE"

2 YEARS REQUIRED (3 YEARS RECOMMENDED)

 Two years of the same language other than English or equivalent to the second level of high school instruction.

- Spanish I, Spanish for Spanish Speakers, or French I (taken during 9th grade)
- Spanish II, Emerging Literature, or French II (taken during 10th grade)
- Spanish Emerging Literature, Spanish IB I or French III (taken during 11th grade)
- Spanish IB 2 or French IB (taken during 12th grade)

SUBJECT F- "FINE ART" 1 YEAR REQUIRED

One year chosen from dance, music, theater or the visual arts.

- Art I, Art II, Art II
- Ceramics I, Ceramics II
- Digital Photography
- Contemporary Media
- Choir, Glee, Chamber Singers
- Concert Band, Jazz Band, Symphonic Band
- Dance II, Dance III
- Ballet Folkoricio Interm & Adv.
- Theater I, II, III

SUBJECT G- "ELECTIVE"

1 YEAR REQUIRED

One year chosen from the "a-f" courses beyond those used to satisfy the requirements

above, or courses that have been approved solely in the elective area.

- Psychology, AP Psychology
- Ethnic Studies
- 11th & 12th Grade HEAL classes
- 10th Grade DATA class
- AVID courses

GRADE REQUIREMENTS

- Students must earn a C or higher in all A-G courses in order to remain eligible!
- If students receive a D or F, they can retake the course either in their schedule the following year but it is recommended to attend summer school
- Summer school applications are given out in April

TESTING REQUIREMENTS

- Students must take either the SAT or ACT in order to apply to a 4 year university
- Students can take the PSAT 9th, 10th, and 11th
- It is recommended that students take the SAT 2nd semester of 11th grade and again 12th
- Fee waivers are available for those that qualify using the Educational Benefit Form