

Subject Requirements (A-G Coursework)

To satisfy this requirement you must complete 15 yearlong college preparatory (A-G) high school courses. At least 11 of these course must be completed by your senior year. Additionally, some of these requirements can be satisfied through college coursework or by examination. The high school courses you take must be certified by your school's UC-certified course list.* Additionally, you must earn a GPA of 3.0 or better in these courses with no grade lower than a C.

*For an approved A-G course list for your school visit:
<https://hs-articulation.ucop.edu/agcourselist>

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A-History/Social Science-2 years required, 3 years recommended

B-English-4 years required

C-Mathematics-3 years required, 4 years recommended

D-Laboratory Science-2 years required, 3 years recommended

E-Language other than English-2 years required, 3 years recommended

F-Visual and Performing Arts (VPA)-1 year required

G-Electives (P/H/AP)-1 year required



Four Systems of Higher Education in California

California Community Colleges (CCC)

The system of two-year public institutions, composed of 112 colleges. CCC provide workforce training, certificate and Associate Degree programs, and preparation for transfer to four-year institutions. CCC are a great alternative for students seeking lower costs, job training, exploration when you're not sure what you want to do, aren't ready to leave home, are just looking for a fresh start or second chance at your top choice 4 year university.

For more information on CCC visit:
<http://home.cccapply.org/colleges/explore>

Four Systems of Higher Education in California

California Community Colleges (CC)

Example: Santa Barbara City College (SBCC)



Cost of attendance: Approximately \$7,438 (living @ home)
\$19,290 (living away from home)

Programs: 2-year institution

- A.S./A.A.

- Certificates/Licensing

- Courses required for transfer to a 4-year university

- Enrichment and job skill courses

Admission Requirements: No subject requirements. Must be a high school graduate and 18 years old. Math and English assessment exams are required for new students to be placed at their appropriate skill level.

Four Systems of Higher Education in California

California State University (CSU)

With 23 campuses, the CSU system is the largest, most diverse and affordable university systems in the country. Students are offered a liberal arts education and preparation for a variety of professional careers such as teachers, nurses, social workers, and engineers through “hands on learning” Students attending a CSU work towards earning 4-year degrees, known as Bachelor Degrees. Some CSUs offer graduate programs.

For more information on the CSU visit:
www.csumentor.edu

Four Systems of Higher Education in California

California State University (CSU)

Example: CSU, Channel Islands (CSUCI)

Cost of attendance: Approximately \$26,156

Programs: 4-year undergraduate and graduate institution

B.S./B.A.

M.A./M.S./Teaching Credential

Ed.D, Ph.D (limited campuses)

Admissions Requirements: A-G coursework (grades are the most important factor in CSU admission decisions) and SAT Reasoning or ACT exam required. Math and English placement exams are required for students to be placed at their appropriate skill level.



Four Systems of Higher Education in California

University of California (UC)

The campuses of the University of California provide exciting environments that foster world-class educational and research opportunities. The 10 UC campuses offer a broad range of theoretical studies to prepare students for graduate and professional work. Students attending a UC campus work towards earning 4-year degrees, known as Bachelor Degrees, or on graduate work, known as Master or Doctorate Degrees.

For more information on the UC visit: www.universityofcalifornia.edu

Four Systems of Higher Education in California

University of California (UC)

Example: UC, Santa Barbara (UCSB)

Cost of attendance: Approximately \$35,834

Programs: Four-Year undergraduate and graduate institution

B.S./B.A.

M.A./M.S./Ph.D.

Teaching Credential

Pre-Professional

Requirements: A-G coursework and SAT Reasoning or ACT exams. SAT Subject Tests are NOT* required, however, you may submit scores to demonstrate your mastery of a particular subject.

*Some campuses MAY require certain Subject Tests for some competitive majors (such as engineering).



Four Systems of Higher Education in California

Independent Colleges and Universities

California has more than 75 independent colleges and universities ranging from large to small liberal arts institutions, colleges offering faith-based, performing and visual arts, as well as professional schools that specialize in business, law, medicine, and more. Entrance requirements will vary from campus to campus and most students receive some form of financial aid.

For more information on independent colleges/universities visit:
www.aiccu.edu

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Example: Westmont College

Cost of attendance: Approximately \$57,400



Programs: 4-year undergraduate and graduate institution.

Please contact your campus of interest for more information regarding specific majors, graduate program offerings, areas of specialization, religious affiliations, etc.

Requirements: Prefer students who have met the A-G requirements. Most campuses will require the SAT Reasoning or ACT exam. Please contact your campus of interest for more information.

Building Competitiveness

Course placements-Take advantage of community college and Advanced Placement (AP) classes. Doing so will demonstrate to colleges that you are serious about your academic preparation for college level work.

Extracurricular activities-Colleges like to see students that have diverse resumes. Sports and clubs are also important to gaining social skills, problem solving, and developing leadership. Activities outside of school and summer programs are great too!

Community service-Be unique! Also take community service as an opportunity to explore a potential career interest.

With extracurricular activities and community service, colleges are looking for consistency and longevity.

