Graduation - College Entrance Comparison Chart



Subject Area	OUSD Graduation Requirements 230 Credits	California State University (CSU) "A-G"	University of California (UC) "A-G"	Highly Selective Private Universities
Social Science (A)	3 Years	2 Years	2 Years	3 Years
English (B)	4 Years	4 Years	4 Years	4 Years
Math (C)	2 Years Must include Algebra I	3 Years (through Algebra II) (4 Years Recommended)	3 Years (through Algebra II) (4 Years Recommended)	4 Years
Science (D)	2 Years One year Life One year Physical	2 Years Lab Science One year Life One year Physical (3 years Recommended)	2 Years Lab Science One year Life One year Physical (3 Years Recommended) (4 Years Preferred)	3 Years Lab Science (4 Years Preferred)
World	1 Year (<u>OR</u> 1 Year	2 Years	2 Years	3 Years
Languages/LOTE (E)	Fine Art OR CTE)	(3 Years Recommended)	(3 Years Recommended)	(4 Years Recommended)
Fine Art (F)	1 Year (<u>OR</u> 1 Year of a World Language)	1 Year Visual/ Performing Arts	1 Year Visual/ Performing Arts	
Additional Requirements (G)	2 Years PE; 5 Credits of Health; 5 Credits of Freshman Seminar or AVID; and Additional Electives for a total of 230 credits	1 Year College Prep Elective (Minimum)	1 Year College Prep Elective (Minimum)	Additional College Prep Electives

UC/CSU:

Recommend completing more than the minimum requirements.

Private Universities:

Parents and students must verify entrance requirements with each individual school.

Testing:

SAT Subject Tests are not required for admission to the UC, but *may be recommended* for certain majors. Students can choose to submit their scores for consideration as part of their application just as they do with AP scores.

Course Selection:

Math, Science, and World Languages are sequential courses and placement in subsequent levels is dependent upon the student completing the previous level with a grade of "C" or better.

***Highly selective colleges may require a student to engage in a more rigorous plan of study to remain competitive; however, coursework should challenge but not overwhelm the student. Students need to consider their schedule (including extracurricular activities) as well as their post-secondary and career goals when deciding on a plan of study. Students are encouraged to take the most challenging courses possible while *keeping in mind the academic rigor and time required* to be successful in each. Students ought to review the recommended course preparation and consult with their parents, teachers, and counselors prior to choosing their classes.