



EAST SIDE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Graduation and College Entrance Requirements

In order to earn a diploma from the East Side Union High School District, students must pass 220 credits in the areas shown below.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Student must meet **one** of the following requirements:
 - Earn a high school diploma.
 - Pass the California High School Proficiency Exam.
 - Pass the GED.
 - Be 18 years of age or older.
2. Students must take placement exams in Math and English.
3. Students who plan to transfer from a community college to a 4-year college/university are still encouraged to take the UC **a-g** sequence of classes during high school in order to be prepared for college-level coursework.

COLLEGE TESTING RECOMMENDATIONS

Shown below is a recommendation of when students should take/re-take required college entrance exams.

- **For UC/CSU - PSAT** in October of the 10th and 11th grade. The PSAT is excellent practice for the SAT Reasoning Test.
- **For UC - SAT Reasoning Test** or **ACT Assessment plus Writing** in the spring of 11th grade.
- **For UC - SAT Reasoning Test** or **ACT Assessment plus Writing** retest in the fall of 12th grade to improve your score.
- **For UC - 2 SAT Subject Tests** usually taken at the end of the year the subject area course is completed. (**see reverse for UC SAT Subject examination update**)
- **For CSU - SAT Reasoning Test** or **ACT Assessment** in the spring of 11th grade.
- **For CSU - SAT Reasoning Test** or **ACT Assessment** retest in the fall of 12th grade to improve your score.

Useful Web Sites:

CSU = www.csumentor.edu

UC = www.universityofcalifornia.edu

Community College = <http://home.cccapply.org/>

College Board = www.collegeboard.org

California Colleges (college/career planning) = www.californiacolleges.edu

ACT = www.actstudent.org

AP = <https://apstudent.collegeboard.org>

SAT = www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/reg.html

EAP/CSU = www.calstate.edu/eap

East Side Union High School District = www.esuhsd.org

Fast Web (Scholarship Site) = www.fastweb.com

Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) = www.fafsa.ed.gov

Fin Aid = www.finaid.org

Dream Act = <https://dream.csac.ca.gov/>

Scholarships.com = www.scholarships.com

U.S. Dept. of Education = www.ed.gov/students

Subject	Requirement	Credits
<i>English</i>	Students must pass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 4 years of English 	40
<i>Social Science</i>	Students must pass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1 year of World History ▪ 1 year of United States History ▪ 1 semester of Economics ▪ 1 semester of American Government 	30
<i>Mathematics</i>	Students must pass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Algebra 1 or CCSS Math 1 ▪ Geometry or CCSS Math 2 (or higher level courses) 	20
<i>Science</i>	Students must pass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1 year of physical and 1 year of biological college prep lab science that satisfies the University of California a-g course sequence 	20
<i>Fine Arts or Foreign Language</i>	Students must pass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1-year course in Fine Arts <i>or</i> Foreign Language 	10
<i>Physical Education</i>	Students must pass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2 years of Physical Education (1 year must be taken in grade 9) 	20
<i>Electives</i>	Students must pass elective courses chosen in the following areas: Art, Business, Home Economics Careers and Technology, English, Foreign Language, Math, Music, Industrial Technology Education, P.E., Reading, Science, Social Science, Safety Education, and Work Experience/ SVCTE (CCOC)/ROP.	80
Total Credits Required for Graduation		220

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

UC Subject Requirement

Students must complete 15 (11 by the end of the 11th grade) units of high school courses to fulfill the UC Subject Requirement. This sequence of courses is known as the UC a-g requirement.

a. History/Social Science—2 years required

Two years of history/social science, including one year of world history, cultures and geography; and one year of U.S. history or one-half year of U.S. history and one-half year of civics or American government.

b. English—4 years required

Four years of college preparatory English that include frequent and regular writing, and reading of classic and modern literature. No more than one year of ESL-type courses can be used to meet this requirement (ELD 3).

c. Mathematics—3 years required; 4 years recommended

Three years of college preparatory mathematics that include the topics covered in elementary and advanced algebra and two- and three-dimensional geometry. Approved integrated math courses may be used to fulfill part or all of this requirement, as may math courses taken in the seventh and eighth grades that your high school accepts as equivalent to its own math courses.

d. Laboratory Science—2 years required; 3 years recommended

Two years of laboratory science providing fundamental knowledge in at least two of these three core disciplines: biology, chemistry, and physics. Advance laboratory science courses that have biology, chemistry or physics as prerequisites and offer substantial additional material may be used to fulfill this requirement.

e. Language other than English—2 years required; 3 years recommended

Two years of the same language other than English. Courses should emphasize speaking and understanding, and include instruction in grammar, vocabulary, reading, and composition. Courses in language other than English taken in the seventh and eighth grade may be used to fulfill part of this requirement if your high school accepts them as equivalent to its own courses.

f. Visual and Performing Arts (VPA)—1 year required

One year of visual and performing arts chosen from the following: dance, drama/theater, music and/or visual art.

g. College Preparatory Electives—1 year required.

One year (two semesters), in addition to those required in “a-f” courses above, chosen from the following areas: visual and performing arts (non-introductory level courses), history, social science, English, advanced mathematics, laboratory science, and language other than English (a third year in the language used for the “e” requirement or two years of another language).

UC Examination Requirement

- The ACT Assessment plus Writing or the SAT Reasoning Test.

UPDATE: While SAT Subject Tests are no longer required, some campuses recommend that freshmen applicants interested in competitive majors take the tests to demonstrate subject proficiency
<http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/freshman/requirements/examination-requirement/SAT-subject-tests/index.html>

Applicants may also submit Subject Test scores as a “value-added achievement” for consideration during the comprehensive review process, much in the way they do with Advanced Placement scores today, but Subject Exam scores will not be required.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

CSU Course Requirement

The California State University System (CSU) requires students to complete 15 units of college preparatory courses with a grade of 'C' or better (1 unit is equal to 1 year).

a. History/Social Science—2 years required

Two years of history/social science, including one year of US History or 1 semester of U.S. History and 1 semester of American Government; and 1 year of history/social science.

b. English—4 years required

no more than 1 year of advanced ESL/ELD courses can be used (ELD 3)

c. Mathematics—3 years required

Algebra 1, Geometry & Algebra 2 or CCSS Math 1, CCSS Math 2 & CCSS Math 3

d. Science—2 years required

1 year of physical science and 1 year of biological science must be completed.

e. Foreign Language— 2 years required

2 years of language other than English (must be the same language)

f. Visual and Performing Arts— 1 year required

1 yearlong course in visual and performing arts (selected from dance, music, theater/drama, or visual arts)

g. College Prep Electives— 1 year required

1 year elective chosen from approved "a-g" course list

Use <https://doorways.ucop.edu/list/> for your school’s A-G course list

CSU Examination Requirement (students may take either test):

- ACT Assessment (writing test not required)
- SAT Reasoning Test