



GHC High School Graduation Subject Requirements

All courses are approved by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and are transferable to accredited schools throughout the United States. In addition, all CP, AP, and IB courses are approved by the University of California and the California State University. The NCAA has specific requirements that must be discussed with your student's counselor.

Students must take the following required coursework and earn 230 credits:

English (English 9 AB, 10 AB, 11 AB, and 12 AB)	40 credits
College Preparatory Math	20-30 credits
Laboratory Science	
Biological Science AB	10 credits
Physical Science AB	10 credits
Social Science	
World History AB	10 credits
United States History AB	10 credits
Economics	5 credits
Principles of American Democracy	5 credits
Visual and Performing Arts AB (annualized sequence)	10 credits
World Languages and Cultures AB	10-20 credits
Local Option or other GHC approved course	10 credits
Physical Education	20 credits
Summer Transition Academy	5 credits
<u>Electives</u>	<u>45-70 credits</u>
Total	230 credit

1. Students must complete 30 credits of college preparatory mathematics which includes Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2 or higher level math. Students who passed Algebra 1 or Geometry in eighth grade with an "A" or a "B" are required to complete 20 credits of college preparatory math at GHC. UC/CSU validation may be permitted to meet course (not credit) requirements. Students who earn a grade of "D" in Algebra 1AB are required to repeat the course. Credits are not earned for repeat courses or validation unless the validation is a higher level course. Please see your counselor for information about the GHC math placement policy and course validation policy.
2. AP European History may be substituted for AP World History.
3. Students are required to pass 20 credits of a World Language if starting first year level in the 9th grade. Two consecutive years of the same language or one year of a heritage language meets UC/CSU "E" admission requirement. The World Language graduation requirement can be met by proficiency using the AP, IB, or SAT test. Schooling in a foreign country may verify language proficiency. Credits are not earned for proficiency. Students who take a World Language in middle school should speak with the counselor regarding placement.
4. Successful completion of Summer Transition Academy is a GHC Board approved graduation requirement.
5. Additional requirements for participation in the GHC graduation ceremony may be required as approved by the GHC Governing Board.
6. Other Information:
 - a. A course is considered year-long and includes the A and B semesters. Final grades are issued at the end of each semester.
 - b. Credit in repeat courses may only be earned in classes not previously passed. Credit is not given if classes are taken to raise a grade from a "D". Students are not permitted to raise a grade of "C" or better. Repeat classes do not replace previously earned grades and will not be given double credit; therefore, all grades are averaged for determination of the GHC GPA. Students taking honors and IB/SL may earn .5 extra grade points and AP and IB Courses may earn one extra grade point as determined by the GHC Governing Board.
 - c. Courses taken in grade eight will not receive high school credit, are not calculated into the high school GPA, and are not posted to the GHC transcript.
 - d. Grades are never expunged from the transcript.
 - e. A maximum of ten (10) credits may be earned as teacher assistant toward graduation. Students can only be enrolled in one teacher assistant course per semester.
 - f. Students who enroll during the final semester of 12th grade should make arrangements with the school from which they transferred to earn a diploma.

Minimum UC/CSU Admission Requirements

Subject Code	Subject Requirements	UC/CSU
A	History/Social Science	2 years
B	English	4 years
C	Mathematics	3 years (Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2 or higher) 4 years strongly recommended
D	Laboratory Science (one physical science and one life science)	2 years (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, or other approved CP Laboratory Science) 3 years strongly recommended
E	Language other than English	2 years (same language) - 3 years strongly recommended
F	Visual and Performing Arts	1 year-Sequential preferred
G	College Preparatory Electives	1 year from "g" approved courses

Students must pass courses with a grade of "C" or better in order to meet minimum UC/CSU admission requirements.

Highly selective universities may require that students take a more rigorous academic program and earn grades of "B" or higher.

Colleges and universities may accept courses taken in 8th grade for admission purposes.

Students also may be required to take the SAT or ACT Contact the college or university for further information.