



UPREP AT A GLANCE

University Prep was founded in 1976 as an independent, coeducational, nonsectarian day school for grades 6–12.

MISSION STATEMENT

University Prep is committed to developing each student's potential to become an intellectually courageous, socially responsible citizen of the world.

ENROLLMENT

613 Students

- Grades 9–12: **346** students
- Grades 6–8: **267** students
- Average of **15** students per Upper School academic class
- Upper School student/faculty ratio: **9/1**

FINANCIAL AID

- **\$3.2 million** in financial aid was awarded for the 2020–2021 school year.
- **18%** of students receive significant financial aid.

COVID-19 STATEMENT

UPrep was able to maintain its high-quality educational program during COVID-19. Despite a quick pivot to online learning in March of 2020, our academic enterprise continued with the same high standard for which we are known. During remote learning, all classes were synchronous and graded on a 100-point scale. We resumed in-person learning in January of 2021, though some students remained in a remote learning environment through the end of the 2020–2021 school year. University Prep intends to operate a fully in-person program for the 2021–2022 school year with COVID-19 safety protocols in place.

CURRICULUM

- UPrep's curriculum is demanding, and there are no designated honors or AP classes.
- Our rotating block schedule has six classes, which meet two out of every three days.
- Two three-week intensive academic experiences follow each semester.
- All classes are college preparatory.
- Students are expected to carry a minimum of five classes each semester.
- UPrep is a member of Global Online Academy, a consortium of the world's leading independent schools that offer intellectually rigorous online classes that are designed, developed, and taught by teachers from member schools.

ACCREDITATION

- NWAIS

MEMBER SCHOOL

- NAIS, NACAC, PNACAC

NOTABLE FEATURES

- **22%** of the class of 2022 are National Merit Finalists, Commended Scholars, or National Recognition Scholars.
- We currently have **42** Rainier Scholars and **63** Rainier Scholar alumni.
- **41%** students of color
- **35%** faculty/staff of color
- The classes of 2017–2021 are attending **126** different colleges in **32** different states and **three** foreign countries.

SPECIAL NOTE: COMPUTING GRADE POINT AVERAGE AND CLASS RANK

- All classes are taught at the honors level.
- Grading in academic course work is rigorous.
- University Prep does not weight grades, report GPAs on transcripts, compute class rank, or offer AP classes.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must complete a minimum of **225** credits during grades 9 through 12, including the following departmental requirements:

- English, four years
- History, three-and-a-half years, including two years of World History, one year of U.S. History and Civics
- Mathematics, three years, including Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, and Statistics
- Science, three years, including one year each of Biology, Chemistry, and Physics
- Language, three years of one language (choice of Chinese, French, and Spanish), or two years each of two languages
- Additional requirements: Fine Arts (four classes), Physical Education (four semesters, which includes health), LaunchPad, a self-designed experiential educational project (one class), and electives

ADVANCED PLACEMENT RECORD

Although University Prep does not offer AP classes, students who choose to study for the examinations on their own perform well. For the class of 2021, **34** percent chose to take one or more AP exams; **72** percent of those students scored a 4 or higher.

