

SOPHOMORE YEAR COURSE SELECTION FOR 2022-23

Requirements, Options, and Electives

ALL SOPHOMORES ARE REQUIRED TO CARRY A MINIMUM OF 7 CREDITS

Each year, students are required to take a minimum of 7 credits. They may carry additional half-credit courses and/or full-credit courses, but because the full program of study at La Salle is a demanding one, students must select wisely and consult carefully with their grade level (rising sophomores or juniors) or college counselor (rising seniors) before adding to their academic loads.

Required Courses	Credits	Notes
Religion	1	Religion 10 - Scripture
English	1	Most students will take American Literature and Composition . Those students who successfully completed Introduction to Literature and Composition Honors in their freshman year and earn the recommendation from their teachers are eligible to take American Literature and Composition Honors .
Mathematics	1	Most students complete Algebra 1 their freshman year and study Algebra 2 during their sophomore year. Students who took Integrated Algebra 1 and Geometry will take either Algebra 2 or 2 Honors. Those who have taken Algebra 1 Y as a freshman likely enroll in Geometry Y. Those who have merited higher level placements take more advanced options. These include Algebra 2 Honors, Geometry, and Geometry/Precalculus Honors. <i>Geometry will also be offered during the summer for highly motivated students who want to advance in the math curriculum.</i> If you are unsure of your placement and/or options, consult your current math teacher for his/her recommendation in this area.
History and Political Science	1	Most sophomores take World History 2. Students who have been given approval are eligible to take either Advanced Placement World History or Advanced Placement European History in its place.
World Languages	1	Students continue through the progression of the language chosen in freshman year. Honors-level placements may be an option and are determined by your current teacher. If you are unsure of your placement, consult your current modern language teacher for his/her recommendation in this area. Keep in mind that students are able to add electives in an additional language, including Latin 1, a popular elective.
Science	1	Most sophomore students take Biology . Higher-level sections are available in Biology Honors at the recommendation of your current science teacher. Those students who complete Biology Honors as a 9 th grader will be recommended to take either Chemistry or Chemistry Honors . If you are unsure of your placement and/or options, consult your current science teacher for his/her recommendation in this area.
Group Advisory	.1	Group Advisory 10
Lunch		Lunch will be automatically scheduled during one of the designated periods each day.

Other Courses		If needed
Physical Education	.5	La Salle students are required to complete a total of 1.0 credit in Physical Education before a diploma is issued. This is earned at 0.5 credit increments per year. La Salle students are encouraged to complete their P.E. requirement as early as possible. If a student has not completed his P.E. obligation by the end of sophomore year, he will be scheduled for Physical Education 2. This is a “ghost” course and serves as a reminder that an outstanding balance remains. There are multiple ways in which an annual .5-

		credit increment can be earned. Please consult the <i>Program of Studies</i> for a full description of these options. 1) Successful completion of a scheduled P.E. class. 2) Successful participation in a junior varsity or varsity sport (beginning sophomore year). This includes being a team statistician or manager. 3) Successful involvement in La Salle's intramural program. 4) Full participation in the La Salle Pep Band or as a dancer in La Salle's Spring Musical.
David Program	.5	Academic Support 11. Students who plan on receiving support through La Salle's David Program are rostered for the course titled Academic Support. This is mandatory for students enrolled in the program.

SOPHOMORE ELECTIVES

NOTE: Students are urged to plan responsibly when developing their academic program for next year. Once the course selection process has been completed, roster changes will not be made except for sound educational reasons.

A general reminder: in order to complete La Salle's curricular program and graduate, students need to fulfill a Computer Science (.5 credit), Fine Arts (.5 credit), and Physical Education requirement (two .5 credits). The freshman-level Introduction to Information Sciences and Technology course fulfills the computer requirement. Along with traditional art electives, Creative Writing or Public Speaking also satisfies a student's Fine Arts requirement. With these stipulations in mind, students select their credits from the following list of elective courses **for sophomores**.

Many of the elective courses have prerequisites. Others need approval from teachers and/or department chairpeople. Please carefully review the descriptions for the courses in the current *Program of Studies*, available online through the school's website on the "Academics" page. www.lschs.org/academics.

Subject	Elective Offerings for Sophomores		
Information Sciences and Technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Programming (.5) JAVA Programming (.5) (AP Computer Science A (*- in 2023-24)) AP Comp. Science Principles (*+) Digital Design (.5) (2/8 days) Digital Design – <i>Online Course</i> (.5) Mobile Video Production (.5, 2/8 days) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advanced Multimedia Production – WEXPtV Intro to Multimedia Journalism Web Design for Business (.5, 2/8 days) Web Design Internship (.5, full year) Digital Design Internship (.5, full year) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engineering Design (.5) Advanced Engineering Design (.5) Networking Essential (.5, sem 1) Cloud Fundamentals (*+, sem 2) (Intro to Cyber Security (.5, sem 2 *- in 2023-34))
English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Speaking (.5) 		
World Languages	Any additional beginning language course in Chinese, French, Spanish or Latin		
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Science (.5) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forensic Science (.5) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoology (.5)
Social Sciences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Business and Finance Personal Finance and Investment 		
Physical Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principles of Athletic Training (.5) Physical Fitness (.5) 		
Fine Arts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drawing 1 (.5) Painting 1 (.5) Ceramics 1 (.5) Sculpture 1 (.5) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instrumental Instruction (.5, full year) Advanced Music Studies (.5) Small Ensembles (1) R&B, Funk and Latin Concepts (1) Advanced Music Performance - Stage Band (1) Honors Advanced Music (1) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chorus Advanced Chorus Independent Chorus (.5, fully year) Music Business and Technology

Notes:

- 1) Some courses are on a rotation and are offered in years beginning with even numbers (*+) or odd numbers (*-).
- 2) In addition, there are special music offerings possible through arrangements with the Music Department.
- 3) All courses listed may NOT be offered every year. Subscription and personnel availability are factors determining course offerings.