UC and CSU College Admissions
Understanding the A-G Requirements
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- What are they used for?
- Who uses them?
- What are they, and how will students meet them?
WHAT ARE THE “A-G” REQUIREMENTS USED FOR?

➢ Minimum eligibility for admission to the University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU)

➢ Required high school coursework

➢ Grades of C or better
WHO USES THE “A-G REQUIREMENTS”

- California State University System
  - [www.calstate.edu/apply](http://www.calstate.edu/apply)
- University of California System
  - [www.universityofcalifornia.edu](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu)

(Only **California** public, state schools use the “A-G” requirements. Private colleges and universities each have their own admission requirements.)
University of California Campuses

- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of California, Merced
- University of California, Riverside
- University of California, San Diego
- *University of California, San Francisco
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of California, Santa Cruz

*UCSF is a graduate/professional only campus
California State Universities

- California Polytechnic University, Pomona
- California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo
- California State University, Bakersfield
- California State University, Channel Islands
- California State University, Dominguez Hills
- California State University, East Bay
- California State University, Fullerton
- California State University, Long Beach
- California State University, Los Angeles
- California State University, Monterey Bay
- California State University, Northridge
- California State University, Sacramento
- California State University, San Bernardino
- California State University, San Marcos
- California State University, Stanislaus
- Chico State University
- Fresno State University
- Humboldt State University
- Maritime Academy
- San Diego State University
- San Francisco State University
- San Jose State University
- Sonoma State University
HOW WILL STUDENTS MEET THESE SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS?

“A” History/Social Science

(2 years required)

1) World History or APEC

2) US History or APUSH
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“B” English

(4 years required)

• Four years of college-preparatory English
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“C” Mathematics

(3 years required, 4 years recommended)

• Minimum of Integrated Math 3A-3B
HOW WILL STUDENTS MEET THESE SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS?

“D” Laboratory Science

(2 years required, 3 years recommended)

1. Biology

2. Chemistry or Physics
HOW WILL STUDENTS MEET THESE SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS?

“E” Language Other than English

(2 years required, 3 years recommended)

Two years of the same language other than English.

Poway offers: Spanish, French, and German
HOW WILL STUDENTS MEET THESE SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS?

“F” Visual and Performing Arts (VPA)

(1 year required)

One year of an approved arts course from a single discipline: Theater, Music, Visual Arts

Examples:

1. Digital Media 1 & Photo 1

2. Drama 1 & 2

3. Concert Band & Concert Choir
HOW WILL STUDENTS MEET THESE SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS?

“G” College Preparatory Elective

(1 year required)

One year chosen from the “a-f” courses beyond those used to satisfy the requirements above, or courses that have been approved solely in the elective areas.

Some Examples:

1. Geoscience 1-2
2. Writing Seminar 1-2
3. AP Psychology
4. Vet Science 1-2
IMPORTANT
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Grades must be a C or better

CSU and UC calculate GPA based on 10th and 11th grades