

**PUSD High School Graduation Requirements &
University Admission Requirements**

UC/CSU "a-g"	Del Norte High School Graduation Requirements	California State University (CSU) and University of California (UC) Recommend 1 or more Honors/AP Courses Grades must be C's or better	Selective University of California (UC) and Other Highly Selective Universities Recommend several Honors & AP Courses Grades must be C's or better
a	<u>History/Social Science</u> 30 credits (3 years) World History-10 th , U.S. History-11 th Civics/Economics-12 th	<u>History/Social Science</u> 2 years (10 th & 11 th) (World History & U.S. History) Colleges outside UC/CSU may require 3 yrs	<u>History/Social Science</u> 2 years (10 th & 11 th) (World History & U.S. History) Colleges outside UC/CSU may require 3 yrs
b	<u>English</u> 40 credits (4 years/9 th -12 th)	<u>English</u> 4 years (9 th -12 th)	<u>English</u> 4 years (9 th -12 th)
c	<u>Mathematics</u> 20 credits (4 trimesters)	<u>Mathematics</u> 3 yrs required/4 recommended (Integrated Math 1A-B, 2A-B, & 3A-B, or Algebra 1-4 & Geometry 1-2, or combination) Colleges outside UC/CSU may require 4 yrs	<u>Mathematics</u> 3 required/4+ recommended (Integrated Math 1A-B, 2A-B, & 3A-B, or Algebra 1-4 & Geometry 1-2, or combination) Colleges outside UC/CSU may require 4 yrs
d	<u>Laboratory Science</u> 20 credits (2 years) (10 physical, 10 life)	<u>Laboratory Science</u> 2 yrs required/3 recommended One must be biological science (Biology) and one must be physical science (Chemistry or Physics. Recommend taking both) Colleges outside UC/CSU may require 3+ yrs	<u>Laboratory Science</u> 2-4 yrs required/4 recommended One must be biological science (Biology) and one must be physical science (Chemistry or Physics. Recommend taking both) Many colleges outside UC/CSU require 3+ yrs
e	<u>Language Other Than English</u> <u>OR additional Fine Art</u> 5 credits (1 trimester)	<u>Language Other Than English</u> 2 years required/3 recommended Must be same language (i.e. Chinese or Spanish 1-2 & 3-4 = 2 years) Colleges outside UC/CSU may require 3+ yrs	<u>Language Other Than English</u> 2 yrs required/3+ recommended Must be same language (i.e. Chinese or Spanish 1-6) Colleges outside UC/CSU may require 3+ yrs
f	<u>Visual /Performing Arts</u> 5 credits (1 trimester)	<u>Visual & Performing Arts</u> 1 year/2 trimesters of the same course drama/theater, music, or visual art i.e. Drama 1-2 or Concert Band 1-2	<u>Visual /Performing Arts</u> 1 year/2 trimesters of the same course drama/theater, music, or visual art i.e. Drama 1-2 or Concert Band 1-2
g	<u>Physical Education & Health</u> 20 PE + 5 Health Credits (ENS 1-2-3 plus 2 trimesters additional PE)	<u>College-Preparatory Electives</u> 1 year (2 trimesters) One additional course completed beyond minimum requirement in an a-f category, or a course approved solely as "g" elective Colleges outside UC/CSU may require 2+ yrs	<u>College-Preparatory Electives</u> 1 year (2 trimesters) One additional course completed beyond minimum requirement in an a-f category, or a course approved solely as "g" elective Colleges outside UC/CSU may require 2+ yrs
	<u>Electives</u> 85 credits (5 credits/trimester) All courses meet elective requirement after minimum requirements above are met		
	<u>Additional Requirements</u> • 230 (or more) credits	<u>UC/CSU Test Admission Requirements</u> UC: SAT w/Essay or ACT w/Writing CSU: SAT or ACT	<u>UC/CSU Test Admission Requirements</u> UC: SAT w/Essay or ACT w/Writing CSU: SAT or ACT

SUGGESTED COURSE SELECTION

Meets PUSD/DNHS Graduation Requirements and exceeds UC/CSU Entrance Requirements

9 TH	10 TH	11 TH	12 TH
English	English	English	English
Math	Math	Math	Math
Science (Biology)	Science (Chemistry)	Science (Physics)	Science or Elective
ENS 1-2-3	World History	U.S. History	Civics/Economics
Foreign Language 1-3, Fine Art or Off-roll	Foreign Language, PE, Fine Art, Elective or Off-roll	Foreign Language, PE, Fine Art, Elective or Off-roll	Foreign Language, PE, Fine Art, Elective or Off-roll

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