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East Side Union High School District *Graduation & College Entrance Requirements*

In order to earn a diploma from the East Side Union High School District, students must earn 220 credits in the areas shown below:

Subject	Requirement	Credits
English	Students must pass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 Years of English 	40
Mathematics	Students must pass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geometry or CCSS Math 1 Algebra 1 or CCSS Math 2 (or higher level courses) 	20
Science	Students must pass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 year of Physical Science and 1 year of Biological Science 	20
Social Science	Students must pass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 year of World History 1 year of United States History 1 semester of American Government 1 semester of Economics 	30
Visual or Performing Arts, or World Language, or Career-Technical Education	Students must pass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 year course in Visual or Performing Arts, or World Language, or Career-Technical Education (CTE) 	10
Physical Education	Students must pass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 years of Physical Education (1 year must be taken in 9th grade) 	20
Electives	Students must pass elective courses chosen from any subject area.	80
Total Credits Required for Graduation:		220



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Community College Entrance Requirements

1. Students must meet one of the following requirements:

- Earn a high school diploma
- Be 18 years of age or older
- Earn a GED or HiSET (California proficiency exam)

2. No placement exams required

- Students are placed into English and math courses based on multiple measures, including high school coursework, grades, and a self-placement survey
- Students may challenge their course placement if needed

3. Students planning to transfer to a 4-year university are encouraged to take the UC/CSU A-G course sequence during high school to be ready for college level work

- At a community college, the following transfer pathways are available:
 - i. IGETC (Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum)
 - ii. CSU General Education Breadth (transitioning to the new Cal-GETC) framework

San Jose State University Spartan East Side Promise

The Spartan East Side Promise Program (SESP) is San Jose State University's (SJSU) dedicated support service for ESUHSD students from the time of college exploration through college graduation.

Current ESUHSD Seniors who meet eligibility criteria are **guaranteed admission** to SJSU! To qualify, ESUHSD students must:

- Have a 2.5 GPA (SJSU admissions requires a 2.75 but ESUHSD students get a .25 GPA local boost.)
- Complete all A-G courses with a C- or better
- Meet all deadlines
- Meet eligibility requirements for SJSU to be offered admission

Students applying to a specific major must meet the eligibility index (EI) score for the major. Eligible students not meeting the EI for their intended major will be accepted as Undeclared.

Additional details are available at the Spartan East Side Promise website:

<https://www.sjsu.edu/soar/spartaneastsidepromise/about-sesp.php>

ESUHSD students apply to SJSU at www.calstate.edu/apply starting October 1st. First-year applicants must meet the CSU eligibility requirements for admission, and apply by the application deadline of November 30th.

For assistance with the application process and to learn about available workshops and support, please see your school counselor.



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California State University Admission Requirements

The California State University system requires students to complete fifteen yearlong college-preparatory courses, known as the A–G requirements, with grades of C or better. One unit equals one year of study.

A. History/Social Science - 2 years required

Students must complete two years of history/social science, including at least one year of U.S. history (or one semester of U.S. history and one semester of American government/civics) and one additional year of social science or an approved A–G course.

B. English - 4 years required

Students must complete four years of college-preparatory English that include frequent and regular writing and the reading of literature. Up to one year of advanced ESL/ELD may be used under limited circumstances, but not for the senior year requirement.

C. Mathematics - 3 years required; 4 years recommended

Students must complete three years of college-preparatory mathematics, typically including Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II, or the equivalent integrated Math I, Math II, and Math III sequence. A fourth year of mathematics is recommended.

D. Laboratory Science - 2 years required

Students must complete two years of laboratory science, with one year in a biological science and one year in a physical science, each including a laboratory component.

E. Language Other Than English - 2 years required

Students must complete two years of the same language other than English. Courses should emphasize listening, speaking, reading, writing, and cultural understanding.

F. Visual and Performing Arts - 1 year required

Students must complete one yearlong course, or two semester courses in the same discipline, in dance, drama/theater, music, visual art, or interdisciplinary arts.

G. College-Preparatory Electives - 1 year required

Students must complete one additional year of coursework beyond the A–F subjects from the approved A–G list. This may include advanced courses in math, science, social science, English, arts, or a third year of language other than English.

NO Examination or Testing Requirement

The California State University system no longer uses SAT or ACT examinations in determining admission eligibility. Test scores, if submitted, are **not** used for eligibility or admissions decisions, but may be considered for placement in English and mathematics courses after enrollment.



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University of California Admission Requirements

To meet the minimum requirements, students must complete 15 yearlong high school courses with a letter grade of C or better - at least 15 of them prior to the last year of high school. Required courses are listed below, and are referred to as the “**A-G Requirements.**”

A. History/Social Science - 2 years required

Two years of history/social science, including one year of world history, cultures and geography, and one year of U.S. history, or one half year of U.S. history and one half year of civics or American government.

B. English - 4 years required

Four years of college-preparatory English. Up to one year of ESL/ELD courses may be used to meet this requirement under limited conditions, but the senior year must be a college-preparatory English course taught primarily in English.

C. Mathematics - 3 years required; 4 years recommended

Three years of college-preparatory mathematics that include the topics covered in elementary and advanced algebra and two- and three-dimensional geometry. Approved integrated math courses may be used to fulfill part or all of this requirement. A fourth year of advanced mathematics is strongly recommended for all students, and especially for students preparing for STEM majors.

D. Laboratory Science - 2 years required; 3 years recommended

Two years of laboratory science providing fundamental knowledge in at least two of the three core disciplines: biology, chemistry, and physics. Advanced laboratory science courses that have biology, chemistry, or physics as prerequisites and offer substantial additional material may also be used to fulfill this requirement. A third year is recommended.

E. Language Other Than English - 2 years required; 3 years recommended

Two years of the same language other than English. Courses should emphasize speaking and understanding, and include instruction in grammar, vocabulary, reading, and composition. Courses in language other than English taken in the seventh and eighth grades may be used to fulfill part of this requirement if the high school accepts them as equivalent.

F. Visual and Performing Arts - 1 year required

One yearlong course chosen from dance, drama/theater, music, visual art, or interdisciplinary arts.

G. College-Preparatory Electives - 1 year required

One yearlong course chosen from courses specific to the elective(G) subject area or courses beyond those used to satisfy the requirements of the A-F subjects..

NO Examination or Testing Requirement

The University of California no longer requires the ACT or SAT. **UC is test-free: standardized test scores are not considered in admissions or scholarships.** Students may still choose to submit test scores, but they are used only for limited purposes such as course placement after admission or satisfying certain subject requirements. SAT Subject Tests have been discontinued and are no longer accepted.