

**Santa Monica High School**  
**Graduation, University of California/ California State University**  
**and NCAA Division I Academic Requirements**

5 credits = one semester class, 10 credits = one year-long class

Subject	SAMOHI Graduation Requirements	University of California and Cal State University	NCAA Division I Academic Requirements
<b>Social Studies</b> UC Requirement "A"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10 credits World History</li> <li>• 10 credits US History ACES</li> <li>• 5 credits US Government</li> <li>• 5 credits Economics</li> </ul>	Two years required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One year World History</li> <li>• One year of US History or               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ 1/2 year of US History and</li> <li>◦ 1/2 year of Civics or American Government</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Two years required
<b>English</b> UC Requirement "B"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10 credits English 9</li> <li>• 10 credits English 10</li> <li>• 10 credits English 11</li> <li>• 10 credits English 12 (elective)</li> </ul>	Four years required of College Preparatory English	Four years required
<b>Mathematics</b> UC Requirement "C"	• 30 credits	Three years required: <i>4 years recommended</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Algebra I</li> <li>• Geometry</li> <li>• Algebra II</li> <li>OR Higher math</li> </ul>	Three years required
<b>Science</b> UC Requirement "D"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10 credits Physical Science</li> <li>• 10 credits Life Science</li> </ul>	Two years required: <i>3 years recommended</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One year of laboratory Biological Science</li> <li>• One year of laboratory Physical Science</li> </ul>	Two years required (one year of Lab)
<b>Foreign Language</b> UC Requirement "E"	• 10 credits in a Foreign Language or Fine Art (see Fine Arts)	Two years required: <i>3 years recommended</i> Must be the same language	Counts as an additional course
<b>Fine Arts</b> UC Requirement "F"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10 credits in a Visual or Performing Art</li> <li>OR Foreign Language (see Foreign Language)</li> </ul>	One year required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visual or Performing Art</li> <li><b>(Must be in same subject area)</b></li> </ul>	
<b>Physical Education</b>	• 20 credits	<b>No requirement</b>	
<b>Electives</b> UC Requirement "G"	• 60 credits	One year required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In addition to those required in the "A-F" categories, chosen from the UC/CSU approved courses</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 year-long additional courses in               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Foreign Language</li> <li>◦ Social Studies</li> <li>◦ English</li> <li>◦ Math and/or Science</li> </ul> </li> <li>• 1 additional year-long course of               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ English</li> <li>◦ Math</li> <li>◦ Science</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10 credits Freshman Seminar OR</li> <li>5 credits of Health</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Earn a core-course of at least 2.0</li> <li>• Earn the ACT/SAT score matching the course-course GPA on the D1 sliding scale</li> <li>• Graduate High School</li> </ul>
<b>Total</b>	<b>220 credits</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete 16 core courses.</li> <li>10 of the 16 core must be completed by the 7th semester (senior year) of high school. 7 of the 10 core must be in English, Math, or Science.</li> </ul>

**Graduation Requirements:**

- 220 Credits including all subject requirements

**Requirements for UC and Cal State Universities:**

- Completion of required courses with a "C" or better

**Requirements for California Community Colleges:**

- High School Diploma or 18 years or older
- Math and English placement test

**Websites**

- Cal State Universities: [www2.calstate.edu/apply](http://www2.calstate.edu/apply)
- UC Schools: [www.universityofcalifornia.edu/](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/)
- NCAA [www.ncaa.org/student-athletes](http://www.ncaa.org/student-athletes)