

## UPPER SCHOOL

# EXAMPLE OF A FOUR YEAR COURSE OF STUDY FOR A STUDENT ENTERING GRADE 9

This is a projection of possible course of study, not a contract. Entrance to future courses is predicated on the student meeting course prerequisites.

**Note: this is based on course offerings described in the current LCDS Course Selection Guide. The Guide is updated each year.**

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	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
<b>English</b> 4 credits	World Civilizations I (111)	World Civilizations II (109)	American Literature (105) or AP English Lang. and Comp. (120)	One additional English is required. AP Eng. Lit. and Comp. (107) or Contemporary Lit (150)
<b>History</b> 3 credits	World Civilizations I (111)	World Civilizations II (109)	US History (405) or AP US History (406)	Elective - Pivoting to Asia: Rise of the East (446) or MUN (410) or Social Venturing: Analysis, Action and Change or (444) AP Human Geography
<b>Language</b> 3 credits	Spanish II (552) (Spanish A, B, C in MS)	Spanish III (553)	Elective - Spanish IV (554)	Elective - AP Spanish Lang. and Culture (555) or Spanish Civ. and Culture (557)
<b>Mathematics</b> 3 credits	Geometry (220) or Honors Geometry (229) (if Algebra I was taken in MS)	Algebra II (223) or Honors Algebra II (224)	Honors Precalculus (287) or Elements of Precalculus (286)	Elective AP Calculus AB (226) or AP Statistics (244) or Statistics (242)
<b>Science</b> 3 credits	Biology (303)	Chemistry (315) or Honors Chemistry (316)	Physics I (322) or AP Physics I (323) is required in either the junior or senior year Science Electives include: AP Biology (305) or AP Chemistry (317) or Environmental Science (308) or Science of Hawaii or Forensics or Psychology	
<b>Elective 6th Academic Credit</b>	Optional	Optional	Optional	Optional
<b>Arts</b> 2 credits	T1 and T2 Yearbook (0.667 Arts credit)	1.333 additional Arts credit required over grades 10-12		
<b>Physical Education</b> 2.5 credits	T1 = Golf T2 = Squash	T1 = Golf T3 = Boys LAX	T2 = Weight Training T3 = Co-op Track	T2 = Alternative PE Credit T3 = Biking
<b>Other</b>	Drug and Alcohol Awareness	Grade 10 Health	Blocks not occupied by scheduled courses are study halls. These can be helpful from a time-management perspective.	

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students in the Upper School must take a minimum of 26 credits over four years. While additional coursework beyond the requirement is the norm for most students in most disciplines, students in the Upper School should plan their courses so that they can fulfill these graduation requirements in grades 9-12 for each department.

**English** | Four full-year courses. This would include World Civilizations I, World Civilizations II, and either American Literature or AP English Language and Composition, and a senior elective.

**History** | Three full-year courses to include World Civilizations I, World Civilizations II, and US History or AP US History.

**Language** | Completion of the third level of one foreign language.

**Mathematics** | Three full-year courses in Upper School. The course of study must include Algebra I(\*), Geometry or Honors Geometry(\*), and Algebra II or Honors Algebra II(\*) plus one more credit in mathematics.

**Science** | Three full-year laboratory courses to include Biology, Chemistry or Honors Chemistry, and Physics I or AP Physics I.

**Arts** | Two credits in grades 9-12(\*\*).

**Physical Education** | 2.5 credits in grades 9-12. Team sports will receive 0.5 credits per full season of participation; courses designated as PE will receive 0.33 credits. Approved Alternative PE options will receive 0.33 credits (\*\*).

**Remaining credits would be student choice in conjunction with the course planning process.**