

RIVERSIDE CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL

ACADEMIC AND COURSE DESCRIPTION GUIDE 2010-2011

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT BOTH STUDENTS AND PARENTS READ THE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS AND PREREQUISITES. STUDENTS SHOULD DISCUSS COURSE CHOICES WITH BOTH THEIR PARENTS AND COUNSELOR. STUDENTS WILL BE EXPECTED TO TAKE THE COURSES FOR WHICH THEY REGISTER UNLESS THE STUDENT DOES NOT MEET PUBLISHED PREREQUISITES, THE CLASS IS CANCELED, OR AN IRRESOLVABLE CONFLICT IN SCHEDULING EXISTS. BY MAY, EACH STUDENT WILL COMPLETE A COURSE SELECTION REQUEST FORM INDICATING COURSE REQUESTS FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR. COURSE DESCRIPTIONS ARE LISTED BY DEPARTMENT. THE RCS COUNSELOR WILL SCHEDULE APPOINTMENTS AS NEEDED WITH STUDENTS DURING THE FOURTH QUARTER TO REVIEW THE STUDENT'S REQUESTS AND MAKE CHANGES AS NECESSARY.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

DEVELOPING A COURSE OF STUDIES FOR A STUDENT INCORPORATES THE STUDENT'S WISHES AS INDICATED ON HIS/HER PRELIMINARY COURSE REQUEST FORM AND THE ABILITY OF THE SCHOOL TO MEET THOSE REQUESTS AND THOSE OF OTHER STUDENTS. IF AN IRRESOLVABLE SCHEDULE CONFLICT EXISTS, COURSES MAY BE SUBSTITUTED WITHOUT STUDENT NOTIFICATION. THEREFORE, IT IS NECESSARY THAT ALTERNATE CHOICES BE SELECTED WITH THE SAME CARE AS FIRST CHOICES.

IF A STUDENT DID NOT RECEIVE A FIRST CHOICE OR ALTERNATE SELECTION, OR IF THERE WAS AN ADMINISTRATIVE ERROR, A REQUEST FOR A SCHEDULE CHANGE MAY BE SUBMITTED TO THE COUNSELOR. THE REQUEST MUST BE MADE DURING THE FIRST TEN CALENDAR DAYS OF INSTRUCTION. A STUDENT MAY NOT DROP A YEAR-LONG COURSE EXCEPT UNDER UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES AND ONLY WITH PERMISSION FROM THE COUNSELOR AND PRINCIPAL.

STUDENTS ARE PROVIDED WITH MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO PLAN THEIR SCHEDULES CAREFULLY. THEREFORE, STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO MAKE A COMMITMENT TO EACH COURSE FOR ITS DURATION. CHANGING ONE COURSE IN A STUDENT'S SCHEDULE MOST LIKELY REQUIRES A CHANGE TO THE ENTIRE SCHEDULE. STUDENTS SHOULD TAKE GREAT CARE IN SELECTING THEIR COURSES DURING THE REGISTRATION PERIOD. IF STUDENTS HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THEIR SELECTIONS OR COURSES AFTER THE COURSE

CHANGE DEADLINE HAS PASSED, THEY SHOULD SEE THEIR COUNSELOR FOR ASSISTANCE.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

TO GRADUATE FROM RIVERSIDE CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL, A STUDENT MUST COMPLETE A FOUR-YEAR PROGRAM OF STUDIES EARNING A MINIMUM OF 240 CREDITS OUT OF A POSSIBLE 280 CREDITS.

(1 SEMESTER CLASS = 5 CREDITS).

PLEASE REFER TO THE COLLEGE PREP REQUIREMENTS LISTED BELOW TO PLAN THE CHOICE OF SUBJECTS FOR THE COMING YEAR:

ENGLISH 40 UNITS

BIBLE 40 UNITS

SOCIAL STUDIES 30 UNITS

MATHEMATICS 40 UNITS

SCIENCE (LIFE & PHYSICAL) 40 UNITS

PHYSICAL EDUCATION 20 UNITS

FOREIGN LANGUAGE 30 UNITS (OF ONE LANGUAGE)

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS 10 UNITS

ELECTIVES

TOTAL 240 UNITS

MORE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE IN THE *STUDENT-PARENT HANDBOOK* ABOUT GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS AND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE GENERAL DIPLOMA.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

COMMUNITY SERVICE IS ENCOURAGED FOR ALL STUDENTS. ALL STUDENTS SHOULD KEEP PRIVATE RECORDS TO ASSIST IN COLLEGE AND SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS. COPIES OF THESE RECORDS MAY BE TURNED INTO THE HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE TO BE PLACED IN THE STUDENT'S FILE.

TRANSFER STUDENT ISSUES

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS, STUDENTS WHO TRANSFER AS SOPHOMORES NEED 30 UNITS OF BIBLE; JUNIOR TRANSFERS NEED 20 UNITS OF BIBLE. TRANSFER COURSES ARE SUBJECT TO THE VERIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF THE COUNSELING DEPARTMENT BASED ON THE UC COURSE LIST.

TRANSCRIPT INFORMATION

TRANSCRIPTS REFLECT THE CUMULATIVE SEMESTER WORK OF EACH STUDENT. CUMULATIVE GPA AND RANKING ARE BASED ON AN UN-WEIGHTED GRADE POINT CALCULATION. TRANSCRIPTS INCLUDE ALL COURSE WORK COMPLETED IN GRADES 9 TO 12. IN CASES WHERE STUDENTS HAVE FAILED A COURSE THAT IS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION THE COURSE MUST BE TAKEN IN SUMMER

SCHOOL OR REPEATED DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR. SUMMER SCHOOL GRADES APPROVED BY THE SCHOOL ARE POSTED ON TRANSCRIPTS. HOWEVER, IN ESTABLISHING THEIR ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND COMPUTING COLLEGE ADMISSION GRADE POINT AVERAGES, COLLEGES GENERALLY DETERMINE WHICH COURSES WILL BE ACCEPTED. THIS MAY OR MAY NOT INCLUDE SUMMER SCHOOL COURSES. HIGH SCHOOL STANDARDIZED TESTS (PSAT AND PLAN) ARE ADMINISTERED IN OCTOBER AND RESULTS ARE RECEIVED IN JANUARY. STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO TAKE THE COLLEGE ENTRANCE TESTS IN THE SPRING OF THEIR JUNIOR YEAR AND THE FALL OF THEIR SENIOR YEAR, ALL SCORES ARE ENTERED ON THE STUDENT'S TRANSCRIPT.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM

THE ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM AT RIVERSIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS IS BEING OFFERED IN SEVERAL AREAS. ANY COURSE CONSIDERED WILL OFFER A COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY LEVEL CURRICULUM FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. OTHER COURSES AT RCS WILL ASSESS STUDENTS BY COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY LEVEL STANDARDS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY, PSYCHOLOGY, AND CALCULUS. IT IS EXPECTED THAT COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY LEVEL PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES THAT SPAN A WIDE RANGE OF INTELLECTUAL TASKS WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THE STUDENTS. STUDENTS SHOULD CAREFULLY CONSIDER THE LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY THAT THESE COURSES REQUIRE AND PLAN THEIR SCHEDULE WISELY.

COLLEGE PLANNING

A BALANCE OF HUMANITIES, SOCIAL STUDIES, SCIENCES, MATHEMATICS, ARTS AND OTHER SUBJECTS PREPARES STUDENTS FOR A MORE DIVERSIFIED FUTURE, FOR FUTURE CAREER CHANGES, AND OPENS DOORS TO VARIOUS FIELDS.

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT A STUDENT MUST ACHIEVE A "C" OR BETTER IN ALL COLLEGE PREP SUBJECTS TO MEET COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS.

AS STUDENTS BEGIN THE COLLEGE SEARCH, THEY SHOULD INVESTIGATE COLLEGES FOR ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS BY ACCESSING THE CATALOGUES ON THE COLLEGE'S WEBSITE. THERE ARE FIVE CATEGORIES OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN CALIFORNIA:

- TRADE AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS;
- THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM (PUBLIC);
- THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM (PUBLIC);
- STANFORD, CALIFORNIA BAPTIST, AZUSA, USF, ETC. (PRIVATE); AND
- THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA CAMPUSES (PRIVATE WITH SOME PUBLIC FUNDS).

OUT-OF-STATE CAMPUSES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE. COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES VARY IN CURRICULUM, SIZE, COST, LOCATION, STUDENT SERVICES, EXTENT AND NATURE OF REGULATIONS, LIVING CONDITIONS, AND REPUTATION. THE HIGH SCHOOL COURSES AT RIVERSIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS ARE APPROVED FOR ADMISSION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AND CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEMS.

UC AND CSU MINIMUM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

ENGLISH 4 YEARS

MATHEMATICS 3 YEARS

(ALGEBRA 1, GEOMETRY, ALGEBRA 2)

U.S. HISTORY AND GOVERNMENT 2 YEARS

WORLD HISTORY 1 YEAR

LABORATORY SCIENCE 2 YEARS

(UC REQUIRES TWO OF THE FOLLOWING;

BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY OR PHYSICS.

CSU REQUIRES BIOLOGY AND EITHER

CHEMISTRY, PHYSICS, OR EARTH SCIENCE)

LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH

(ONE LANGUAGE) 2 YEARS

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS 1 YEAR

ELECTIVE COURSES 1 YEAR

SELECTED FROM ADVANCED MATHEMATICS, SCIENCE, SPANISH, AND ARTS

ENGLISH

YEARBOOK

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADES 9-12

PREREQUISITES: APPROVAL OF INSTRUCTOR. STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE AN APPLICATION PROCESS FOR INSTRUCTOR APPROVAL. THIS COURSE MAY BE REPEATED.

THE PRODUCTION OF THE YEARBOOK IS AN IMPORTANT ANNUAL EVENT AT RIVERSIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL. WHILE WORKING ON THE YEARBOOK STAFF, STUDENTS LEARN AND DEVELOP A VARIETY OF DESIGN AND GRAPHICS SKILLS, CAPTION WRITING, PHOTOGRAPHY SKILLS, AND MANAGEMENT SKILLS. THE YEARBOOK STAFF CREATES THE ENTIRE YEARBOOK, INCLUDING THE THEME, COVER DESIGN AND CONTENT. STUDENTS PLAN THE SECTIONS, SELECT AND CORRECT PHOTOS, WRITE ALL COPY, AND DESIGN ALL SPREADS. BESIDES BEING A REGULARLY SCHEDULED CLASS, YEARBOOK PRODUCTION ALSO REQUIRES A TIME COMMITMENT TO WORK AND COLLABORATE AFTER SCHOOL TO COMPLETE DEADLINES. ALTHOUGH THIS CHALLENGE REQUIRES A GREAT DEAL OF RESPONSIBILITY, THE REWARDS ARE TANGIBLE AS THE WORK IS PROFESSIONALLY PUBLISHED.

JOURNALISM

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADES 9-12

PREREQUISITES: APPROVAL OF INSTRUCTOR. STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE AN APPLICATION PROCESS FOR INSTRUCTOR APPROVAL. THIS COURSE MAY BE REPEATED.

THE PRODUCTION OF THE SCHOOL NEWSPAPER IS AN IMPORTANT ANNUAL EVENT AT RIVERSIDE CHRISTIAN. WHILE WORKING ON THE JOURNALISM STAFF, STUDENTS LEARN AND DEVELOP A VARIETY OF DESIGN AND GRAPHICS SKILLS, CAPTION WRITING, PHOTOGRAPHY SKILLS, AND MANAGEMENT SKILLS.

BESIDES BEING A REGULARLY SCHEDULED CLASS, THE SCHOOL NEWSPAPER PRODUCTION ALSO REQUIRES A TIME COMMITMENT TO WORK AFTER SCHOOL TO COMPLETE DEADLINES. ALTHOUGH THIS CHALLENGE REQUIRES A GREAT DEAL OF RESPONSIBILITY, THE REWARDS ARE TANGIBLE AS THE WORK IS PUBLISHED FOR THE STUDENT BODY.

FOUR YEARS OF ENGLISH ARE REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION FROM RIVERSIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS. ALL COURSES MEET THE UC "B" REQUIREMENT.

NINTH GRADE ENGLISH

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 9

THIS COURSE INTRODUCES STUDENTS TO THE SKILLS THAT WILL BE CAREFULLY DEVELOPED THROUGHOUT THE FOUR YEAR PROGRAM IN ENGLISH: READING, WRITING, SPEAKING, AND LISTENING. IN PARTICULAR, ENGLISH 9 FAMILIARIZES STUDENTS WITH STRATEGIES FOR RESEARCH, COMPOSITION, LIBRARY USE, VOCABULARY, GRAMMAR, AND LITERARY ANALYSIS.

NINTH GRADE HONORS ENGLISH

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 9

PREREQUISITE: TEACHER APPROVAL AND SUMMER WORK.

SOPHOMORE ENGLISH WORLD LITERATURE

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 10

THIS COURSE INCLUDES EXTENSIVE REVIEW AND PRACTICE IN WRITING ESSAYS, READING AND COMPREHENDING LITERATURE WITH AN EMPHASIS ON THE SHORT STORY, THE NOVEL, AND THE PLAY, LANGUAGE ARTS DEVELOPMENT, AND VOCABULARY ENRICHMENT.

SOPHOMORE HONORS ENGLISH

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 10

PREREQUISITE: APPROVAL OF ENGLISH TEACHER AND SUMMER WORK.

JUNIOR ENGLISH AMERICAN LITERATURE

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 11

A CLOSE STUDY OF THE MAJOR GENRES WITHIN AMERICA'S RICH LITERARY HERITAGE, JUNIOR ENGLISH COMBINES THE DEVELOPMENT OF EXPOSITORY WRITING AND RESEARCH SKILLS. STUDENTS WILL WRITE SEVERAL EXPOSITORY ESSAYS, INCLUDING A RESEARCH PAPERS (MLA STYLE), AS THEY DEVELOP AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE AMERICAN IDENTITY EXPRESSED THROUGH TRADITIONAL AND MULTI-CULTURAL LITERATURE.

JUNIOR HONORS ENGLISH

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 11

PREREQUISITE: APPROVAL OF ENGLISH TEACHER AND SUMMER WORK.

SENIOR ENGLISH ENGLISH LITERATURE

A CLOSE STUDY OF THE MAJOR GENRES WITHIN ENGLAND'S RICH LITERARY HERITAGE, SENIOR ENGLISH COMBINES THE DEVELOPMENT OF EXPOSITORY WRITING AND RESEARCH SKILLS. STUDENTS WILL WRITE SEVERAL EXPOSITORY ESSAYS, INCLUDING A RESEARCH PAPERS (MLA STYLE), AS THEY DEVELOP AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE ENGLISH IDENTITY EXPRESSED THROUGH TRADITIONAL AND MULTI-CULTURAL LITERATURE.

SENIOR HONORS ENGLISH

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 11

PREREQUISITE: APPROVAL OF ENGLISH TEACHER AND SUMMER WORK.

FAMILY/ADULT LIVING

THE FAMILY LIVING DEPARTMENT PROVIDES A VARIETY OF COURSES FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN LEARNING PRACTICAL MATERIAL THAT WILL MEET THEIR LIFE NEEDS. FAMILY LIVING AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT MAY BE TAKEN AS ELECTIVES IN THE NINTH THROUGH TWELFTH GRADES.

FAMILY LIVING

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADES 9-12

GOOD RELATIONSHIP SKILLS ENABLE STUDENTS TO LIVE THEIR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LIVES SUCCESSFULLY. IN THIS COURSE STUDENTS WILL EXPLORE GOAL SETTING, VALUES AND DECISION MAKING, CONFLICT RESOLUTION, COMMUNICATION SKILLS, FRIENDSHIP AND DATING ISSUES, MARRIAGE CONSIDERATIONS AND PARENTING REQUIREMENTS (*BABY THINK IT OVER*). OBJECTIVES IN THIS COURSE INCLUDE STRIVING TO DEVELOP INNER STRENGTHS AND RELATIONSHIP TOOLS TO NAVIGATE LIFE PROBLEMS.

MATHEMATICS

FOUR YEARS OF COLLEGE PREPARATORY MATHEMATICS ARE REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION IN THE COLLEGE PREP PROGRAM AT RIVERSIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS AND FOR MANY COLLEGE ADMISSIONS. THE MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT PROVIDES COLLEGE PREPARATORY COURSES THAT ARE UC APPROVED. A STUDENT'S MATH PLACEMENT MUST FOLLOW THE COURSE PREREQUISITES PRINTED BELOW AND IS SUBJECT TO THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR APPROVAL. *ALGEBRA I* AND *GEOMETRY* REQUIRE A SCIENTIFIC CALCULATOR. ALL OTHER CLASSES REQUIRE A GRAPHIC CALCULATOR (I.E. TI83+). ALL MATHEMATICS COURSES ARE UC ELIGIBLE.

ALGEBRA 1 AND CD (IF AB PASSES IN MIDDLE SCHOOL)

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

THIS COURSE DEALS WITH BASIC ALGEBRAIC CONCEPTS: SETS, EQUATIONS, INEQUALITIES, FUNCTIONS AND THE OPERATIONS AND APPLICATIONS FOR REAL NUMBERS. METHODS AND APPLICATIONS STRESSING WORD PROBLEMS ARE PRESENTED THROUGHOUT THE COURSE, USING LINEAR EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES, SIMULTANEOUS AND QUADRATIC EQUATIONS.

GEOMETRY

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

PREREQUISITE: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF ALGEBRA 1 WITH A C- OR BETTER IN THE SECOND SEMESTER.

THE CONCEPTS OF CONGRUENCE, SIMILARITY, AND THE PYTHAGOREAN THEOREM AND ITS APPLICATIONS WILL BE STUDIED, INCLUDING AN INTRODUCTION TO TRIGONOMETRY. COORDINATE GEOMETRY WILL BE COVERED, AS WELL AS GEOMETRIC APPLICATIONS OF ALGEBRA. THERE WILL BE SOME GEOMETRIC PROOF.

ALGEBRA 2

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

PREREQUISITE: COMPLETION OF ONE YEAR OF ALGEBRA AND ONE YEAR OF GEOMETRY WITH A C- OR BETTER IN THE SECOND SEMESTER.

TOPICS OF FIRST YEAR ALGEBRA ARE INTENSIFIED AND EXPANDED WITH AN EMPHASIS ON PROBLEM SOLVING. THE COURSE DEALS WITH COORDINATE SYSTEMS, SYSTEMS OF LINEAR INEQUALITIES AND EQUATIONS IN THREE VARIABLES, LOGARITHMS, COMPLEX NUMBERS, QUADRATIC RELATIONS AND CONICS.

SURVEY OF MATH/ADVANCE MATH

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

PREREQUISITE: COMPLETION OF ALGEBRA 2 WITH A C- OR BETTER AVERAGE FOR BOTH SEMESTERS.

THIS COURSE IS FOR STUDENTS WHO WILL BE STUDYING IN THE LIBERAL STUDIES OR SOCIAL SCIENCES IN COLLEGE. TOPICS COVERED ARE GENERAL MATH, ALGEBRA 1 AND 2, GEOMETRY, INTRO TO TRIGONOMETRY, PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS. PERSONAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT WILL BE COVERED TO ALLOW STUDENT TO PLAN FOR THE FUTURE.

PRE-CALCULUS/TRIGONOMETRY

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

PREREQUISITE: COMPLETION OF ALGEBRA 2 WITH A C- OR BETTER AVERAGE FOR BOTH SEMESTERS.

THIS COURSE WILL STUDY RELATIONS AND FUNCTIONS, MATRICES, SEQUENCES AND SERIES, VECTORS, TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS AND IDENTITIES, ELEMENTARY PLANE ANALYTIC GEOMETRY, CONIC SECTIONS, FUNCTIONS AND THEIR GRAPHS, AND EXPONENTIAL AND LOGARITHMIC FUNCTIONS. STATISTICS AND PROBABILITY WILL ALSO BE COVERED.

CALCULUS (ADVANCED PLACEMENT)

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

PREREQUISITE: TRIGONOMETRY WITH A C- OR BETTER AVERAGE FOR BOTH SEMESTERS.

SUCCESS IN A CALCULUS COURSE DEPENDS UPON HAVING ACQUIRED A THOROUGH UNDERSTANDING OF FUNCTIONS.

TOPICS COVERED INCLUDE LIMITS AND CONTINUITY, DIFFERENTIATION, APPLICATIONS OF THE DERIVATIVE, INTEGRATION, METHODS OF INTEGRATION AND APPLICATIONS OF THE INTEGRAL TO SURFACES REVOLUTION. PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS, PARTICULARLY FROM PHYSICS WILL BE EMPHASIZED.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT STATISTICS

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

PREREQUISITE: TRIGONOMETRY OR ADVANCE MATH WITH A C- OR BETTER AVERAGE FOR BOTH SEMESTERS.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS COURSE IS TO INTRODUCE STUDENTS TO THE MAJOR CONCEPTS AND TOOLS FOR COLLECTING, ANALYZING, AND DRAWING CONCLUSIONS FROM DATA. STUDENTS WILL WORK ON PROJECTS INVOLVING THE HANDS-ON GATHERING AND ANALYSIS OF REAL WORLD DATA. IDEAS AND COMPUTATIONS PRESENTED IN THIS COURSE HAVE IMMEDIATE LINKS AND CONNECTIONS WITH ACTUAL EVENTS. COMPUTERS AND CALCULATORS WILL ALLOW STUDENTS TO FOCUS DEEPLY ON THE CONCEPTS INVOLVED IN STATISTICS.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

ALL STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE AT LEAST THREE YEARS OF THE SAME LANGUAGE FOR A COLLEGE PREP DIPLOMA. STUDENTS DEMONSTRATING APTITUDE IN LANGUAGE ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO TAKE THREE OR FOUR YEARS OF THE SAME LANGUAGE. ALL LANGUAGE COURSES ARE UC ELIGIBLE.

SPANISH 1

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

AT THE FIRST LEVEL OF LANGUAGE ACQUISITION, STUDENTS ARE INTRODUCED TO THE SOUNDS, BASIC VOCABULARY, GRAMMAR, AND STRUCTURES OF THE TARGET LANGUAGE. THIS COURSE AIMS TO INVOLVE STUDENTS IN THE RECEPTIVE SKILLS OF LISTENING AND READING, AND IN THE PRODUCTIVE SKILLS OF SPEAKING AND WRITING. THIS WILL ENABLE STUDENTS TO COMPREHEND AND USE A VARIETY OF LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS. THE FIRST LEVEL OF STUDIES SEEKS TO RAISE STUDENTS' CULTURAL CONSCIOUSNESS AS WELL AS TO AID THEM IN DEVELOPING AN AWARENESS OF BASIC DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE TARGET CULTURES AND THEIR OWN.

SPANISH 2

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

PREREQUISITE: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF SPANISH 1 WITH A GRADE OF C OR BETTER FOR THE SECOND *SEMESTER*.

THE SECOND LEVEL OF STUDIES IS DESIGNED TO EXPAND AND REFINE THE STUDENTS' LISTENING AND SPEAKING SKILLS SO THEY MAY ATTAIN FLUENCY IN MORE COMPLEX CONVERSATIONS AND NARRATIONS. THE STUDENTS'

VOCABULARY WILL BE EXPANDED, AND NEW STRUCTURES WILL BE INTRODUCED TO INCREASE ACCURACY, BROADEN THE BASICS OF THE FOUR SKILL AREAS, AND FURTHER THE STUDENTS' COMMUNICATIVE ABILITIES IN THE TARGET LANGUAGE. THE STUDENTS' FAMILIARITY WITH THE PEOPLES AND CUSTOMS OF THE TARGET CULTURES WILL BE DEEPENED, OFFERING ADDITIONAL CONTEXTS IN WHICH STUDENTS MAY APPLY THEIR SKILLS.

SPANISH 3

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

PREREQUISITE: GRADE OF C OR BETTER FOR EACH SEMESTER OF SPANISH 2. THE THIRD YEAR OF LANGUAGE STUDIES CONTINUES TO INVOLVE STUDENTS IN INTERACTIVE COMMUNICATIVE TASKS. STUDENTS ARE BECOMING MORE PROFICIENT, ACHIEVING ACCURACY IN THE BASIC STRUCTURES. STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO HANDLE MANY SURVIVAL AND SOCIAL DEMANDS IN WRITING. STUDENTS CAN INITIATE CONVERSATION, SUSTAIN LENGTHIER CONVERSATIONS, NARRATE AND DESCRIBE IN THE PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE. THE FOUR SKILL AREAS CONTINUE TO BE ENFORCED. STUDENTS ARE INTRODUCED TO SOME MAJOR LITERARY, ARTISTIC AND MUSICAL WORKS, AND CONTINUE TO EXPLORE THE SOCIO-CULTURAL ASPECTS OF THE LANGUAGE.

SPANISH 4

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

PREREQUISITE: GRADE OF C OR BETTER IN THE SECOND SEMESTER SPANISH 3. THIS COURSE CONTINUES TO BUILD SKILLS IN READING AND WRITING. A STRONG FOCUS WILL BE PLACED ON THE ABILITY TO ACQUIRE THE SKILLS NECESSARY TO SURVIVE IN THE WORLD AROUND US. THE ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE BOTH ORALLY AND IN THE WRITTEN FORM WILL BE ENHANCED. LITERARY WORKS, MUSIC, AND ART WILL FORM AN IMPORTANT PART OF THEIR STUDIES.

SPANISH 5

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

PREREQUISITE: GRADE OF C OR BETTER IN BOTH SEMESTERS OF SPANISH 4 WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE INSTRUCTOR.

THIS COURSE WILL EXPLORE AN EXTENSIVE SET OF LITERARY WORKS STARTING WITH THE GOLDEN AGE ERA THROUGH THE PRESENT. DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF REQUIRED TEXTS AND THEIR AUTHORS WILL BE THE MAIN FOCUS OF THIS COURSE. THROUGH THEIR STUDIES OF LITERATURE, FURTHER CULTURAL AND GEOGRAPHICAL STUDIES WILL BE PRESENTED.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

STUDENTS SHALL COMPLETE 20 UNITS OF P.E.

EACH 9TH AND 10TH GRADE STUDENT IS REQUIRED TO TAKE THE APPROPRIATE PHYSICAL EDUCATION COURSE. FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 9/10

THIS COURSE IS REQUIRED FOR ALL 9TH AND 10TH GRADE STUDENTS. THE COURSE WILL SERVE TO BUILD A FOUNDATION IN TECHNIQUE OF SKILL, KNOWLEDGE OF RULES AND UNDERSTANDING THE STRATEGIES OF VARIOUS SPORTS, AND INCREASING THE LEVEL OF PHYSICAL FITNESS.

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MAY BE REPEATED.

SCIENCE

STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE ONE YEAR EACH OF BIOLOGY AND PHYSICAL SCIENCE TO GRADUATE FROM RCHS. FRESHMEN BEGIN THE STUDY OF SCIENCE IN PHYSICAL SCIENCE. SOPHOMORES CONTINUE WITH A YEAR OF BIOLOGY. ADDITIONAL COURSEWORK IN CHEMISTRY, PHYSICS OR ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY ARE SUGGESTED FOR THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN COLLEGE. UC REQUIRES COMPLETION OF A MINIMUM OF TWO OF THREE OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES: BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY OR PHYSICS. CSU REQUIRES ONE LIFE SCIENCE AND ONE PHYSICAL SCIENCE COURSE.

BIOLOGY (LIFE SCIENCE)

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 10

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "D" REQUIREMENT.

THIS COURSE USES THE SCIENTIFIC METHOD OF INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY THE STRUCTURES OF PLANT AND ANIMAL CELLS, AND THEIR FUNCTIONS ALONG WITH UNDERSTANDING THE BASICS OF GENETICS AND COMPARING AND CONTRASTING THE SYSTEMS OF INVERTEBRATES AND VERTEBRATES. IN ADDITION, STUDENTS WILL LEARN TO INTER-RELATE THE BASIC SYSTEMS OF THE HUMAN BODY, AND RECOGNIZE THE ECOLOGICAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ORGANISMS AND THEIR ENVIRONMENTS.

BIOLOGY HONORS (LIFE SCIENCE)

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 10

PREREQUISITE: APPROVAL OF TEACHER AND SUMMER WORK.

ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY (LIFE SCIENCE)

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 12

PREREQUISITE: COMPLETION OF BIOLOGY.

HONORS AVAILABLE: PREREQUISITE; APPROVAL OF TEACHER AND SUMMER WORK.

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "D" REQUIREMENT.

HUMAN ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY WILL BE THE CENTRAL THEME OF THIS COURSE. FORENSICS AS IT APPLIES TO THE HUMAN BODY IS INTEGRATED THROUGHOUT THE CLASS. MAJOR DISSECTIONS INCLUDE THE PIG, BRAIN, EYE, KIDNEY, AND HEART. LABS WILL INCLUDE CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION ACTIVITIES. STUDENTS PLANNING TO PURSUE CAREERS IN MEDICINE, NURSING, FORENSICS, PHYSICAL THERAPY, DENTISTRY, VETERINARY MEDICINE, LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY OR ANY RELATED HEALTH FIELD WOULD ENJOY THIS COURSE.

PHYSICAL SCIENCE

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 9

COMMENT: THIS COURSE WILL MEET THE CSU "D" REQUIREMENT AND/OR THE UC "G" REQUIREMENT.

HONORS AVAILABLE: PREREQUISITE: APPROVAL OF TEACHER AND SUMMER WORK.

THIS IS AN INTRODUCTORY PHYSICAL SCIENCE COURSE CENTERED ON PHYSICS AND CHEMISTRY THAT WILL PREPARE STUDENTS FOR FUTURE SCIENCE CLASSES. STUDENTS WILL DEVELOP LABORATORY SKILLS, COMMUNICATION AND PROBLEM SOLVING SKILLS.

CHEMISTRY (PHYSICAL SCIENCE)

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

PREREQUISITE: COMPLETION OF ALGEBRA 2 AND PHYSICAL SCIENCE WITH A C OR HIGHER.

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "D" REQUIREMENT.

HONORS AVAILABLE: PREREQUISITE: APPROVAL OF TEACHER AND SUMMER WORK.

THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF THE STRUCTURE AND BEHAVIOR OF MATTER WILL BE STUDIED. STUDENTS WILL LEARN CONCEPTS, PROBLEM SOLVING METHODS, AND LABORATORY TECHNIQUES TO PREPARE FOR COLLEGE CHEMISTRY.

PHYSICS (PHYSICAL SCIENCE) (ADVANCED PLACEMENT BY EXAM)

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADES 11-12

PREREQUISITE: COMPLETION OF ALGEBRA 2 WITH A C OR HIGHER. THIS COURSE IS RECOMMENDED FOR SENIORS.

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "D" REQUIREMENT.

HONORS AVAILABLE: PREREQUISITE: APPROVAL OF TEACHER AND SUMMER WORK.

THIS COURSE IS A STUDY OF THE PHYSICAL WORLD. IT INCLUDES A STUDY OF MATTER AND MOTION AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP TO EACH TOPIC: ENERGY, FORCES, PROJECTILE MOTION, MOMENTUM, SOUND WAVES, LIGHT, ELECTRICITY, MAGNETISM, AND MODERN PHYSICS. THIS COURSE EMPHASIZES THE MAIN CONCEPTS OF PHYSICS WITH AN EMPHASIS ON DISCOVERY OF PHYSICAL PRINCIPLES THROUGH PROBLEM SOLVING AND LAB WORK.

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

PREREQUISITE: NONE

COMMENT: THIS COURSE **DOES NOT** MEET THE UC REQUIREMENT.

FORENSIC SCIENCE

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

PREREQUISITE: NONE

COMMENT: THIS COURSE **DOES NOT** MEET THE UC REQUIREMENT.

HISTORY

ONE YEAR OF WORLD HISTORY, ONE YEAR OF UNITED STATES HISTORY, ONE SEMESTER OF AMERICAN GOVERNMENT, AND ONE SEMESTER OF ECONOMICS ARE REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION FROM RIVERSIDE CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL.

WORLD HISTORY

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 10

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "A" REQUIREMENT.

HONORS WORLD HISTORY

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 10

PREREQUISITE: APPROVAL OF TEACHER AND SUMMER WORK.

WORLD HISTORY WILL BE A FULL YEAR SURVEY OF THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD FROM ANCIENT TIMES THROUGH THE FIRST DECADE OF THE COLD WAR ERA. THE ASSIGNED TEXT WILL PROVIDE THE ORGANIZATIONAL CORE OF THE CURRICULUM. STUDENTS WILL BE CHALLENGED IN THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL AREAS: (1) THE DEVELOPMENT OF STUDENTS' CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS THROUGH ASSIGNMENTS INVOLVING THEIR INTERPRETATION AND ANALYSIS OF THE ORIGINAL SOURCE MATERIALS, (2) THE DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH SKILLS, AND (3) THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY IN BOTH RESEARCH AND PRESENTATION OF ASSIGNMENTS.

U.S. HISTORY

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 11

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "A" REQUIREMENT.

U.S. HISTORY HONORS

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 11

PREREQUISITE: APPROVAL OF TEACHER AND POSSIBLE SUMMER WORK.

STUDENTS WILL EVALUATE AND INTERPRET VARIOUS PROBLEMS IN AMERICAN HISTORY, READ HISTORICAL SOURCES AND DEVELOP SKILLS IN FORMULATING THESES AND GENERALIZATIONS. THE CLASS IS INTENDED FOR THE STUDENT WHO IS INTERESTED IN HISTORIOGRAPHY AND AMERICAN HISTORY.

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT

SEMESTER, 5 UNITS, GRADE 12

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "A" REQUIREMENT.

HONORS AVAILABLE: PREREQUISITE: APPROVAL OF TEACHER AND SUMMER WORK.

STUDENTS WILL EXAMINE THE ORIGINS OF AMERICAN DEMOCRACY, THE U.S. CONSTITUTION, ELECTIONS AND CAMPAIGN; POLITICAL PARTICIPATION AND OPINION POLL; THE OPERATIONS OF THE THREE BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT, POLITICAL PARTIES, INFLUENCE OF THE MEDIA, THE ELECTORAL PROCESS, AND AVENUES AVAILABLE TO THEM FOR POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT. OPPORTUNITIES ARE PROVIDED FOR DISCUSSING CURRENT ISSUES WITH WHICH OUR GOVERNMENT IS INVOLVED.

ECONOMICS (HISTORY REQUIREMENT)

SEMESTER, 5 UNITS, GRADE 12

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "G" REQUIREMENT.

HONORS AVAILABLE: PREREQUISITE: APPROVAL OF TEACHER AND SUMMER WORK

THIS SURVEY COURSE FOCUSES ON ECONOMIC PRINCIPLES, ISSUES AND ANALYSIS THAT PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH AN UNDERSTANDING OF BOTH THE THEORETICAL AND PRACTICAL APPROACHES OF THIS SOCIAL SCIENCE. THE STUDENTS WILL GAIN AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE ROLE THAT ECONOMICS PLAYS AT THE PERSONAL, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEVEL.

PSYCHOLOGY

FULL YEAR 10 UNITS, GRADES 10-12

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "G" REQUIREMENT.

IN THIS COURSE STUDENTS ARE INTRODUCED TO PSYCHOLOGY, WITH A FOCUS ON THE SCIENTIFIC STUDY OF HUMAN DEVELOPMENT, LEARNING, MOTIVATION, AND PERSONALITY. STUDENTS WILL DEVELOP SOME BASIC CONCEPTS OF PSYCHOLOGY AND A HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE ON PSYCHOLOGY AS THE STUDY OF INDIVIDUAL BEHAVIOR. STUDENTS WILL READ ABOUT AND DISCUSS THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE MAJOR SCHOLARS IN THE FIELD SUCH AS FREUD, PAVLOV, MASLOW, BANDURA, AND ROGERS.

BIBLE

FOR GRADUATION FROM RCS, 40 UNITS OF BIBLE ARE REQUIRED. STUDENTS WHO TRANSFER AS SOPHOMORES ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE 30 UNITS, AND THOSE WHO TRANSFER AS JUNIORS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE 20 UNITS.

BIBLE 9

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS (REQUIRED), GRADE 9

TEACH THE IMPORTANCE OF THE PROPER FOUNDATIONS OF THE EARLY CHURCH AND THE FAITHFULNESS OF FIRST-CENTURY CHRISTIANS THROUGH A STUDY OF THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES AND THE EARLY PAULINE EPISTLES-- ROMANS, GALATIANS, CORINTHIANS, AND THESSALONIANS.

BIBLE 10

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS (REQUIRED), GRADE 10

HIGHLIGHT KEY TRUTHS OF INDIVIDUAL BOOKS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT ALONG WITH TIMELESS TRUTHS ABOUT THE PERSON AND WORK OF CHRIST AND ABOUT OBEDIENT CHRISTIAN LIVING. YOUR STUDENTS WILL LEARN IMPORTANT HISTORICAL, GEOGRAPHIC, AND BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION THAT BRINGS THE BIBLE TO LIFE.

BIBLE 11

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS (REQUIRED), GRADE 11

DEMONSTRATE AND PRACTICE BIBLE STUDY TECHNIQUES WITH A VERSE-BY-VERSE AND THEMATIC DISCUSSION OF THE LATER PAULINE EPISTLES, THE GENERAL EPISTLES, AND REVELATION.

BIBLE 12

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS (REQUIRED), GRADE 12

SENIORS STUDY CHRISTIAN APOLOGETICS AND *UNDERSTANDING THE TIME*. SENIORS WRITE THEIR OWN PERSONAL BIBLICAL MANIFESTO. SENIORS ALSO PARTICIPATE IN THE *TRUTH PROJECT*.

VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

RIVERSIDE CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL REQUIRES 10 UNITS OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION. THE VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT OFFERS COURSES IN THE FOLLOWING DISCIPLINES: CHOIR, INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC, CHAMBER MUSIC, AND ART. STUDENTS NEED TO FULFILL THE VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS REQUIREMENT DURING THEIR HIGH SCHOOL YEARS.

CHOIR AND ART MEETS THE UC REQUIREMENT, BAND AND CHAMBER MUSIC HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO UC.

PHOTOGRAPHY

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "F" REQUIREMENT

FILM 1

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "F" REQUIREMENT

MEDIA PRODUCTION OR FILM 2

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

COMMENT: THIS COURSE **DOES NOT** MEET THE UC "F" REQUIREMENT

ART

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "F" REQUIREMENT

IN ART, STUDENTS DRAW, PAINT, AND CONSTRUCT THREE DIMENSIONAL FORMS AS THEY LEARN ELEMENTS AND PRINCIPLES OF ART. THEY ARE ENCOURAGED TO DEVELOP A VISUAL LANGUAGE AND A PERSONAL EXPRESSION. IN ADDITION TO CONSTRUCTING ART, STUDENTS STUDY ART THEORY, ART HISTORY, AND ART CRITICISM WITH A FOCUS ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PERSONAL AESTHETIC. STUDENTS STUDY ART FROM MANY CULTURES AND HISTORICAL PERIODS TO ACQUIRE A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE AND AN ARTISTIC PERCEPTION.

ADVANCED ART

FULL 10 UNITS, GRADES 10-12

PREREQUISITE: PREVIOUS ART COURSES, STUDENT PORTFOLIO, WRITTEN PROPOSAL BY STUDENT OF GOALS AND OBJECTIVES, AND APPROVAL OF INSTRUCTOR.

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "F" REQUIREMENT.

THIS COURSE IS OFFERED FOR EXPERIENCED, SKILLED STUDENTS WHO HAVE AN INDIVIDUALIZED INTEREST AND WANT TO PURSUE THEIR ART WORK AND/OR FOR STUDENTS WHO NEED MORE TIME TO PREPARE FOR ADVANCED PLACEMENT STUDIO ART. THE COURSE CONSISTS OF INDIVIDUALIZED, SELF-DIRECTED STUDY. THE SELECTION OF PROJECTS WILL BE AGREED UPON BY THE STUDENT AND INSTRUCTOR. STUDENTS MUST BE SELF-DIRECTED AND SELF-MOTIVATED.

DRAMA

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADES 9-12

PREREQUISITE: NONE

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "F" REQUIREMENT.

IN THIS COURSE, STUDENTS WILL EXPLORE SEVERAL ASPECTS OF THEATRE ARTS, INCLUDING: THE ACTING AND REHEARSAL PROCESS, ANALYSIS OF PLAY STRUCTURE, ANATOMY OF A PRODUCTION, SCRIPT ANALYSIS, AND UNDERSTANDING OF THEATRE AS AN ART FORM. STUDENTS WILL CREATE CHARACTERS AND PERFORM SCENES USING IMPROVISATION AND SCENE STUDY TECHNIQUES. STUDENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND LOCAL PRODUCTIONS, WRITE CRITICAL ANALYSES, AND READ AND DISCUSS RELATED MATERIALS.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

BAND

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

THIS COURSE DOES NOT MEET THE UC "F" REQUIREMENT.

THIS COURSE PROVIDES STUDENTS WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN A BAND INSTRUMENT. STUDENTS MAY CHOOSE TO LEARN THE FOLLOWING INSTRUMENTS: TRUMPET, TROMBONE, TUBA, BARITONE HORN, FRENCH

HORN, OBOE, BASSOON, CLARINET, FLUTE, PERCUSSION, SAXOPHONE, AND STRING BASS. PERFORMANCES ARE REQUIRED.

DRUM LINE

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADES 9-12

THIS COURSE DOES NOT MEET THE UC "F" REQUIREMENT.

THIS COURSE IS FOR THE DEVELOPING BAND STUDENT WHO HAS HAD ONE YEAR OF MUSIC EXPERIENCE IN SCHOOL OR IN PRIVATE STUDY. DESIGNED AS AN INTERMEDIATE LEVEL BAND COURSE, THE COURSE ALLOWS STUDENTS TO CONTINUE TO REFINE THE RUDIMENTS OF MUSIC PERFORMANCE. PUBLIC PERFORMANCES ARE REQUIRED.

CHAMBER MUSIC

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

THIS COURSE DOES NOT MEET THE UC "F" REQUIREMENT.

THIS COURSE IS DESIGNED FOR BEGINNING TO ADVANCED STRING STUDENTS ON VIOLIN, VIOLA, CELLO, OR STRING BASS. PRACTICE AND PERFORMANCE OUTSIDE OF CLASS ARE REQUIRED.

VOCAL MUSIC

CHOIR

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS

PREREQUISITE: AUDITION WITH INSTRUCTOR.

COMMENT: THIS COURSE MEETS THE UC "F" REQUIREMENT.

THIS COURSE PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN A VOCAL PERFORMANCE ENSEMBLE. STUDENTS WILL LEARN BASIC VOCAL AND CHORAL TECHNIQUES, MUSIC HISTORY, SIGHT-READING SKILLS, AND MUSIC THEORY. IN ADDITION, STUDENTS WILL LEARN HISTORICAL, CULTURAL AND SOCIETAL CONTEXTS FOR CHORAL MUSIC AND COMPOSERS OF CHORAL MUSIC. STUDENTS WILL BE EXPECTED TO CRITIQUE THEIR OWN PERFORMANCE AND THE PERFORMANCE OF OTHERS. PUBLIC PERFORMANCES ARE REQUIRED.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

THE COURSES LISTED IN THIS SECTION OF THE BOOKLET ARE LIMITED TO STUDENTS WHO ARE APPROVED ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS BY THE TEACHER OR COUNSELOR.

TEACHER/OFFICE AIDE

FULL YEAR 10 UNITS, GRADES 10-12

PREREQUISITE: APPROVAL OF COUNSELOR

STUDENTS WHO ARE ASSIGNED TO TEACHER/OFFICE AIDE WILL BE REQUIRED TO PERFORM MISCELLANEOUS CLERICAL DUTIES FOR TEACHERS OR STAFF AS NEEDED. AN UNBLEMISHED DISCIPLINE AND BEHAVIORAL RECORD IS REQUIRED. STUDENTS MAY ALSO BE ASSIGNED TO ASSIST TEACHERS IN ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS.

MISSION TEAM LEADERSHIP (NOT OFFERED EVERY YEAR)

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADES 9-12

THIS COURSE IS DESIGNED TO DEVELOP SKILLS THAT ELECTED STUDENT LEADERS NEED IN ORDER TO REPRESENT THEIR PEERS, SPECIFICALLY COMMUNICATION AND ORGANIZATIONAL SKILLS USED ON THE SCHOOL'S MISSION TEAM. THE COURSE WILL ALSO HELP STUDENT LEADERS TO FOCUS ON ENHANCING THE VALUES OF JUSTICE, EQUALITY, RESPONSIBILITY, AND CONSTRUCTIVE ENGAGEMENT WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

AVID

FULL YEAR, 10 UNITS, GRADE 9-12

THIS COURSE IS INTENDED FOR STUDENTS WHO NEED ASSISTANCE IN BASIC SKILL AREAS, AND CONSISTS OF TWO COMPONENTS IN TWO SEMESTERS. THE CLASS COVERS THE SKILLS COMPONENT WHERE STUDENTS ARE INSTRUCTED IN, PRACTICE, AND IMPLEMENT A VARIETY OF STUDY STRATEGIES. THESE STRATEGIES INCLUDE EFFECTIVE NOTE TAKING FROM VERBAL AND WRITTEN INFORMATION, READING COMPREHENSION TECHNIQUES TO AID IN DECIPHERING AND DECODING TEXTBOOK INFORMATION, TEST PREPARATION TIPS, IMPLEMENTATION OF GRAPHIC ORGANIZERS, AND ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FOR THE WRITING PROCESS. THE CLASS ALSO REINFORCES STRATEGIES USED IN HIGH SCHOOL AND ALLOTS TIME IN CLASS TO FORM STRUCTURED STUDY GROUPS, TEACHER-STUDENT ASSISTANCE, AND INDIVIDUAL SILENT STUDY.

REPEATABLE COURSES FOR CREDIT

THE FOLLOWING COURSES MAY BE REPEATED FOR CREDIT:

ENGLISH

- YEARBOOK
- JOURNALISM

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FINE ARTS

- ART
- BAND
- CHAMBER MUSIC
- CHOIR

OTHER

- TEACHER/OFFICE AIDE

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