



San Marcos Academy
CURRICULUM OVERVIEW
 Course Assignments

Regular College Preparatory Sequence – *The following course of study is recommended for those students intending to attend a college or university after high school.*

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
English I	English II	English III	English IV
Algebra 1	Geometry	Algebra 2	Pre-Calculus or Comp. Program
Physics 1	Biology	Chemistry	Env Science or Ana & Phys
W Geography	W History	U S History	U S Government or Economics
LOTE (Latin I, Sp I, Fr I) *	LOTE (Latin II, Sp II, Fr II) *	LOTE (Latin III, Sp III, Fr III) *	Elective
Religion or Elective †	Religion or Elective †	Religion or Elective †	Religion or Elective †
Athletics or Elective **	Athletics or Elective **	Athletics or Elective **	Athletics or Elective **
Fine Art or Elective	Fine Art or Elective	Fine Art or Elective	Fine Art or Elective

NOTE: For those seeking endorsements, elective sections should be carefully planned to ensure you are meeting the academic requirements.

* Upon completing the first credit, the student is determined to be unlikely to be able to complete the second credit, they may substitute Computer programming or a different language course. Students with a diagnosed LD may substitute two credits from ELA, Math, Science, or Social Studies, career and technical education or tech applications.

† Freshmen & Sophomores must take RFC or LMJC if taking Religion. Upper classmen must take Worldviews and Apologetics for their Religion courses.

** May substitute JROTC, Cheerleading, Athletics, or a SBOE approved activity for PE credit.

Honors College Preparatory Sequence – *The following course of study is recommended for those students intending to attend a highly competitive college or university after high school.*

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
English I(H)	English II(H)	English III(H)	College English (CD)
Humanities I(H) *	Humanities II(H) *		English IV(H) *
Geometry (H) **	Algebra 2(H)	Pre-Calculus (H), College Algebra (CD)	College Calculus I & II (CD)
Biology (H)	Chemistry (H)	Physics 2(H)	Env Science (AP) or Astronomy (H)
W Geography (H)	Western Civilization (H)	U S History (CD)	U. S. Gov't (H), Micro- and Macro Economics (AP)
LOTE (Latin II, Sp I, Fr I) **	LOTE (Latin III, Sp II, Fr II)	LOTE (Sp III, Fr III)	
Religion or Elective †	Religion or Elective †	Religion or Elective †	Religion or Elective †
Fine Art, Athletics, or Elective	Fine Art, Athletics, or Elective	Fine Art, Athletics, or Elective	Fine Art, Athletics, or Elective

NOTE: For those seeking endorsements, elective sections should be carefully planned to ensure you are meeting the academic requirements.

* Humanities I or II are co-requisite requirements for English I(H) or II(H). English IV Is a co-requisite course for taking College Freshmen English.

** Algebra I and Latin I are pre-requisite, usually taken in the eighth grade.

† Freshmen & Sophomores must take RFC or LMJC if taking Religion. Upper classmen must take Worldviews and Apologetics for their Religion courses.

Learning Skills College Preparatory Sequence – *All alternative graduation plans must be approved by the principal. This plan is determined by the LS Director in consultation with the Guidance Counselor, then submitted to the principal for final approval.*

Endorsements

SMA's course offerings are adequate to provide the STEM and Arts & Humanities Endorsements. Those wanting Multidisciplinary, Business & Industry, or Public Services Endorsements may need to coordinate with the Guidance Counselor and plan to articulate credits from other sources. Students wanting these public school endorsements must complete the following in their graduation plans:

Foundation Requirements – *The Foundation requirements are four credits in English to include I, II, III, and an advanced English course; three credits in Math, to include Algebra I, Geometry, and an advanced Math course; three credits in Science, to include Biology, IPC or an advanced Science course, and another advanced Science Course; three credits of Social Studies, to include U.S. History, U.S. Gov't, Economics, and World Geography or World History; one credit of Physical Education (or its substitutes); two credits of Languages Other Than English with either two credits in the same language or computer programming language; one credit of Fine Arts; and five elective credits.*

Endorsement Requirements - *Endorsements require four credits in math, four in science, two elective credits, and whatever curriculum requirements for the endorsement. four credits in the four foundation subject areas to include English IV, Chemistry and/or Physics, four credits in Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or College Dual-Credit in English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Economics, LOTE, or Fine Arts.*

Multidisciplinary Endorsement – *Students must complete foundation and general endorsement requirements, four credits in the four foundation subject areas to include English IV, Chemistry and/or Physics, four credits in Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or College Dual-Credit in English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Economics, LOTE, or Fine Arts.*

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS - *Student must demonstrate sufficient skill in technology applications by passing a standardized exam, otherwise one of these credits must be completed in computer applications. Students who cannot demonstrate writing proficiency on a standardized exam by the 10th grade must take an additional course in Research & Technical Writing. All male, high school students who are American citizens MUST take .5 JROTC during their first semester at SMA. All high school students who are not enrolled in ESL must take .5 credit of religion during their first year, unless they are a part of an academic recovery program approved by the principal. Students enrolled in English I or II honors must also take the corresponding Humanities I or II. Some academic electives are required under certain circumstances.*

Those seniors previously under the Recommended or Distinguished Achievement plan will continue to be recognized. All students enrolling will be enrolled in the Multi-Disciplinary plan unless authorized by the school principal.