The A-G / College Entrance Requirements

The A-G / College Entrance Requirements are a sequence of high school courses that students must complete (with a grade of C or better) to be minimally eligible for admission to the University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU). They represent the basic level of academic preparation that high school students should achieve to undertake university work. The following chart summarizes the A-G / College Entrance Requirement. In addition to these requirements, all UC and CSU applicants must take the SAT I or the ACT.

	SUBJECT	YEARS	DETAILS
A	History/Social Science	2	Two years, including one year of world history and one year of US History.
B	English	4	Four years of college preparatory English that includes frequent and regular writing, and reading of classic and modern literature.
C	Mathematics	3	Three years of college preparatory mathematics that includes the topics covered in elementary and advanced algebra, and two- and three-dimensional geometry.
D	Laboratory Science	2	Two years of laboratory science providing fundamental knowledge in at least two of these three disciplines: biology, chemistry, and physics.
E	Language Other Than English	2	Two years of the same language other than English.
F	Visual & Performing Arts	1	One year, including dance, drama/theater, music, or visual art.
G	College Preparatory Elective	1	One year (two semesters), chosen from additional “A-F” courses beyond those used to satisfy the requirements above, or courses that have been approved solely for use as “G” electives.

For further information, please visit the following online resources:

- A-G Course Lists (search by high school) - https://hs-articulation.ucop.edu/agcourselist#/list/search/institution
- California Colleges - http://www.californiacolleges.edu/
- University of California A-G Guide - http://www.ucop.edu/agguide/