

US High School Diploma

In general

Applicants will meet the university entrance level only through:

- General Requirements + AP courses
OR
- General Requirements + German Studienkolleg (university foundation course)
OR
- General Requirements + 2 years of academic studies or Associate's degree

General Requirements (grade 9—12)

- Unweighted CumGPA of at least 3.0
- 4 units English with a minimum grade C: English IV or Honors or AP English
- 2 units Second Language
- 3 units Social Studies
- 5 units in total Mathematics and Science:
 - 2 or 3 units Mathematics with a minimum grade C: Algebra II or Trigonometry and Precalculus,
 - 2 or 3 units Science with a minimum grade C: Biology, Chemistry or Physics
- 2 academic units free to choose

AP Courses & Exams

At least grade 3 in all exams

- Mathematics (Calculus AB or BC)
- 1 natural science subject (Biology, Chemistry or two half AP tests in Physics C)
- 1 language (French, Spanish, Latin, German, English Literature or English Language and Composition)

- 1 further subject (e.g. European History, American History, Computer Science or two half AP tests respectively in Macroeconomics and Microeconomics)

OR

- English (English Literature or English Language and Composition)
- 1 further foreign language (French, Spanish, Latin, German)
- 1 mathematical/natural science subject (Calculus AB or BC, Biology, Chemistry or two half AP tests in Physics C)
- 1 further subject (e.g. European History, American History, Computer Science or two half AP tests respectively in Macroeconomics and Microeconomics)

2 years of academic studies or Associate's degree

You are required as part of your academic studies:

- To have taken “college level” courses
- To have taken 5 independent general education subjects, including English and a foreign language, mathematics and a natural science subject
- To have completed at least three subjects in three respective progressive courses

Your school report must furthermore show: **either**

— Junior standing

OR

— Proof of 50% of the credits required for a Bachelor's degree

OR

— An Associate's Degree in an academic programme (transfer program) with “college level” courses.

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