



# Welcome to DELAC!

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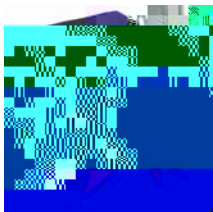

## Needs Assessment Results

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High School Graduation/College  
Preparation  
Interventions, Tutoring and  
Counseling  
Parental Involvement  
GATE, Honors, and Advanced  
Placement Classes

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Preparation for High School  
Graduation and College

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High School Graduation Requirements  
and Preparations for  
University of CA (UC)  
and  
California State University (CSU)

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## SCUSD Graduation Requirements

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40 Credits English  
40 Credits History  
20 Credits Math Algebra 1  
and Geometry (40  
recommended for a UC)

**Passage of the Algebra  
End of Course Exam**

10 Credits Fine Arts  
20 Credits Science  
(Biology, Chemistry,



## A – G Requirements

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**History/social science (“a”)** – *Two years*, including one year of world history, cultures and historical geography and one year of U.S. history, or one-half year of U.S. history and one-half year of



## Parent/Student Testing Resources

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[www.SCUSD.EDU](http://www.SCUSD.EDU)



## SAT Information

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SAT required by CSU/UC and most private schools  
2400 is a perfect score, average scores range  
from 1600 to 1800


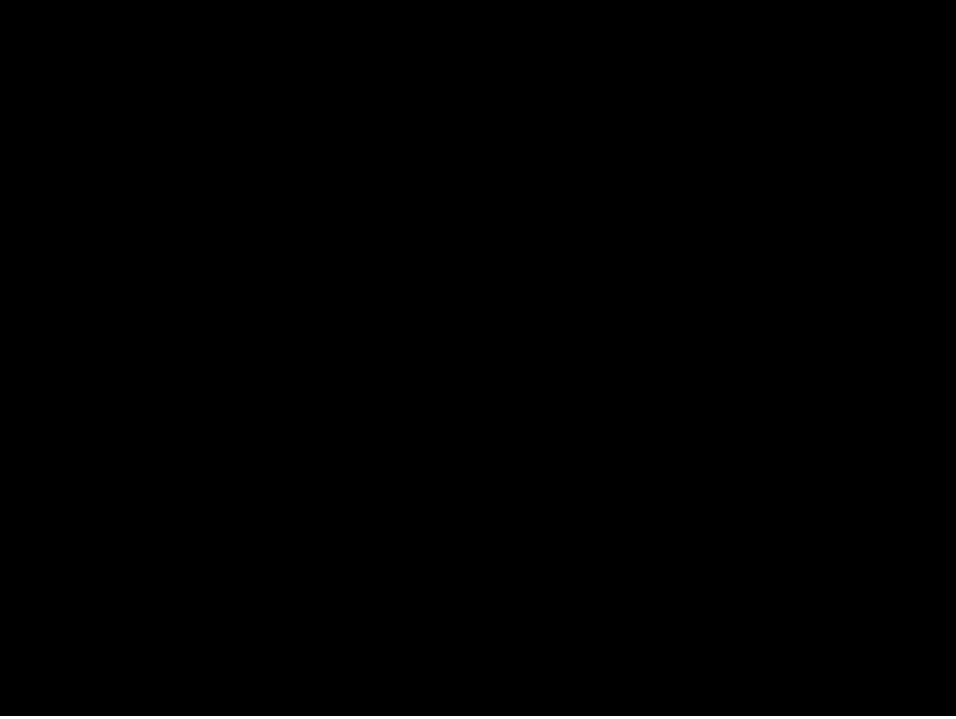
Writing - 800

Reading - 800

Math - 800

Future Test Dates: Register online at  
[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

Fee is \$49 and fee waivers are available through  
the counseling office





## Personal Statement & Letters of Recommendation

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CSU does not require a personal statement.

What the personal statement should demonstrate (UC require Personal Statement):

- Strength of character, ambition and demonstrated potential for leadership

- Well-rounded school and community activities, making a contribution to society

- Commitment to educational goals and have taken advantage of educational opportunities



## FAFSA4caster – Junior year

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Now is the time as Juniors to find out how you can afford college now by going to <http://federalstudentaid.ed.gov>  
FAFSA4caster will help you get an early start on the financial aid process by:

- Providing you with an early estimate of your eligibility for federal student aid.



- Giving you an experience similar to *FAFSA on the Web*  
Allowing you to transfer all of your FAFSA4caster data to *FAFSA on the Web* once you are ready to apply for aid.

- Providing you the option to apply for your Federal Student Aid PIN.

- Increasing your knowledge of the financial aid process, and providing information about other sources of aid.







Taking Rigorous Courses  
In High School

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**Advanced Placement Classes**

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“What is ‘Rigor?’”

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More math problems for homework?   
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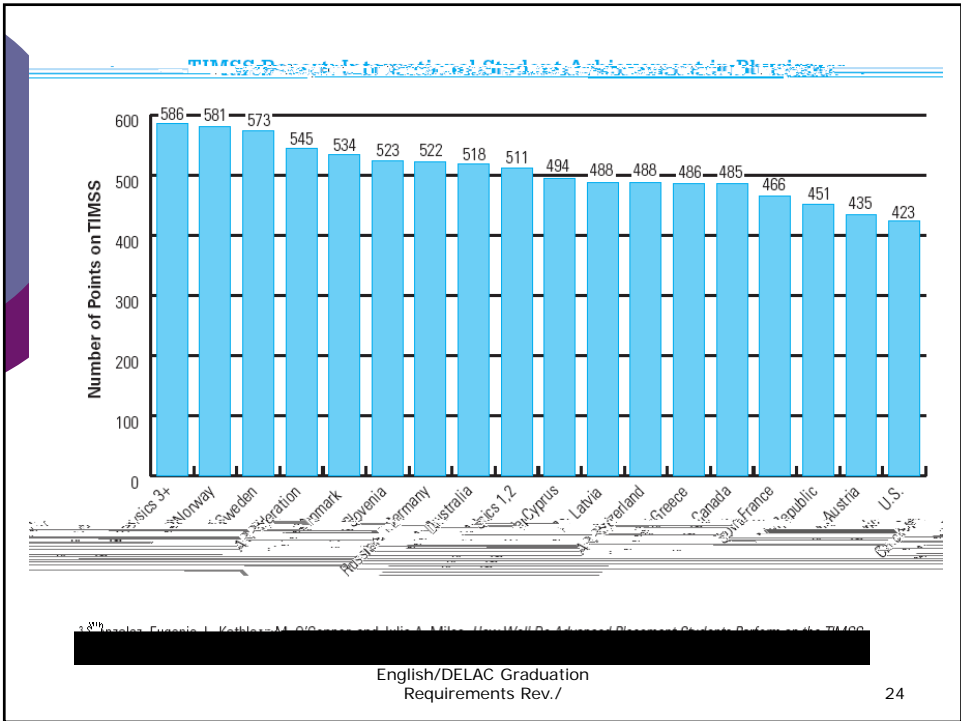
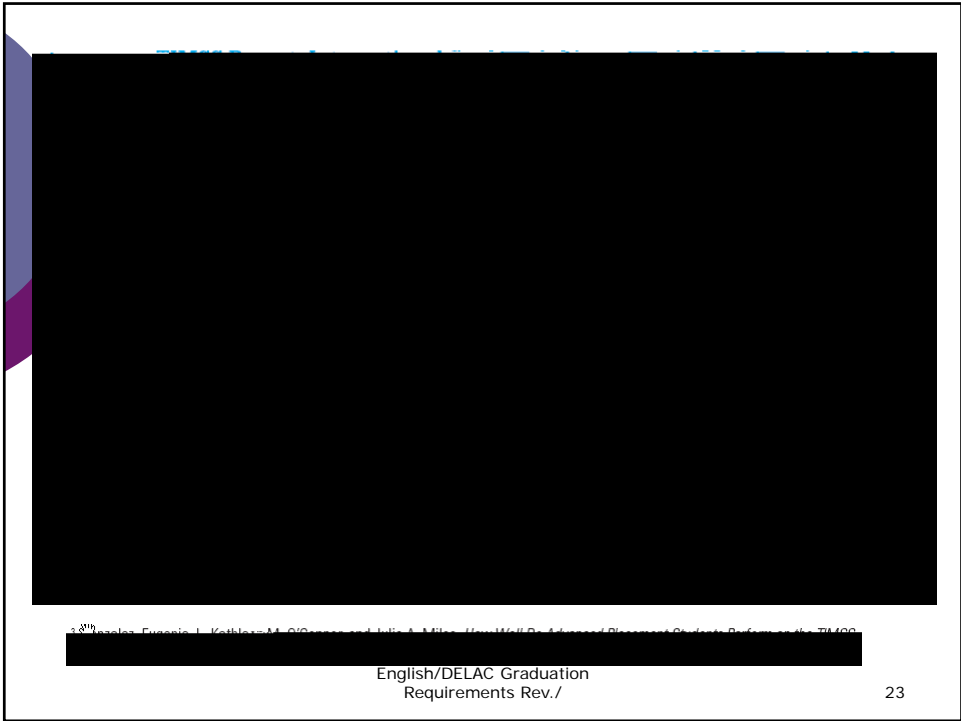


Rigor is...

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Math problems which require higher level thinking skills





## “What AP Courses can I take?”

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There are 34 AP Courses in subjects like Calculus, English, US History, and Spanish.

The courses that you can take will depend on what is currently being offered at your high school.

(see hand-out for specific courses offered in SCUSD)

At the end of the AP Course, students typically take an AP Exam, a national exam that gives students the opportunity to earn college credit.

## Official AP Course Offerings

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<b>Art History</b>	<b>Japanese Language</b>	<b>US History</b>
<b>Biology</b>	<b>German Language</b>	<b>Music Theory</b>
<b>Calculus AB</b>	<b>French Language</b>	<b>Physics B</b>
<b>Calculus BC</b>	<b>Chinese Language</b>	<b>Physics C Mechanics</b>
<b>Statistics</b>	<b>Comp. Government &amp; Politics</b>	<b>Physics C Electricity and Magnetism</b>
<b>Chemistry</b>	<b>U.S. Government &amp; Politics</b>	<b>Italian Language</b>
<b>Computer Science A</b>	<b>Human Geography</b>	<b>Spanish Language</b>
<b>Latin</b>	<b>European History</b>	<b>Spanish Literature</b>
<b>Macroeconomics</b>	<b>Studio Art Drawing</b>	<b>World History</b>
<b>Microeconomics</b>	<b>Studio Art 2D design</b>	<b>Environmental Science</b>
<b>English Language</b>	<b>Studio Art 3D design</b>	<b>Psychology</b>
<b>English Literature</b>		

## “Why should I take an AP Course?”

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### **Reason 1:**

### **Gain the Edge in College Preparation**

Get a head start on college-level work.

Improve your writing skills and sharpen your problem-solving techniques.

Develop the study habits necessary for tackling rigorous course work.

## **Impact of AP<sup>®</sup> on 5-Year College Graduation Rates**

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<b>Student Group</b>	<b>AP Exam Grade of 3, 4, 5</b>	<b>AP Exam Grade of 1, 2</b>	<b>Took AP course, but not exam</b>
African-American	28% higher	22% higher	16% higher
Hispanic	28% higher	12% higher	10% higher
White	33% higher	22% higher	20% higher
Low-Income	26% higher	17% higher	12% higher
Not Low-Income	34% higher	23% higher	19% higher



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**Reason 2:**  
**Stand Out in the College Admissions  
Process**

Demonstrate your maturity and readiness for college.  
Show your willingness to push yourself to the limit.  
Emphasize your commitment to academic excellence.



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### **Reason 3:** **Broaden Your Intellectual Horizons**

Explore the world from a variety of perspectives, most importantly your own.

Study subjects in greater depth and detail.

Assume the responsibility of reasoning, analyzing, and understanding for yourself.

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## How do I get into an AP Class?

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Talk to your teachers

**PSAT taken by all 10<sup>th</sup>**





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