

A-G GPA Calculation

- ★ Your grade point average (GPA) is a numerical summary of your grades from high school.
- ★ It is used to determine class rank and universities use rank and GPA to compare you to other applicants.
- ★ It qualifies you for the Cal Grant and merit scholarship!
- ★ UC's and CSU's only look at the **A-G courses** taken in 10th and 11th grade to calculate the GPA for admissions.
- ★ Approved AP/Honors course work is **weighted** (given an extra point) for a maximum of 8 semesters.



Example:

Courses	Art 1	World History	English 10 Honors	Spanish 2	Algebra II	AP Chemistry
1st Semester	A	B	B	C	A	A*
2nd Semester	B	B	C	D	A	B*

Grade	Points	# of Semesters	(Points x # of Semesters)
A	4	4	(4 x 4) = 16
B	3	5	(3 x 5) = 15
C	2	2	(2 x 2) = 4
D	1	1	(1 x 1) = 1
F	0	0	(0 x 0) = 0
		Total Number of Semesters:	Total Number of Points:
		12	36

Add 1 point to your Total Number of Points for each AP/Honors semester:
36 + 2
*(*from AP Chemistry)*

Weighted Total Number of Points:
38

(Weighted Total Number of Points)
 $+$
(Total Number of Semesters)
 $=$ a-g GPA
38 ÷ 12 = 3.16

Now you give it a shot!

Predict you're a-g GPA with your 1st semester grades and projecting your 2nd semester grades. This will help you know how competitive you are going into your junior year!

Courses						
1st Semester						
2nd Semester						

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Let's see how competitive you are so far!

★ Now that we've calculated a close estimate of your GPA for your sophomore year, let's see how competitive you are so far.

University of California (UC) [Fall 2018]

SCHOOL	ADMISSION RATE	GPA
UC Berkeley	14.9%	4.16 - 4.3
UC Davis	41.2%	3.97 - 4.25
UC Irvine	28.8%	4 - 4.26
UCLA	14.1%	4.16 - 4.31
UC Merced	66.9%	3.46 - 3.96
UC Riverside	50.9%	3.66 - 4.09
UC San Diego	30.2%	4.02 - 4.28
UC Santa Barbara	32.3%	4.00 - 4.26
UC Santa Cruz	47.7%	3.76 - 4.16



California State University (CSU) [Fall 2017]

SCHOOL	ADMISSION RATE	AVERAGE GPA	SCHOOL	ADMISSION RATE	AVERAGE GPA
CSU Bakersfield	93%	3.2	CSU Monterey Bay	49%	3.32
CSU Channel Islands	74%	3.22	CSU Northridge	45%	3.2
CSU Chico	63%	3.33	Cal Poly Pomona	39%	3.49
CSU Dominguez Hills	58%	3.13	Sacramento State	67%	3.3
CSU East Bay	74%	3.1	CSU San Bernardino	65%	3.21
Fresno State	52%	3.33	CSU San Diego	34%	3.69
CSU Fullerton	42%	3.56	San Francisco State	68%	3.23
Humboldt State	75%	3.26	San Jose State	68%	3.4
CSU Long Beach	36%	3.5	Cal Poly San Luis	31%	3.92
CSU Los Angeles	64%	3.14	Sonoma State	55%	3.2
Cal Maritime	85%	3.3	CSU Stanislaus	67%	3.36

California State University:

System website: csumentor.edu
Explore CSU majors: degrees.calstate.edu

Admissions Requirements:

- ★ Minimum 2.0 GPA
- ★ SAT or ACT - No Writing

University of California:

System website:
universityofcalifornia.edu

Admissions Requirements:

- ★ Minimum 3.0 GPA
- ★ SAT or ACT - with Writing
- ★ 4 Personal Insight Questions

Explore UC selectivity:

admissions.universityofcalifornia.edu

Recommended:

- ★ SAT Subject Exam-for competitive majors
- ★ Involvement in clubs, activities, community service, etc.



When applying for colleges & universities it is important to describe the activities and awards you complete! For the UC application, you will be limited to only 160 characters to describe each of the topics below. Make sure you are descriptive and informative when describing each activity & award!

High School Activities & Awards

Activity		Years Active	Position & Description	Hours per Week	Weeks per Year
Honors & Awards (Honor Roll, Dean's List, etc.)	★	<input type="checkbox"/> 9th <input type="checkbox"/> 10th <input type="checkbox"/> 11th <input type="checkbox"/> 12th			
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Community Service (Homeless shelter, church activities, public library, etc.)	★	<input type="checkbox"/> 9th <input type="checkbox"/> 10th <input type="checkbox"/> 11th <input type="checkbox"/> 12th			
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Clubs & Organizations (Key Club, Art Club, etc..)	★	<input type="checkbox"/> 9th <input type="checkbox"/> 10th <input type="checkbox"/> 11th <input type="checkbox"/> 12th			
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Work Experience & Other	★	<input type="checkbox"/> 9th <input type="checkbox"/> 10th <input type="checkbox"/> 11th <input type="checkbox"/> 12th			
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Educational Programs (EAOP, Upward Bound, etc.)	★	<input type="checkbox"/> 9th <input type="checkbox"/> 10th <input type="checkbox"/> 11th <input type="checkbox"/> 12th			
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Class of 2020

EAOP Junior Advising Sheet

August to October

- Register for EAOP Road to College Conference
- Register for EAOP Test Prep Session
- School-wide PSAT Testing 10/10
 - ❑ Calculate A-G GPA
 - ❑ Create a College Board Account
 - ❑ Get involved with community organizations, clubs, and volunteer opportunities

November to December

- ❑ Verify Free/Reduced lunch eligibility for SAT and ACT fee waiver

January to February

- Register for EAOP Test Prep Session
- Register for EAOP Campus Tours
- Register for February 9th ACT by 1/11
- Register for March 9th SAT by 2/9
 - ❑ Review your PSAT scores

March

- Register for April 13 by 3/8
 - ❑ Draft a list of campuses you are interested in applying to
 - ❑ Schedule college campus tours or take virtual

April

- Register for EAOP Senior Summit
- Register for May 4th SAT by 4/5
 - ❑ Explore college majors
 - ❑ Explore career interests

April (Continued)

- ❑ Apply for summer internships/academic enrichment opportunities
- ❑ Consider taking the SAT Subject Tests

May

- Register for June 1st SAT by May 3
- Register for June 8th by May 3
 - ❑ Enroll in summer school to make up any D or F grades
 - ❑ Begin listing and describing all extra-curricular involvement since 9th grade

June

- ❑ Begin drafting college admissions essays

Helpful Tips

- Keep all account login info stored in a safe place
- Register to take an SAT or ACT exam before the end of your Junior year
- Register for EAOP Events at eaop.ucr.edu

Helpful Links

College Admissions

- ★ Commonapp.org
- ★ calstate.edu/apply
- ★ admission.universityofcalifornia.edu

Major & Career Search

- ★ cacareerzone.org
- ★ dgrees.calstate.edu
- ★ bigfuture.collegeboard.org

SAT & ACT Prep

- ★ actstudent.org/onlineprep
- ★ sat.collegeboard.org/practice
- ★ khanacademy.org/test-prep/sat

Test	SAT	ACT																								
Format																										
Testing time	3 hours + 50-minute essay (optional)	2 hours 55 minutes + 40-minute essay (optional)																								
Structure	3 tests + optional essay	4 tests + optional writing test																								
Number of questions	154	215																								
Time per question	1 minute, 10 seconds	49 seconds																								
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Benefits and Rules	SAT	ACT
Test fees waived for eligible students	Yes	Yes
Waivers cover late fees	Yes	No
Sending Score Reports	4 free with fee waiver	\$12 each school
Waived application fees at participating colleges	Yes	No
Expiration date	No	Expire end of August each year

Features	SAT	ACT
Widely accepted	All U.S. colleges	All U.S. colleges
Measures	-What students learn in high school -What they need to succeed in college	-What students learn in high school
Everyday math formulas provided	Yes	No
Tests the vocabulary you'll use	Yes	Yes
Essay is optional	Yes	Yes
Penalty for guessing	No	No

How to Register for the SAT & ACT

ACT Dates & Registration Deadlines		SAT Dates & Registration Deadlines	
Test Date	Regular Deadline	Test Date	Regular Deadline
October 27, 2018	September 28, 2018	November 3, 2018	October 5, 2018
December 8, 2018	November 2, 2018	December 1, 2018	November 2, 2018
February 9, 2019	January 11, 2019	March 9, 2019	February 8, 2019
April 13, 2019	March 8, 2019	May 4, 2019	April 5, 2019
June 8, 2019	May 3, 2019	June 1, 2019	May 3, 2019
July 13, 2019	June 14, 2019		

If you don't have one already, create two separate accounts with College Board & ACT. Be sure to use an email you check often, and write down your Username and Password. Once you have your login information, you are ready to register! DO NOT CREATE DUPLICATE ACCOUNTS!

Begin your registration (sat.org/register & act.org) and complete the steps online:

- 1) *Update Personal Information:* This is where you fill out personal information about you, your parents, and your school. *Not all information is required. You can choose "I do now wish to answer"*
- 2) *Create Student Profile:* Most of this information is not required to register for your SAT and ACT exam. However, for the **SAT**, filling out the subsections (GPA, Coursework, Activities, etc.) will provide you with information about scholarships and schools and are relevant to your answers.
- 3) *Your Test Selection:* Choose the Test Date and Test Option. For the **SAT**, you will choose the School Site you would like to take your test at. For the **ACT**, you will use your zip code to find the closest test center you want to attend; however, this will be later in the registration process.
- 4) *Upload a Photo:* Take a photo using your laptop, cell phone, or camera. Make sure that they fulfil the requirements (think of it like a driver's license photo). When you are satisfied with the photo and it fulfills the requirements, upload it!
- 5) *Your High School Courses & Grades:* For the **ACT**, you must select the courses you have taken/plan to take. You may skip the portion asking what grades you received.
- 6) *Score Report Choice:* For the **ACT**, select the colleges you would like to receive your scores. *If you are interested in UC's and/or Cal States, select only one UC and one CSU.* For the **SAT**, you will have to send your test score through another process.
- 7) *Submit:* Review your information for accuracy and make any payments. Check your email to make sure you received a confirmation of your registration.