Graduation Requirements: A Guide for First-Year Students

Fall 2024

Humanities (Letter Grade)
A five-course sequence is required:
HUM 1 (winter) → HUM 2 (spring) → HUM 3 (fall/summer) → HUM 4 (winter/summer) → HUM 5 (spring/summer)

Mathematics (Letter Grade)
2 quarters of Calculus (MATH 10A/20A and MATH 10B/20B) and 1 course selected from MATH 10C, 20C, 11, 18, or PHIL 10.

Natural Science (Letter Grade or P/NP, depending on major requirements)
Five courses in Natural Sciences, to include:
• 1 course in Biology (BILD 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 10, 12, 18, 20, 22, 26, 28, 30, 32, 36, 38, 42, 44, 46, 51, 60, or 61)
• 1 course in Chemistry (CHEM 4, 6A-C, 6AH-6CH, or 11)
• 1 course in Physics (PHYS 1A-1C, 2A-2D, 4A-4E, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, or 13)
• 2 courses from Biology, Chemistry, Physics lists above, or from additional list: ESYS 10; SIO 1, 3, 10, 12, 15, 16, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 50, 60; or PHIL 12

Social Science (Letter Grade)
Two courses (4-units each; upper or lower division) selected from the list of approved departments. Upper division courses may not overlap with major requirements.

Fine Arts (Letter Grade or P/NP)
One course (2-4 units) selected from Music, Theatre, Dance, or Visual Arts. Upper division courses may not overlap with major requirements.

Foreign Language (Letter Grade or P/NP)
Proficiency demonstrated by exam or completion of a fourth quarter intermediate level course.

Revelle College General Education Requirements
Please refer to the Revelle website revelle.ucsd.edu for approved course lists. Credit for AP exams, IB exams, and transfer courses will be applied wherever appropriate.

Major Requirements
Please refer to department websites and UC San Diego Catalog at catalog.ucsd.edu for details.

University Requirements
• UC Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR)
• American History & Institutions (AHI)
• Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DEI)
• Climate Change Education Requirement (CCER) - starting Fall 2024
• Pass/Not Pass Maximum (no more than 25% of UC San Diego units may be taken with P/NP grading option)
• Senior Residency Requirement (35 of last 45 units must be taken at UC San Diego)
• 2.0 minimum GPA
• 180 cumulative units, including 60 upper-division units