



SAN FRANCISCO
UNIVERSITY
HIGH SCHOOL
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School Profile 2021–2022

I. THE SCHOOL

San Francisco University High School opened in 1975 as a coeducational, college preparatory, independent secondary school. Enrollment stands at 421 students this year. Accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, UHS is also a member of the National Association of Independent Schools, the California Association of Independent Schools, the College Entrance Examination Board, and the Secondary School Admissions Test Board.

San Francisco University High School

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II. STUDENT BODY

UHS enrolls a diverse student body from a variety of racial, ethnic, religious, and economic communities. Students come to us from 49 different ZIP codes, most in San Francisco or Marin county. 53% self-identify as students of color. Our students speak 32 different languages at home. 23% of students were awarded \$3.7M in financial aid for the 2021-22 school year. The class of 2022 has 101 students.

III. CURRICULUM AND DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

UHS offers college-level courses in every discipline, as listed below. Our faculty design the scope and sequence of our curriculum, either choosing to include AP courses or developing honors electives, depending on what best fulfills a program's learning goals. The University of California treats all electives with an "AP" or "Honors" designation as honors courses. We do not limit the number of honors or AP courses students can take, but we urge them to attempt a reasonable load. UHS does not give academic awards of any kind.

A. HONORS, ADVANCED, OR ACCELERATED CLASSES BY DEPARTMENT

Arts (Western Civ. and two electives required):

AP Art History; AP 2D Design; AP 3D Design; AP Drawing;
AP Music Theory; Advanced Projects in Theatre I and II

English (four years required):

English III Honors; English IV Honors

Language (three years required):

- Chinese IV-H: Honors Chinese Language; Chinese V-H: Honors Advanced Chinese Seminar; Chinese VI-H: Honors Advanced Topics in Chinese
- French IV-H: Honors Advanced French Language and Culture; AP French Language; Honors French Literature; Advanced French Seminar
- Advanced Latin
- Honors Spanish Literature; Honors Advanced Spanish Literature

History (two years required):

AP European History; US History Honors; History Electives

Mathematics (three years required):

AP Calculus AB; AP Calculus BC; AP Computer Science-A;
AP Statistics; Chaos Theory; Introduction to Logic;
Multivariable Calculus; Non-Euclidean Geometry;
Precalculus with Differential Calculus

Science (two years required):

Advanced Projects in Physics; AP Environmental Science;
Honors Biology; Advanced Topics in Biology: Human
Physiology; Advanced Topics in Modern Chemistry

B. INDEPENDENT STUDY:

Consistent with our core values of inquiry and agency, UHS offers a robust Independent Study program that allows students to pursue in-depth learning that they design themselves. Last year, 110 students took advantage of this option. In addition to serving as TAs for courses (4), they developed a vast and imaginative range of projects, including: 3D Modeling and Animation; Asian American Magical Realism; Biomimetic Robotics; Coding General Relativity; Environmental Economics and the Climate Crisis; A Critical Look at the Independent School; Federalist no. 84 – The Rap Battle Alexander Hamilton Didn't Win; Finding Pi in Chaos; Forests, Fabric, Fungi; The Films of Pedro Almodóvar; French Art Nouveau; Health and the Microbiome; The History of Feminism and Christianity; Interspecies Chimeras as Organ Donors; Introduction to American Sign Language; Internationalism and the Impressionists; Liberalism in Revolutions; Mathematics and Music; Memory and False Memory; People of Color in Poetry; Sustainable Housing Solutions for the Homeless; White Women and White Supremacy.

C. THE BLENDED CONSORTIUM

In the fall of 2019, University High School joined six peer schools in the Bay Area BlendEd consortium. This program seeks to bring students a new level of engaging curriculum that takes advantage of the geography, talent, and culture of the Bay Area. Classes offered through BlendEd are taught by full-time faculty at one of the consortium schools, include regular virtual meetings in addition to 3–5 in-person experiences, and are equivalent in rigor to UHS courses.

IV. STANDARDIZED TESTING

To provide a sense of the typical testing outcomes at University High School, the tables below present data from the classes 2020, 2021, and 2022.

A. SAT Reasoning Test

Middle 50% Scores (187 students tested)

Evidence Based Reasoning	690 - 760
Math	670 - 780

B. ACT Tests

Middle 50% Scores (95 students tested)

English	33 - 35
Math	28 - 34
Reading	31 - 36
Science	28 - 35
Composite	30 - 34

C. National Merit Scholarship Information:

57 students were commended in the classes of 2019, 2020, and 2021. 18 were National Merit semifinalists, 12 were finalists and seven were award recipients.

D. Advanced Placement Examinations:

UHS students took a total of 646 examinations in May 2019, 2020, and 2021. 90% scored 3 or above. 71% scored 4 or above.

Score	Total
5	267
4	194
3	125
2	45
1	15

V. COLLEGE ENROLLMENT (2017–2021)

Below is a list of the colleges and universities where UHS graduates have enrolled over the past five years. 100% of our students enroll in college, the vast majority in four-year institutions.

COLLEGE	ATTEND
American University	1
Amherst College	4
Babson College	1
Barnard College	5
Bates College	4
Boston College	8
Boston University	7
Bowdoin College	1
Brandeis University	1
Brown University	12
Bryn Mawr College	3
Bucknell University	1
California Institute of Technology	1
California State University, Long Beach	1
Carleton College	7
Carnegie Mellon University	3
Case Western Reserve University	1
Claremont McKenna College	4
Clark University	1
Clemson University	1
Colby College	11
Colgate University	3
Colorado College	3
Columbia University	9
Connecticut College	1
Cornell University	10
Dartmouth College	4
Davidson College	5
Denison College	1
Drexel University	2
Duke University	8
Emily Carr University of Art & Design	1
Emory University	6
Fordham University	1
The George Washington University	4

COLLEGE	ATTEND
Georgetown University	8
Gonzaga University	1
Harvard University	10
Harvey Mudd College	1
Haverford College	1
Howard University	2
Johns Hopkins University	1
Kenyon College	5
Lafayette College	1
Lehigh University	1
Leibniz Kolleg Universität Tübingen	1
Lewis & Clark College	2
Loyola University Chicago	2
Macalester College	1
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences	1
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	3
McGill University	2
Middlebury College	7
Mount Holyoke College	2
The New School	2
New York University	10
New York University, Shanghai	1
Northeastern University	6
Northwestern University	8
Oberlin College of Arts and Sciences	1
Occidental College	4
Pitzer College	7
Pomona College	3
Princeton University	4
Providence College	1
Purdue University	1
Reed College	3
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	1
Rhode Island School of Design	1

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COLLEGE	ATTEND
Rice University	1
San Francisco State University	2
Santa Clara University	3
Scripps College	4
Smith College	1
Southern Methodist University	3
St. Olaf College	3
Stanford University	17
Swarthmore College	5
Syracuse University	1
Trinity College	2
Trinity University	1
Tufts University	22
Tulane University	8
The University of British Columbia	1
University of California, Berkeley	17
University of California, Davis	3
University of California, Irvine	1
University of California, Los Angeles	15
University of California, Santa Barbara	2
University of California, Santa Cruz	5
University of Chicago	26
University of Colorado, Boulder	4
University of Hawaii, Manoa	1
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign	1
University of Maryland, College Park	1
University of Massachusetts, Amherst	1
University of Michigan	3
The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	2

COLLEGE	ATTEND
University of Oregon	3
University of Oxford	1
University of Pennsylvania	5
University of Puget Sound	4
University of Redlands	1
University of Richmond	1
University of San Diego	1
University of San Francisco	3
University of Southern California	7
University of St Andrews	3
University of the Pacific	1
University of Toronto	1
University of Vermont	2
University of Virginia	1
University of Washington, Seattle	2
University of Wisconsin, Madison	7
Vanderbilt University	2
Vassar College	6
Villanova University	1
Wake Forest University	3
Washington University in St. Louis	11
Wellesley College	6
Wesleyan University	7
Wheaton College (MA)	1
Whitman College	3
Williams College	5
Worcester Polytechnic Institute	2
Yale University	12