

Complete the credits and courses for high school graduation and beyond



Check with your school district for a complete list of [high school graduation requirements](#). To be considered for admission at a four-year public college in Washington, successfully complete the [credits required in the minimum college admission standards](#). Note that a third credit of science (it does not need to be lab-based) is now required for students entering college **summer or fall of 2021 and beyond**. For college athletics and athletic scholarships, successfully complete the courses in the [NCAA academic eligibility requirements](#).

These are the MINIMUM requirements. Improve your chances of success by going beyond the minimum.

Subject	High School Graduation		Four-Year Public College Admissions		NCAA Division I Athletics	
	Credits	Courses	Credits	Courses	Credits	Courses
English Language Arts	<input type="text"/>		4	Must include 3 credits of college preparatory coursework, including literature and composition. May include 1 credit of elective English.	4	
Mathematics/Quantitative	<input type="text"/>	Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2 sequence or Integrated Math 1, Math 2, Math 3 sequence or a third credit of math	3	Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2 sequence or Integrated Math 1, Math 2, Math 3 sequence <i>Must include Senior year math-based quantitative course (additional math, algebra-based science, or AP computer science course)</i>	3	Algebra 1 or higher
Science	<input type="text"/>	Number of lab courses: <input type="text"/>	3	One algebra-based science course. One biology, chemistry, or physics. One additional science credit – does not need to be lab-based	2	Natural or physical science, including one year of lab, if offered
Social Studies (Social Science)	<input type="text"/>	U.S. History Contemporary World History Geography and Problems Must include 0.5 credit civics and 0.5 credit social studies	3	History or any of the social sciences, such as: anthropology, contemporary world problems, economics, geography, government, political science, psychology, or sociology	2	
Arts	<input type="text"/>	Performing or visual arts	1	Fine, visual, or performing arts or one more credit in any other subject area	X	
World Language	<input type="text"/>		2	Two credits of the same world language	X	
Health and Fitness	<input type="text"/>	Must include: 0.5 credits of health, 1.5 credits of fitness	X		X	
Occupational Education	<input type="text"/>	Career and technical or occupational education course	X		X	
Additional courses	<input type="text"/>	Electives	X		4	Any subject above, foreign language, or comparative religion, philosophy
					1	Additional English, math, or natural/physical science course