The High School

University High School is a comprehensive high school in Orange County, California, with an enrollment of 2,207 students. The school’s 55-acre campus is in close proximity to several institutions of higher learning, including the University of California, Irvine, Concordia University and Chapman University. In addition, University High School is the home of the Orange County Deaf and Hard of Hearing program with an enrollment of 75 students who fully participate in the school’s academic, athletic and activities programs. Ninety-nine percent of University High School graduates enter post-secondary educational programs.

University High School students have consistently been successful in national and state academic awards programs such as the National Merit Scholarship Program, the Siemens Foundation Awards Program and the Robert C. Byrd Scholarship Program. Over 80% of our graduating seniors have/will complete a minimum college preparatory course of studies.

University High School is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). University High School is frequently recognized by national publications for being an outstanding college prep high school. In the past several years alone, University High School has appeared on top high school lists compiled by the Washington Post, Newsweek and US News and World Report. In 2015, University High School had the honor of being labeled a Gold Ribbon School, which honors outstanding, innovative schools throughout the state of California.

The school’s mission is to enable each student to become a contributing member of society with an appreciation for complexity and ambiguity, empowered with the knowledge, skills, and values necessary to meet the challenges of a changing world by providing the highest quality educational experience we can envision.

Students

University High School supports a diverse student body. Our 2,207 students come from many different countries of the world, and a percentage of our students self identify with multiple ethnicities.

Student Enrollment by Grade Level:

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Student Enrollment by Ethnicity:

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<th>Group</th>
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<td>Asian (Asian Indian, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Vietnamese, Other Asian)</td>
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**Class Rank:** By district policy, students are NOT RANKED.

**Grade Point Average Computation:**

A = 4 points      B = 3 points      C = 2 points      D = 1 point      F = 0 points

In determining Grade Point Average, one point per semester is added for each course taken from Advanced Placement and specific Honors level courses as noted on the transcript.

**Transcript Data:**

**Academic GPA:** This represents marks earned during grades 9-12. Excluded are non-college preparatory courses, physical education, athletics, and courses earning a grade of “Pass” or “Credit”.

**Total GPA:** This represents marks earned during grades 9-12. Excluded are courses earning a mark of “Pass” or “Credit”.

Courses taken at the middle school that are not on the University High School transcript include Algebra 1 or a higher level mathematics course and some Level 1 World Language courses.

**Community Service is not required for graduation.** However, students who complete 25 hours or more of voluntary community service during the school year are eligible to receive a notation on the transcript.
**Academic Honesty and Integrity:**

All students are expected to demonstrate honesty and integrity while in attendance at University High School and each student signs an Academic Honesty Contract. Students are expected to do their own work. This includes test taking, homework, class assignments and the creation of original essays, compositions, term papers and scientific research.

**University High School: Curriculum**

University High School offers a rigorous academic curriculum. The majority of classes are offered at the College Preparatory level. Students who meet course prerequisites may enroll in Honors and Advanced Placement courses. There are six class periods during the regular school day. An optional seventh class is available for students who participate in Drama, Music, Leadership, Journalism, and Yearbook/Photojournalism. The Irvine Unified School District’s minimum credit requirements for high school graduation are listed below.

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<th>English*</th>
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<th>Science</th>
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<td>Additional courses &amp; electives</td>
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Total 215

*10 credits of ELA 1 and 10 credits of ELA 2 will count towards English for graduation

**College Preparatory (CP) Course Offerings by Subject Area:**

We offer 7 year long Honors/Enhanced courses and 23 Advance Placement courses. Courses indicated with an asterisk * receive an extra point in the grade point average calculation. Students taking these courses during the 10th, 11th, or 12th grades will be awarded bonus points by the University of California system (UC): i.e. A=5, B=4, C=3.

**English**

- English 1 (Honors, SH or CP)
- English 2 (Honors, SH or CP)
- English 3
- *AP English Language
- English 4 (not offered as of 19-20)
- *AP English Lit and Composition
- Writing Across Genres (offered as of 18-19)
- ERWC (offered as of 18-19)
- Contemporary Literature (not offered as of 18-19)
- Communications (not offered as of 18-19)
- Speech & Debate (not offered as of 18-19)
- College Prep. Comp. (only offered in summer)
- Creative Writing in the Digital Age
- Graphic Novel (offered as of 18-19)
- Science Fiction Literature (offered as of 19-20)
- Voices of Marg. Populations (offered as of 19-20)
- Beg. Journalism
- Adv. Journalism

**Science**

- Earth Systems Science (not offered as of 18-19)
- Biology (not offered as of 18-19)
- Next Gen Biology (offered as of 18-19)
- Honors Biology (not offered as of 18-19)
- Honors Next Gen Biology (offered as of 18-19)
- Marine Science
- Anatomy and Physiology
- *AP Biology
- Chemistry
- Next Gen Chemistry (offered as of 19-20)
- *Honors Next Gen Chem. (as of 19-20)
- *Honors Chemistry
- *AP Chemistry
- *AP Environmental Science
- Physics
- *AP Physics
- Principles of Engineering
- Intro to Engineering

**Mathematics**

- Math IAB
- Math 1CD
- Math 1
- Math II (Offered as of 16-17)
- Enhanced Math II (Offered as of 16-17)
- Mobile App Development (Offered as of 17-18)
- Business Math (Offered as of 17-18)
- Int. Algebra (Not offered as of 17-18)
- Algebra 2 (Not offered as of 17-18)
- Honors Algebra 2 (Not offered as of 17-18)
- Math III (Offered as of 17-18)
- *Enhanced Math III (Offered as of 17-18)
- Functions, Statistics & Trig.
- College Math Prep (as of 18-19)
- Pre-Calculus
- *Honors Pre-Calculus (not offered as of 18-19)
- Statistics
- *AP Statistics
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- *AP Computer Science

**Social Science**

- Global Perspectives (Honors, SH or CP)
- United States History (SH or CP)
- *AP United States History
- Political Science
- *AP Political Science
- Economics
- *AP Macro Economics
- *AP Human Geography (Not offered 19-20)
- World History
- *AP World History (Not offered 19-20)
- Psychology
- *AP Psychology
- The American Experience
- World Religions (not offered 18-19)
- Ethnic Studies (offered as of 19-20)

**World Languages**

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- American Sign Language I

**Visual Arts**

- Art Studio
- Advanced Studio Art
- *AP Studio: Art Drawing
- *AP Art History
- Beg. Ceramics
- Int. Ceramics
- Adv. Ceramics
- Graphic Design
- Adv. Graphic Design
- *AP Studio Art: 2D Design
- Visual Imagery
- Adv. Visual Imagery
- Video Production
- Adv. Video Production
- Art of Fashion (not offered 19-20)
- Photojournalism

**Performing Arts**

- Dance Technique I
- Dance Technique II
- Dance Production
- UHS Choir
- Canta Bella
- Madrigal Singers
- Music Technology
- Drama I
- Drama 2
- Adv. Drama
- Adv. Theatre Production
- Tech Theater
- Adv. Tech Theater
- Concert Band
- Symphonic Band
- Wind Ensemble
- Wind Symphony
- Jazz Ensemble
- Concert Orchestra
- Philharmonic Orchestra
- Symphonic Orchestra
- String Orchestra
- *AP Music Theory (not offered 18-19)

**Business**

- Virtual Enterprise
- Intro to Auto (ROP)
University High School, Irvine, CA

College / University Matriculation:
University High School students apply to and enroll at schools that reflect each student’s individual interests and strengths. Graduates in the Class of 2019 reported they will be attending the following schools:

In-State/CA Schools:
- American Career College
- American Univ. of Dramatic Arts
- Biola University
- California State @ Chico
- Dominguez Hills
- Long Beach
- Poly Pomona
- Poly San Luis Obispo
- Fullerton
- San Diego
- Chapman University
- College of the Desert
- Concordia College-Irvine
- Dominican University of CA
- Fashion Institution of Design & Merchandising, Irvine
- Fullerton College
- Golden West College
- Holy Names University
- Irvine Valley College
- Laguna College of Art & Design
- Loyola Marymount
- Northwestern Preparatory
- Occidental College
- Orange Coast College
- Otis College of Art & Design
- Pitzer College
- Point Loma Nazarene Univ.
- Pomona College
- Saddleback Comm. College
- Santa Ana College
- Santa Clara University
- Santa Monica College
- Santiago Canyon College
- Soka University of America
- Southern CA Inst. Of Arch.
- Stanford University
- University of California @ Berkeley
- Davis
- Irvine
- Los Angeles
- Merced
- Riverside
- San Diego
- Santa Barbara
- Santa Cruz
- University of the Pacific
- University of Redlands
- University of San Francisco
- USC
- Westmont College

Out of State Schools:
- Allegheny College
- American Acad. Of Dramatic Arts
- American University
- Arizona State University
- Baylor University
- Berklee College of Music
- Boston University
- Brown University
- Bryant University
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Case Western Reserve
- Colby College
- Columbia University
- Cornell University
- Duke University
- Emory University
- Florida Polytechnic University
- Gallaudet University
- Georgetown University
- The George Washington Univ.
- Harvard
- Indiana Univ. @ Bloomington
- Iowa State University
- Lehigh University
- Maryland Inst. Of Art & Design
- Mesa Community College
- Miami University-Oxford, OH
- Michigan State University
- MIT
- Montana State University
- The New School
- New York University
- Northeastern University
- Penn State
- Pratt Institute
- Princeton University
- Purdue University
- Rensselaer Polytechnic
- Rhode Island Coll. Of Design
- Rhodes College
- School of Visual Arts (NY)
- St. Olaf College
- The Ohio State University
- Tufts University
- Tulane University
- Universal Technical Institute
- University of Alabama
- University of Arizona
- University of Chicago
- University of Colorado-Boulder
- University of Illinois
- University of Kentucky
- University of Massachusetts
- University of Minnesota
- University of Oregon
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of Portland
- University of Rochester
- University of Washington
- University of Wisconsin
- US Air Force Academy
- US Military Academy-Army
- Vanderbilt University
- Washington Univ. in St. Louis
- Wellesley College
- Western Michigan University
- Whitman College
- Yale University

International Schools:
- Canada:
  - Concordia Univ.-Montreal
- China:
  - Duke Kunshan University
- France:
  - American University of Paris
- Japan:
  - Keio University
- Spain:
  - Francisco De Victoria Univ.