



Student Classification

High school students in the Academy are classified as freshmen, sophomores, juniors, or seniors by how many credits they have earned toward graduation, rather than by their number of years spent in high school.

Freshman: 0.0 – 4.9 credits

Sophomore: 5.0 – 9.9 credits

Junior: 10.0 – 14.9 credits

Senior: 15.0 or more credits

A student's overall Grade Point Average (GPA) is found by dividing the sum of all quality points (grade points x credits earned) by the sum of all credits attempted. Only courses with grades of A, B, C, D, or F are considered. The Academy uses a 4.0 grade point scale, and weights grade points for plus and minus grades, with an A or A+ receiving 4.0 grade points, and an F receiving 0.

The academy does not, for the sake of GPA, weight courses, whether completed in the Academy or in a previous school.



ACADEMIC POLICIES

High School Graduation Requirements

Only students who have maintained full-time enrollment (earning 5.5 or more UCAS credits in the same enrollment term for two consecutive semesters of their senior year) are eligible for an UCAS diploma.

The college preparatory course of study is designed to prepare students for entrance into most colleges and universities. However, because each college or university has its own entrance requirements, the student will want to consult with the college of his or her choice in order to meet its specific high school program requirements. This is the responsibility of the student.

UPPERROOM CHRISTIAN ACADEMY SCHOOL's general course of study does not represent the same scope or rigor of the college preparatory course of study. Students completing the general course of study possess credentials enabling them to attend community college, some vocational or technical schools, and possibly some universities.

Twenty-one credits are the minimum needed to earn a high school diploma from UPPERROOM CHRISTIAN ACADEMY SCHOOL. If a particular state considers an UCAS student as a homeschool student and has additional graduation requirements, it is the parent's responsibility to ensure that these requirements are met.

To graduate within four years, students should be enrolled in at least 5 classes each year. That does not include a continuing student who may have fewer than 5 credits left to complete in order to graduate. Additional credits may be earned for



courses taken outside of the Academy, as long as the courses have been evaluated and pre-approved by Academy administration. Requests for such approval must be submitted via the "Outside Elective Application Form" (***Attached Exhibit B***). A recording fee is assessed for each outside elective.

Starting with the 2019-2020 school year, full-time high school students must enroll in a minimum of 0.5 credits of Bible each school year.

Your Education Coordinator will work with you and your student to ensure that graduation requirements for either the College Preparatory or General Preparatory course of study are met.

Comparison of Two Tracks for Graduation

College Preparatory (Minimum Requirements)	Credits	General Preparatory (Minimum Requirements)	Credits
English (I, II, III, & IV)	4	English (at least through English III)	4
Math (2 years beyond Algebra I)	4	Math (1 year beyond Algebra I)	3
Science (includes two lab courses)	3	Science (includes lab course)	2
History (World, U.S.)	2	History (World, U.S.)	2
U.S. Government/Civics	0.5	U.S. Government/Civics	0.5
Economics	0.5	Economics	0.5
Bible (taken at UCAS)	1	Bible (taken at UCAS)	1
Health	0.5	Health	0.5
Physical Education	1	Physical Education	1
Fine/Practical Art Elective	1	Fine/Practical Art elective	1
Foreign Language	2		
Electives	1.5	Electives	5.5
Total credits required for Graduation:	21.0	Total credits required for Graduation	21.0

A full list of high School Courses offered by UCA School can be found in attached "Course Catalog" (***See Attached Exhibit C***).



High School Reference Sheet

Typical sequence of courses for a college preparatory student

Chemistry1 Physics or Elective1

Freshman Year	Credit	Sophomore Year	Credit
English I	1	English II	1
Algebra I	1	Geometry	1
World History	1	U.S. History	1
Integrated Physics & Chemistry	1	Biology	1
Physical Education	1	Foreign Language	1
Bible Elective	0.5	Bible Elective	0.5
Junior Year	Credit	Senior Year	Credit
English III	1	English IV	1
Algebra II	1	Pre-Calculus or Consumer Math	1
Government	0.5	Bible Elective	0.5
Chemistry	1	Health	0.5
Foreign Language	1	Fine/Practical Art Elective	1
Bible Elective	0.5	Economics	0.5
Foreign Language	1	Fine/Practical Art Elective	1
		Elective	0.5