



Dalian American International School

Course Catalog

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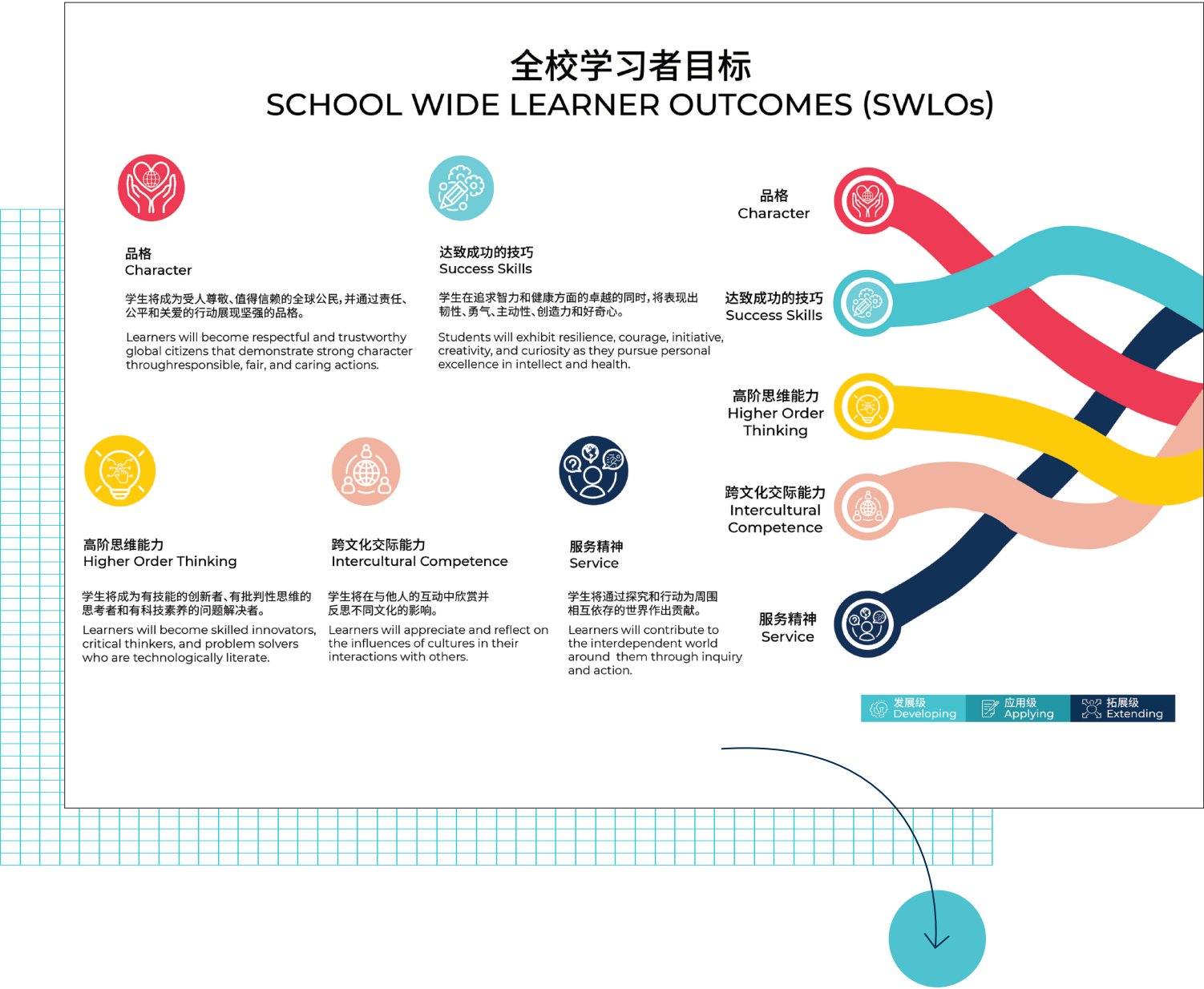


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Dalian American International School Mission

Dalian American International School facilitates a challenging, collaborative, and responsive learning environment that develops student intellect, character, and health. At DHS, every learner strives to achieve personal excellence and contributes to the global community.



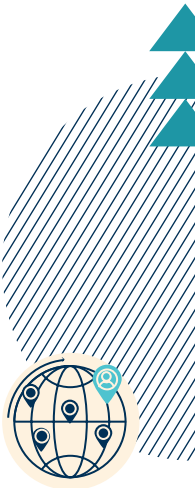
Recommendations for University Preparation

University Planning

Huamei supports students and families through the university planning process with group sessions and individual counseling. Students receive personalized guidance to build college readiness plans and prepare for applications and admissions.

Huamei School Graduation Requirements

Subject Area	Huamei Graduation Requirement	Recommended Credits for University
English Language Arts	4	4
Mathematics	3	4
Social Studies	3	4
Natural Sciences	3	4
World Languages	3	4
Fine Arts (Music and Visual Arts)	2	1
Physical Education	2	-
Health Education	0.5	-
EAL Class and/or Applied Studies	4	-
Elective Courses	4.5	8
Total Credits	29	29



Advanced Placement (AP)



AP courses offer college-level study for high school students. Strong exam scores may earn university credit or advanced placement. Enrollment is based on teacher recommendation, test results, and academic performance.

Advancement Placement Course Offerings*:

SCIENCE

AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Physics C –
Electricity & Magnetism
AP Physics C - Mechanics
AP Physics 1
AP Physics 2

MATHEMATICS

AP Calculus AB
AP Calculus BC
AP Statistics
AP Pre-Calculus
AP Computer
Science Principles
AP Computer Science A

SOCIAL STUDIES

AP Human Geography
AP World History
AP US History
AP Macro-Economics
AP Micro-Economics
AP Psychology
AP Business and
Personal Finance

ENGLISH

AP English Language
AP English Literature

FINE ARTS

AP Music Theory
AP Studio Art 2D

LANGUAGE

AP Chinese Language
and Culture

*The availability of AP courses each year is subject to the final number of enrolled students.



Grade-Level Overview

These are sample schedules for most students. Individual schedules may vary based on course selection and academic needs.



Grade 9 – Foundation

English 9	Grade 9 Physical Science	Physical Education
Integrated Math II	Chinese for Literacy Development I	Elective
Social Studies 9 Pre-AP Social Studies	Applied Studies or EAL	

Grade 10 – Skill Development

English 10 English Seminar 10 AP English	Social Studies 10 Pre-AP Social Studies AP Social Studies	Applied Studies or EAL Physical Education
Integrated Math III	Grade 10 Life Science Chinese for Literacy Development II	Elective

Grade 11 – Specialization

Asian Literature AP English	Environmental Science Physics AP Science	Elective Elective
Pre-Calculus or AP Mathematics	Chinese for Literacy Development III	
US History Asian Studies Psychology AP Social Studies	Applied Studies	

Grade 12 – University Preparation

American Literature or AP English	US History Asian Studies Psychology AP Social Studies	Chinese for Literacy Development IV
Pre-Calculus Transition to College Math & Statistics AP Mathematics	Environmental Science Physics AP Science	Applied Studies
		Elective
		Elective



Electives

Students can choose from a wide range of elective courses in areas such as Arts, Physical Education, and Advanced Placement (AP). Please refer to the Course Catalogue for the full list and detailed descriptions of elective offerings.

After meeting graduation requirements in a subject area, students may take an additional course in that subject (e.g., English, Math, Science, or Social Studies) as an elective.

International A Level Program



A Level courses provide in-depth subject study and prepare students for university. The program is widely recognized by universities worldwide and develops critical thinking, independent learning, and clear communication skills.

- Students may begin AS/A Level courses in Grade 11.
- Students cannot take both AP and A Level courses at the same time.

A Level Course Offerings

- A Level Chinese-Language and Literature
- AS & A Level Business
- AS & A Level Economics
- AS & A Level Mathematics
- AS & A Level Mathematics - Further
- AS & A Level Physics



Syracuse University Project Advance (SUPA)

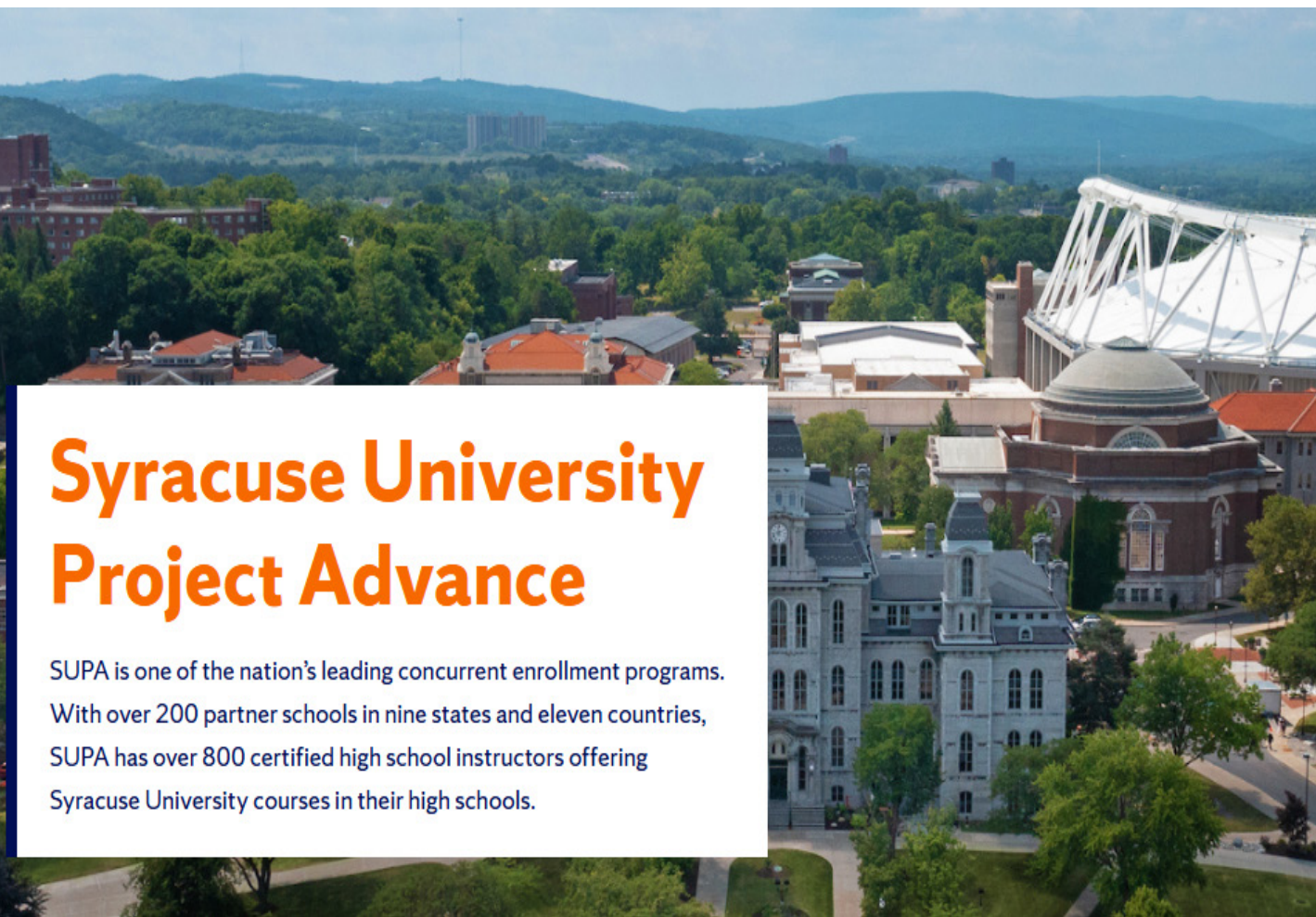
SUPA allows qualified students to take Syracuse University courses on campus and earn both high school and college credit. Admission is based on teacher recommendation, test results, and academic performance. A minimum GPA of 3.70 is required.

Syracuse University Project Advance (SUPA) Courses

Calculus

Practices of Academic Writing

Intro to Sociology



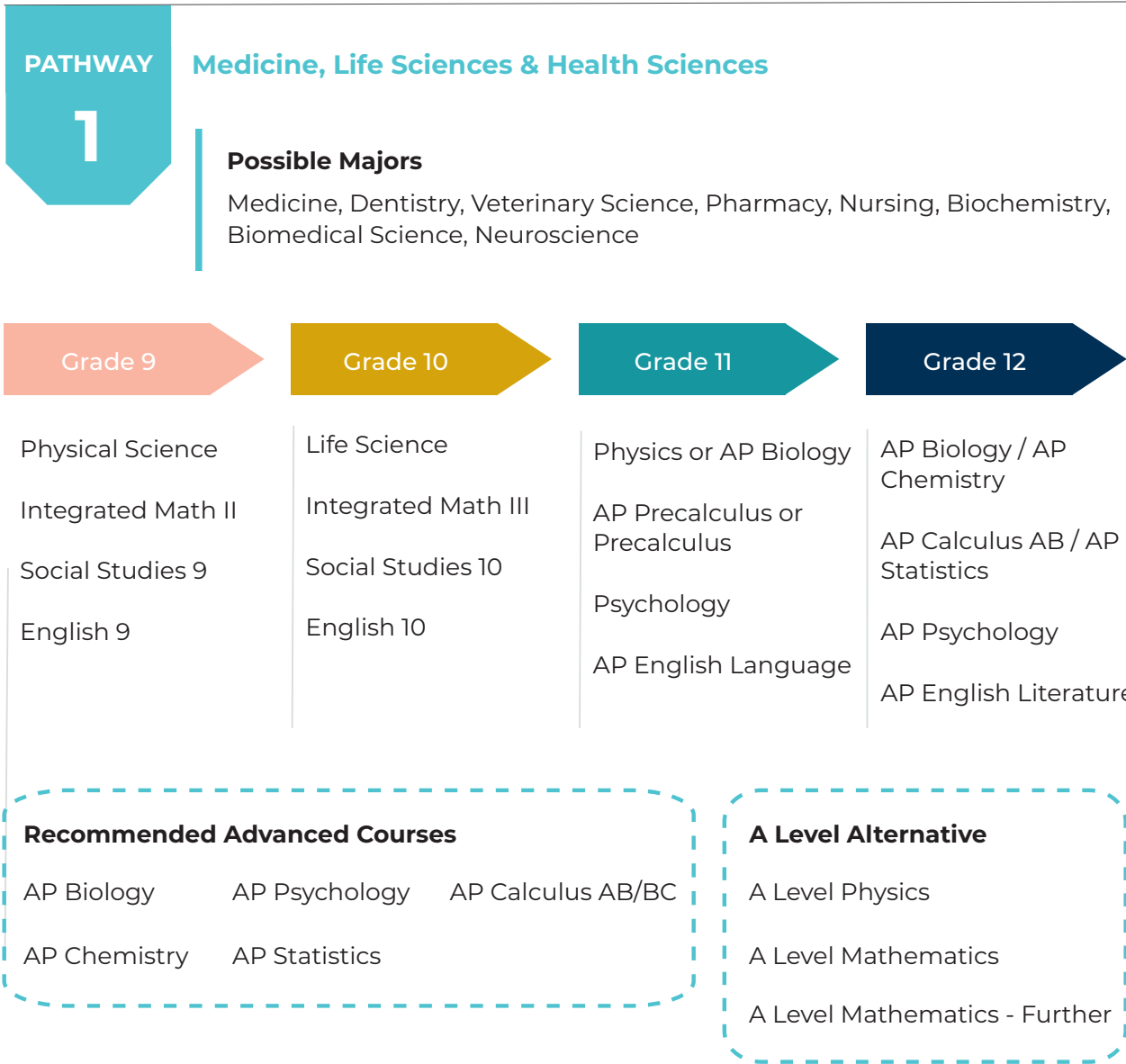
Syracuse University Project Advance

SUPA is one of the nation's leading concurrent enrollment programs. With over 200 partner schools in nine states and eleven countries, SUPA has over 800 certified high school instructors offering Syracuse University courses in their high schools.

Academic & Career Pathways

Suggested Four-Year Planning Guide (Grades 9–12)

The pathways below are examples designed to help students align course selections with future university majors and career interests. Individual schedules may vary based on academic performance, university goals, and course availability.



PATHWAY

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Engineering, Computer Science & Technology

Possible Majors

Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, Data Science

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Physical Science	Life Science	Physics	AP Physics C / AP Physics 2
Integrated Math II	Integrated Math III	AP Calculus BC + AP Statistics	SUPA Calculus III
Coding & Digital PM	AP Computer Science Principles	AP Computer Science A	Advanced STEM electives
English 9	English 10	AP English Language	AP English Literature

Recommended Advanced Courses

AP Computer Science Principles AP Calculus BC AP Physics 1/2/C
AP Computer Science A AP Statistics SUPA Calculus III

A Level Alternative

A Level Physics
A Level Mathematics
A Level Further Mathematics



PATHWAY

3

Business, Economics & Finance

Possible Majors

Business Administration, Economics, Accounting, Finance, Marketing, International Business

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Social Studies 9	Social Studies 10	AP Microeconomics	AP Macroeconomics
Integrated Math II	Integrated Math III	AP Statistics	AP Calculus AB or AP Statistics
English 9	English 10	AP English Language	AP English Literature
Elective	Business & Finance	Psychology	Sociology (SUPA)

Recommended Advanced Courses

AP Business & Personal Finance AP Macroeconomics SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology
AP Statistics AP Microeconomics

A Level Alternative

A Level Economics
A Level Business
A Level Mathematics



PATHWAY

4

International Relations, Law & Social Sciences

Possible Majors

International Relations, Political Science, Law, Public Policy, Sociology, Criminology

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Social Studies 9	Social Studies 10	AP World History	AP US History
English 9	English 10	AP English Language	AP English Literature
Psychology	Psychology	AP Psychology	Sociology (SUPA)
MUN	MUN	Student Government	MUN / Leadership

Recommended Advanced Courses

AP World History

AP Psychology

SOC 101 Sociology

AP US History

AP Human Geography



PATHWAY

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Art, Design & Creative Industries

Possible Majors

Graphic Design, Animation, Industrial Design, Fine Arts, Architecture, Digital Media

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Foundation Art	2D/3D Art	Pre-AP Studio Art	AP Studio Art
Integrated Math II	Integrated Math III	Precalculus	Transition Math
Digital Art	Digital Photography	Portfolio Development	AP Studio Art Portfolio
English 9	English 10	AP English Language	American Literature

Recommended Advanced Courses

Digital Art

Pre-AP Studio Art

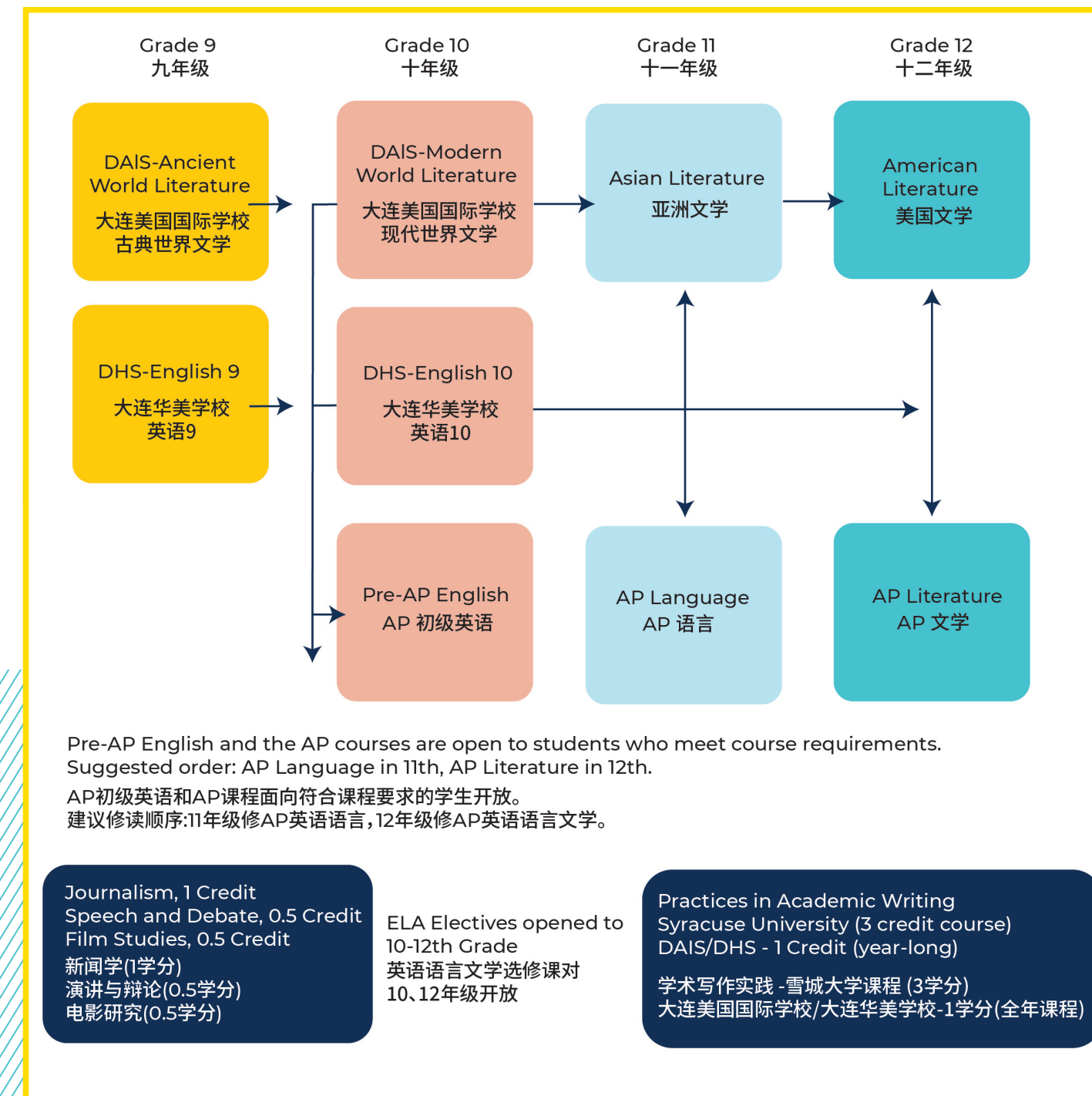
Digital Photography

AP Studio Art



High School Course Descriptions

English Language Arts



PATHWAY

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Media, Communication & Journalism

Possible Majors

Journalism, Media Studies, Film Production, Communications, Advertising

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
English 9	Journalism	Film Studies	AP English Language
Social Studies 9	Social Studies 10	AP Human Geography	Psychology
Speech & Debate	Journalism	MUN	Sociology (SUPA)
Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective

Recommended Advanced Courses

Journalism Speech & Debate AP Human Geography

Film Studies AP English Language



English 9

Builds reading, writing, and communication skills through literature and nonfiction.

 Grade: 10  Credit: 1

English 10

Develops analytical reading, writing, and research skills through modern texts.

 Grade: 10  Credit: 1  Prerequisite: English 9

Pre-AP English II (Non Standard Based Grading Course)

Builds critical reading, analytical writing, and academic communication skills.

 Grade: 10  Credit: 1  Prerequisite: English 9; teacher recommendation

Asian Literature

Explores Asian literature while developing analysis, research, and writing skills.

 Grade: 11  Credit: 1  Prerequisite: English 10

American Literature

Surveys American literature and strengthens analytical and writing skills.

 Grade: 12  Credit: 1  Prerequisite: Asian Literature

AP English Language and Composition

College-level course focused on advanced writing, rhetoric, and argumentation.

 Grade: 11–12  Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP and PSAT
 Credit: 1

AP English Literature and Composition

College-level study of literary analysis and interpretation.

 Grade: 11–12  Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP and PSAT
 Credit: 1



Journalism

Develops writing, interviewing, and media production skills.

 Grade: 10–12  Credit: 1

Speech and Debate

Builds public speaking, argumentation, and critical thinking skills.

 Grade: 10–12  Credit: 0.5 elective

Film Studies

Introduces film history, analysis, and basic production skills.

 Grade: 10–12  Credit: 0.5  Prerequisite: Completion of Grade 9

WRT 105: Academic Writing (SUPA)

College-level writing course focused on academic research and composition.

 Grade: 12  Prerequisite: GPA 3.7; teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP and PSAT
 Credit: 1

English as an Additional Language (EAL)

English as an Additional Language (EAL)

Intensive course designed to develop English language skills through targeted support.

 Grade: 9–10  Credit: 1  Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation; WIDA placement



Social Studies



Social Studies 9

Introduces world history to the 18th century and builds global perspective.

Grade: 9 Credit: 1 Prerequisite: Completion of Grade 8 Social Studies

Social Studies 10

Explores modern world history and global issues.

Grade: 10 Credit: 1 Prerequisite: Completion of Social Studies 9

Asian Studies

Explores modern world history and global issues.

Grade: 11-12 Credit: 1 Prerequisite: Completion of Social Studies 10

United States History

Surveys U.S. history and develops historical analysis skills.

*US History may be required by some US colleges.

Grade: 11-12 Credit: 1 Prerequisite: Completion of Social Studies 10 or equivalent

Psychology

Introduces human behavior, cognition, and psychological research.

Content Area Credit: Psychology may count as either a Science or Social Studies elective credit.

- Grade: 11–12
- Credit: 1
- Prerequisite: Completion of Social Studies 10 or Life Science or equivalent

AP Human Geography

College-level study of global patterns, cultures, and human systems.

- Grade: 9–12
- Credit: 1
- Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP and PSAT

AP Microeconomics

Studies decision-making of individuals and markets.

- Grade : 11–12
- Credit: 1
- Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP and PSAT

AP Macroeconomics

Explores economic systems, growth, and global markets.

- Grade: 11–12
- Credit: 1
- Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP and PSAT

AP Psychology

College-level study of behavior, cognition, and mental processes.

Content Area Credit: AP Psychology may count as either a Science or Social Studies elective.

- Grade : 11–12
- Credit : 1
- Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP and PSAT



AP World History

Develops college-level understanding of global history through key themes and historical thinking from ancient times to the present.

 Grade : 9–12

 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP and PSAT

 Credit : 1

AP United States History

College-level study of U.S. history and historical analysis.

 Grade :11–12

 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP and PSAT

 Credit : 1

AP Business & Finance

As part of the AP Career Kickstart™ program, introduces business concepts and personal finance skills.

 Grade :10–12

 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP and PSAT

 Credit : 1

AS/A Level Business

Develops understanding of business operations and decision-making.

 Grade : 10

 Credit: 2-year course

 Prerequisite: Completion of Social Studies 10 or equivalent

AS/A Level Economics

Explores economic systems, theory, and global issues.

 Grade :11–12

 Prerequisite: Completion of Social Studies 10 or equivalent

 Credit: 2-year course

SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology (SUPA)

College-level course exploring society and social behavior.

 Grade : 12

 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP and PSAT

 Syracuse University Credit: 3



Chinese

Chinese for Literacy Development I

Builds foundational reading, writing, and communication skills through literature and nonfiction texts.

 Grade : 9  Credit : 1  Prerequisite: Completion of Huamei Mandarin 8 or equivalent

Chinese for Literacy Development II

Develops reading, writing, and analysis skills through classical and modern texts.

 Grade : 10  Credit : 1  Prerequisite: Completion of Chinese I or equivalent

Chinese for Literacy Development III

Strengthens analytical reading and academic writing, including essays and research.

 Grade: 11  Credit: 1  Prerequisite: Completion of Chinese II or equivalent

Chinese for Literacy Development IV

Advances literary analysis and research writing through classical and modern works.

 Grade : 12  Credit : 1  Prerequisite: Completion of Chinese III or equivalent

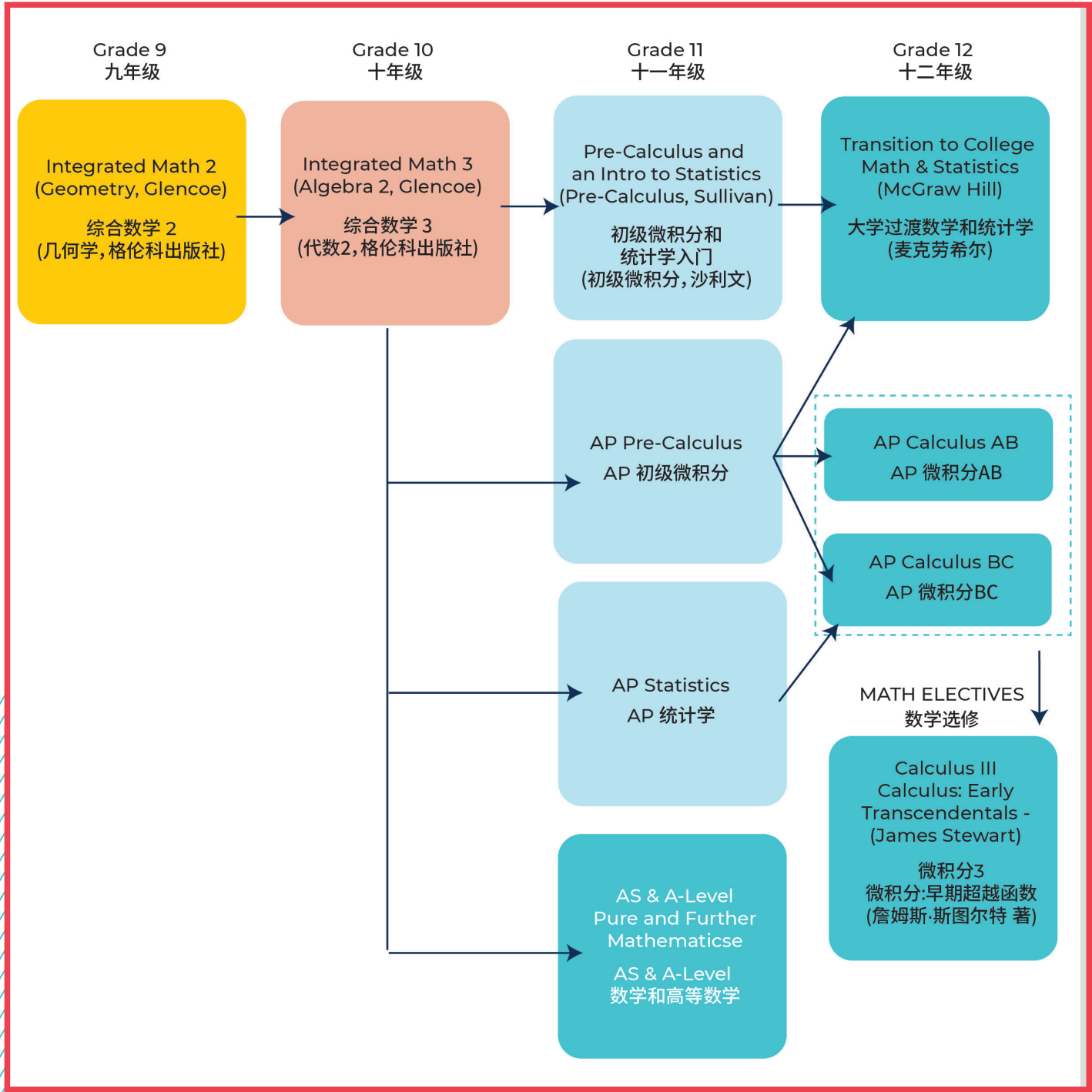
A Level Chinese Language & Literature

Develops advanced Chinese proficiency and intercultural communication skills. Suitable for learners working at a level equivalent to at least B1 on the CEFR

 Grade :11-12  Prerequisite: Completion of Social Studies 10 or equivalent
 Credit: 2-year course



Mathematics



Integrated Math II

Builds algebra and geometry skills with focus on reasoning, quadratics, and trigonometry.

Grade: 9 Credit: 1 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and/or completion of Integrated Math I

Integrated Math III

Extends algebra, functions, trigonometry, and introductory statistics.

Grade: 10 Credit: 1 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and/or completion of Integrated Math II

Pre-Calculus & Introduction to Statistics

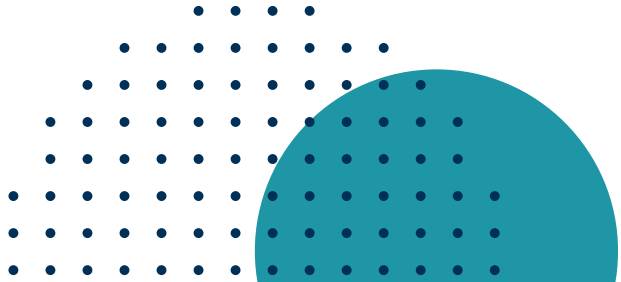
Prepares students for calculus and statistics through functions and data analysis.

Grade: 11-12 Credit: 1 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and/or completion of Integrated Math III

Transition to College Math & Statistics

Focuses on problem-solving, modelling, and real-world math applications.

Grade: 12 Credit: 1 Prerequisite: Completion of Pre-Calculus or Integrated Math III



AP Pre-Calculus

Develops advanced understanding of functions and mathematical modeling.

 Grade: 10–12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and completion of Integrated III or completion of Pre-Calculus

AP Calculus AB

College-level introduction to limits, derivatives, and integrals.

 Grade: 11–12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on MAP and PSAT

AP Calculus BC

Advanced calculus including series, parametric, and vector functions.

 Grade: 11–12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on MAP and PSAT

AP Statistics

Introduces data analysis, probability, and statistical inference.

 Grade: 11–12

 Credit : 1

 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on MAP

AP Statistics

Introduces data analysis, probability, and statistical inference.

 Grade: 11–12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on MAP

AP Computer Science Principles

Introduces computing concepts, problem-solving, and programming basics.

 Grade: 9–12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and enrolled in Integrated Math II or higher



AP Computer Science A

Focuses on programming, algorithms, and object-oriented design.

Grade:10–12

Credit: 1

Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and completion of AP Computer Science Principles or equivalent

AS/A Level Mathematics

Develops advanced mathematical reasoning and problem-solving skills.

Grade:11–12

Credit: 2-year course

Prerequisite: Completion of Integrated Math III or equivalent

AS/A Level Further Mathematics

Introduces data analysis, probability, and statistical inference.

Grade:11–12

Credit: 2-year course

Prerequisite: Completion of AP Pre-Calculus or equivalent

MAT 397 Calculus III (SUPA)

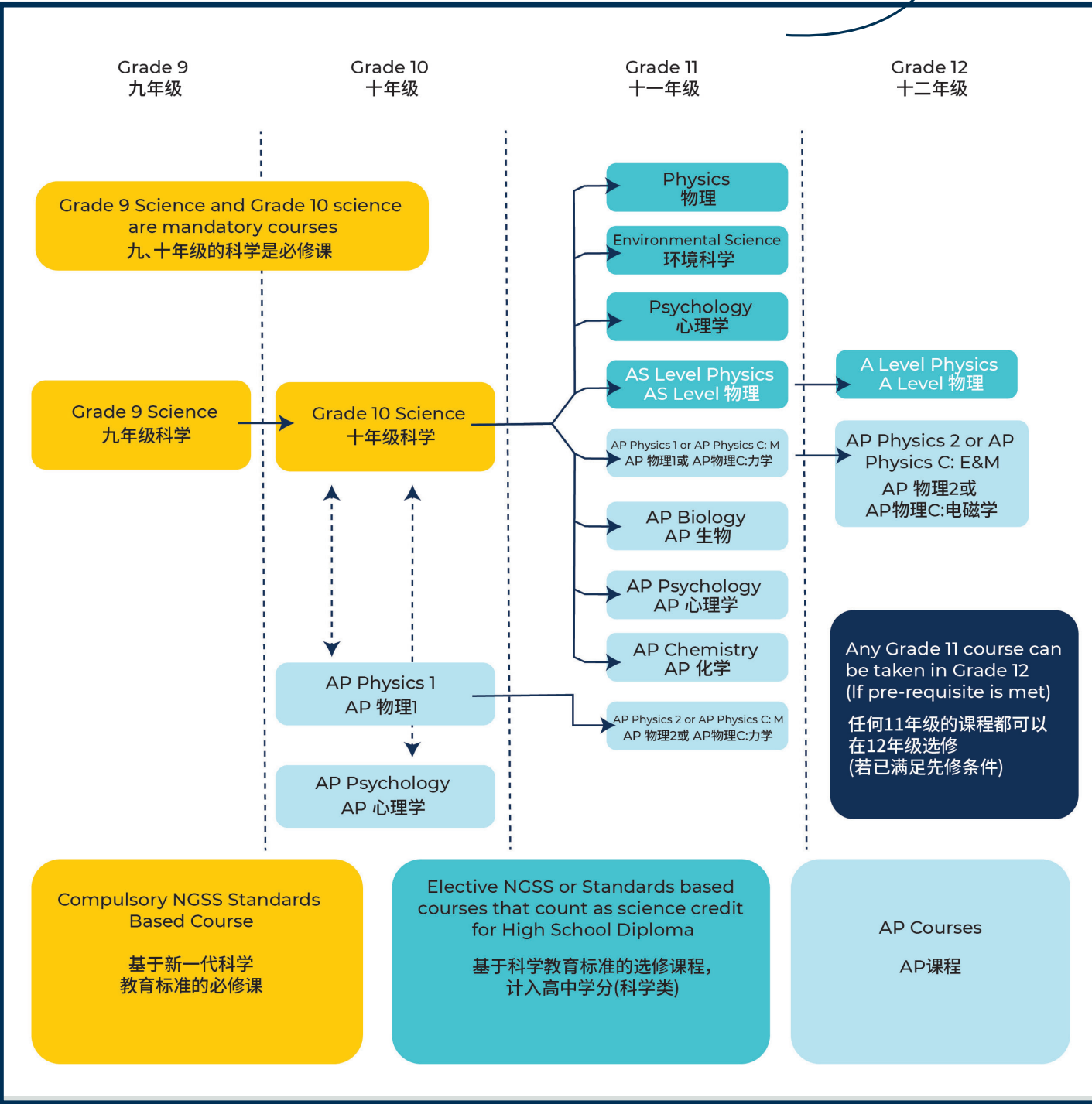
Introduces data analysis, probability, and statistical inference.

Grade:12

Syracuse University
Credit: 4

Prerequisite: GPA 3.7; teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP, and PSAT.

Science



DHS Grade 9 Physical Science

Introduces basic chemistry and physics concepts through inquiry-based learning.

 Grade:9

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Completion of Huamei Science 8 or equivalent

DHS Grade 10 Life Science

Explores biology, living systems, and scientific investigation skills.

 Grade:10

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation or completion of Grade 9 Physical Science or equivalent

Environmental Science

Explores biology, living systems, and scientific investigation skills.

Note: Includes outdoor activities such as short hikes and light physical work.

 Grade:11-12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation or completion of Grade 10 Life Science

Physics

Develops problem-solving skills through the study of mechanics, energy, electricity, and waves.

 Grade:11-12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation, completion of Grade 10 Life Science or concurrent enrollment

Psychology

Introduces human behavior, cognition, and psychological research.

Content Area Credit: Psychology may count as either a Science or Social Studies elective credit.

 Grade:11-12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Completion of Social Studies 10 or Life Science or equivalent

AP Chemistry

College-level study of chemical structure, reactions, and thermodynamics.

 Grade:11-12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP, and PSAT



AP Biology

College-level study of molecules, heredity, evolution, and populations.

-  Grade:11-12  Credit: 1  Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP, and PSAT

AP Physics 1

Introduces algebra-based physics through mechanics and energy.

-  Grade:11-12  Credit: 1  Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and enrolled in Integrated Math III or higher

AP Physics 2

Continues algebra-based physics with fields, waves, and conservation laws.

-  Grade:11-12  Credit: 1  Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and completion of AP Physics 1

AP Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism

Calculus-based study of electricity, magnetism, and circuits.

-  Grade:11-12  Credit: 1  Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and completion or enrolled in AP Calculus

AP Psychology

College-level study of behavior, cognition, and mental processes.

Content Area Credit: AP Psychology may count as either a Science or Social Studies elective.

-  Grade:11-12  Credit: 1  Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation and qualifying scores on WRAP, MAP and PSAT

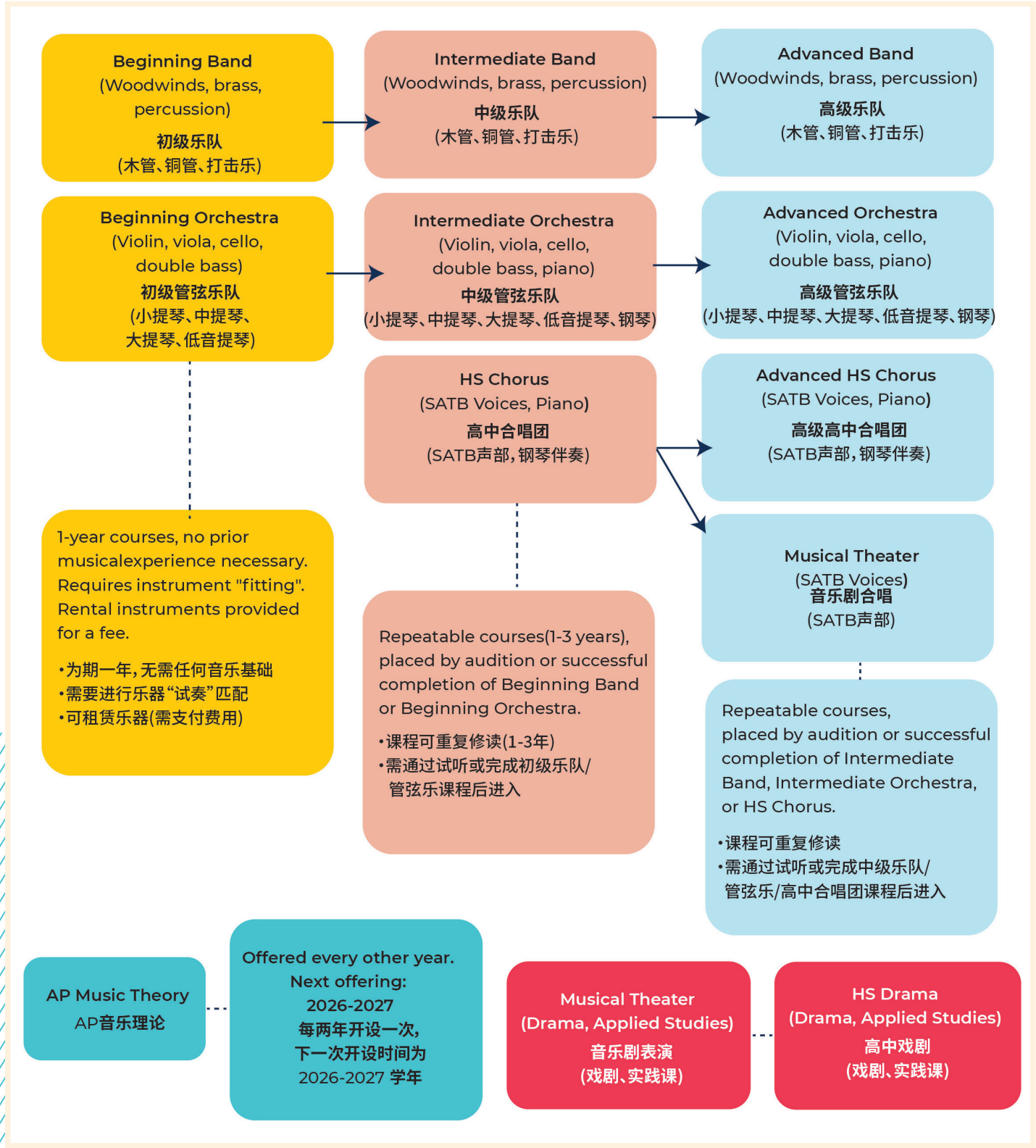
AS/A Level Physics

Develops advanced physics understanding through theory and practical skills.

-  Grade:11-12  Prerequisite: Completion of Grade 10 Life Science
-  Credit: 2-year course



Music



Chorus

Develops vocal technique and ensemble performance through choral singing.

Note: Includes after-school rehearsals and performances; repeatable, can be taken multiple

Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1

Chorus for Musical Theater

Combines singing, acting, and performance in musical theater productions.

Note: Includes after-school rehearsals and performances; repeatable, can be taken multiple years

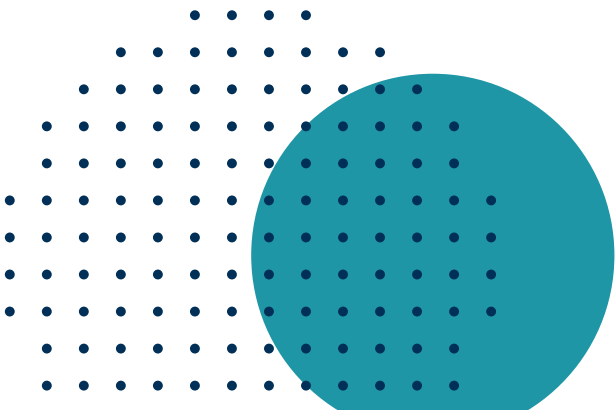
Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1

Beginning Band

Introduces basic skills on wind, brass, or percussion instruments. The following instruments will be taught in this course: Flute, Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, Euphonium and Percussion (all percussionists will learn Pitched and Non-pitched percussion)

Note: Includes after-school rehearsals and performances which are calculated into semester grades.

Grade: 9-12 Credit: 1



Intermediate Band

Develops performance and ensemble skills for experienced players. The following instruments are invited: Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet, Alto/Tenor/Baritone Saxophone, Trumpet, Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Percussion (all percussionists will learn Pitched and Non-pitched percussion), and Piano (seats are limited and are subject to audition and teacher approval). Students slotted to play oboe, bassoon, tenor or baritone saxophone, tuba, percussion, and piano will be provided instruments.

Note: Includes after-school rehearsals and performances which are calculated into semester grades. Repeatable, can be taken multiple years

 Grade:9–12  Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Completion of Beginning Band or audition; Minimum one year of prior playing experience on their chosen instrument; Must be able to read pitched music (in either treble or bass clef) and must provide their own instrument.

Advanced Band

Advanced ensemble performance for skilled musicians. The following instruments are invited to enroll in Advanced Band: Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet, Alto/Tenor/Baritone Saxophone, Trumpet, Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Percussion (all percussionists will learn Pitched and Non-pitched percussion), and Piano (seats are limited and are subject to audition and teacher approval)

Note: Includes after-school rehearsals and performances which are calculated into semester grades. Repeatable, can be taken multiple years

 Grade:9–12  Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: 3+ years experience or audition; Must be able to read pitched music (in either treble or bass clef) and must provide their own instrument.



Beginning Orchestra

Introduces string instruments and basic ensemble skills. The following instruments will be taught in this course: Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, Piano (This is an advanced accompaniment role and is subject to audition and teacher approval.)

Note: Includes after-school rehearsals and performances which are calculated into semester grades.

 Grade:9–12  Credit: 1

Intermediate Orchestra

Builds on foundational skills with intermediate-level repertoire. Students in this course will perform Grade 1.5-3 music. The following instruments will be taught in this course: Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, Piano (this is an advanced accompaniment role and is subject to audition and teacher approval).

Note: Includes after-school rehearsals and performances which are calculated into semester grades.

 Grade:9–12  Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Completion of Beginning Orchestra or audition; 1-3 years' experience playing an orchestra string instrument.



Advanced Orchestra

Focuses on advanced ensemble performance and repertoire. The following instruments will be taught in this course: Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, Piano (This is an advanced accompaniment role and is subject to audition and teacher approval.)

Note: Includes after-school rehearsals and performances which are calculated into semester grades.

Grade: 9–12 Credit: 1

Note: Includes after-school rehearsals and performances which are calculated into semester grades.

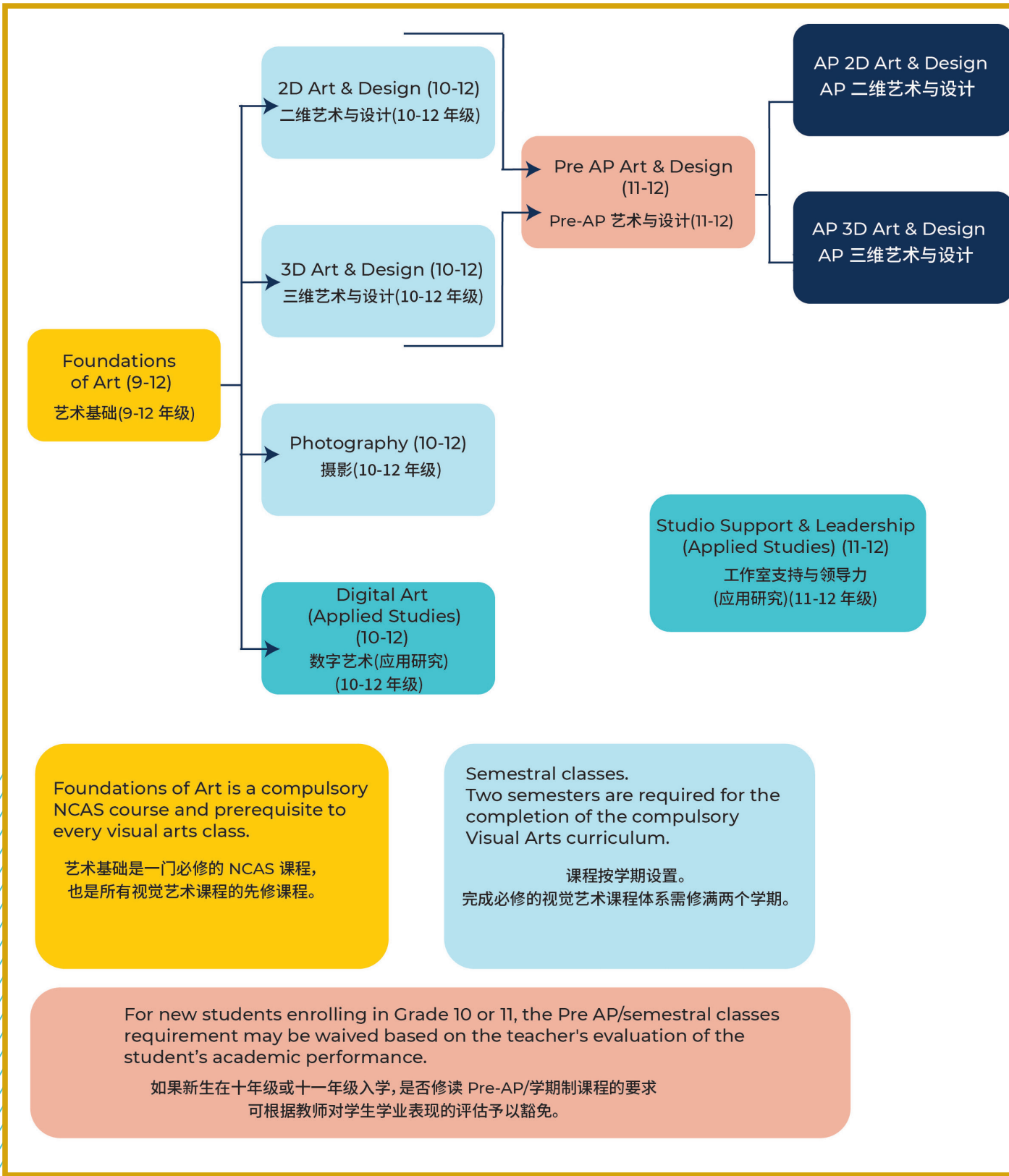
AP Music Theory

College-level study of music theory, harmony, and ear training.

Grade: 9–12 Credit: 1 Prerequisite: Teacher recommendation



Visual Arts



Foundation Art

Introduces drawing, painting, sculpture, and other visual art techniques while developing creative expression and artistic thinking.

Note: Sketchbook required for all art courses

Grade: 9–12 Credit: 1

Digital Photography

Explores photography, visual storytelling, and digital editing techniques.

Grade: 11–12 Credit: 0.5 Prerequisite: Foundation Art

2D Art & Design

Develops artistic skills through drawing, painting, printmaking, and graphic design.

Grade: 10–12 Credit: 0.5 Prerequisite: Foundation Art



3D Art & Design

Introduces sculpture, spatial design, and three-dimensional art techniques.

Grade: 10–12 Credit: 0.5 Prerequisite: Foundation Art

Pre-AP Studio Art

Prepares students for AP Studio Art through portfolio development and advanced studio practice.

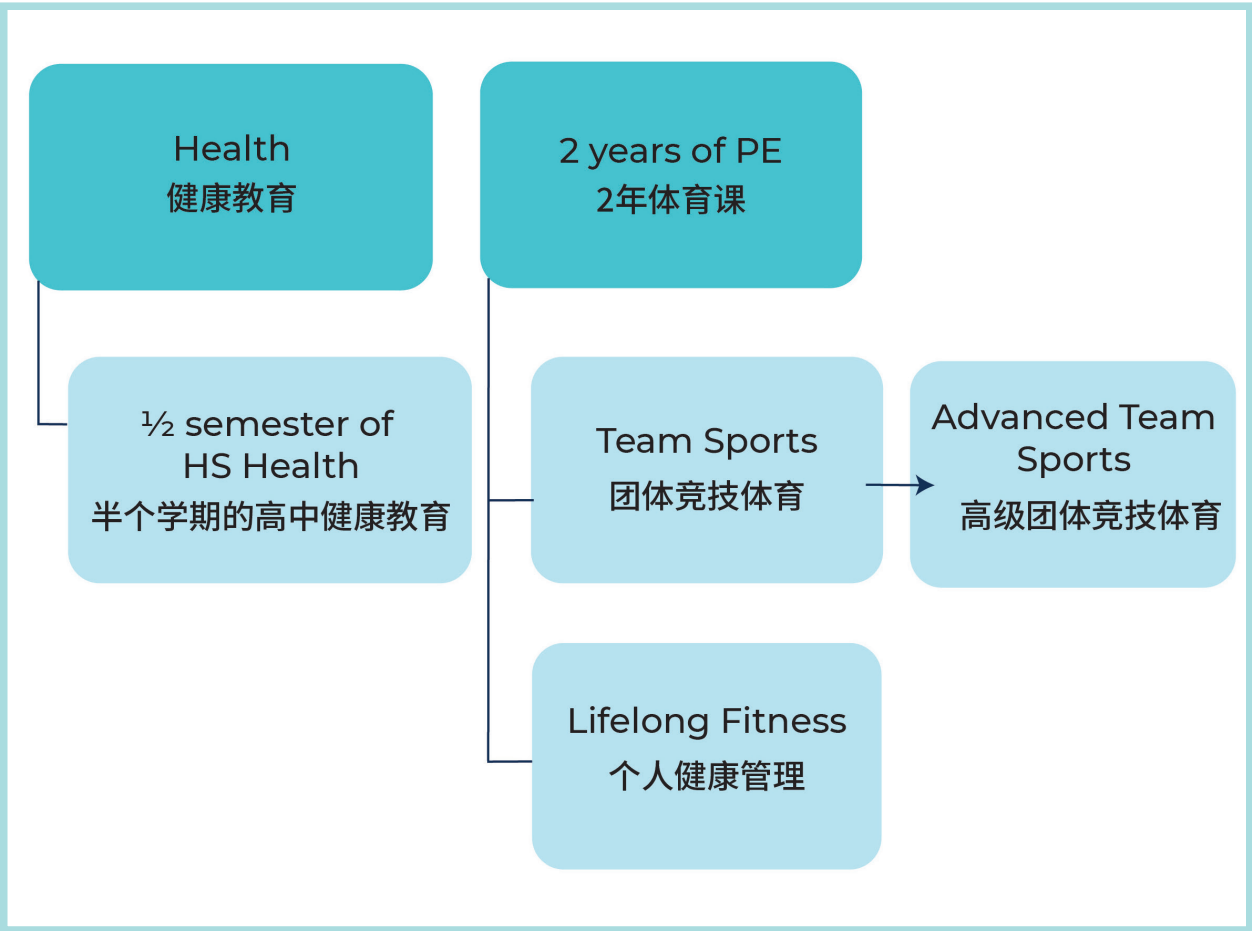
Grade: 11–12 Credit: 1 Prerequisite: Prior art courses, teacher recommendation, and portfolio review

AP Studio Art: 2D

College-level studio art course focused on creative investigation and portfolio development.

Grade: 10–12 Credit: 1 Prerequisite: Prior art courses, teacher recommendation, and portfolio review

Physical Education



Team Sports

Builds teamwork, sportsmanship, and skills through a variety of team sports include basketball, field hockey, soccer, speedball, Aussie football, football, ultimate Frisbee, softball, volleyball, and more.

Note: Repeatable, can be taken multiple years

Grade:9-12

Credit: 1

Advanced Team Sports

Explores photography, visual storytelling, and digital editing techniques.

Note: Repeatable, can be taken multiple years

Grade:10-12

Credit:1

Prerequisite: Completion of Team Sports; teacher recommendation

Lifelong Fitness

Promotes lifelong fitness through individual sports and wellness activities.

Note: Repeatable, can be taken multiple years

Grade:9-12

Credit: 1

Health Education

Develops knowledge and skills for physical, mental, and social well-being.

Grade:9-12

Credit: 0.5

Applied Studies

Students who are in consultative EAL status or have exited EAL may enroll in Applied Studies courses. These courses focus on hands-on learning, creativity, collaboration, and practical skills development. Many courses may be repeated over multiple years.

Applied Studies: Digital Art

Develops digital art and design skills using industry-standard creative software.

 Grade:10–12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Foundation Art

English for University Access & Excellence

Builds academic writing, presentation, and university preparation skills.

 Grade:9–12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: WIDA placement requirements

Applied Studies: Drama

Introduces acting, storytelling, and theatrical production through collaborative performance.

 Grade:9–12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: EAL consultative status or exited EAL

Applied Studies: Drama for Musical Theater

Combines acting, singing, and stage production in musical theater performances.

 Grade:9–12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: EAL consultative status or exited EAL

Applied Studies: Student Government

Develops leadership and teamwork through student government and school events.

Note: Participation requires mandatory evening and weekend commitments throughout the year. Elected Student Government Officers are required to take this Applied Studies.

 Grade:9–12

 Credit:1

 Prerequisite: EAL consultative status or exited EAL

Applied Studies: Model United Nations (MUN)

Explores global issues through debate, research, and Model UN conferences.

 Grade:9–12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: EAL consultative status or exited EAL

Applied Studies: Yearbook

Develops publishing, design, writing, and project management skills through yearbook production.

 Grade:9–12

 Credit: 1

 Prerequisite: Application required



Applied Studies: Coding & Digital Project Management

Introduces coding, game design, web development, and digital project management.

-  Grade:9–12
-  Credit: 1
-  Prerequisite: EAL consultative status or exited EAL

Applied Studies: Engineering & Product Design

Applies engineering and design thinking through hands-on maker projects.

-  Grade:9–12
-  Credit: 1
-  Prerequisite: EAL consultative status or exited EAL

Applied Studies: Robotics

Introduces robotics, programming, and engineering design through project-based learning.

-  Grade:9–12
-  Credit:0.5
-  Prerequisite: EAL consultative status or exited EAL



STEAM

Develops problem-solving and design thinking through interdisciplinary STEM projects.

-  Grade:9–12
-  Credit:0.5
-  Prerequisite: EAL consultative status or exited EAL

Studio Support & Leadership

Provides leadership opportunities through supporting art instruction and studio practice.

-  Grade:11–12
-  Credit:0.5
-  Prerequisite: Prior art coursework



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