

# Course Selection Parent / Student Info Night

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# Course Selection Information Night

- ▶ Graduation Requirements
- ▶ Course Offerings at STA
- ▶ Post Secondary Institutions
- ▶ Scholarships and Bursaries
- ▶ Questions and Answers

# Grad Requirements STA Policy




- ▶ Students are required to take all graduation requirements for the respective year at STA unless the course has already been successfully completed elsewhere (usually at summer school or online during the summer or in a previous term).
- ▶ Students must pass Christian Education 12 in order to participate in all Graduation Activities in June.
- ▶ Drop Deadline for Courses: Sept 20, 2019

SUMMARY OF GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	
SUBJECT	CREDITS
Composition & Creative Writing 10	4
Composition 11	4
English Studies 12	4
Social Studies 10	4
Social Studies 12 *any approved SS 12 course	4
Science 10	4
Science 11 *any approved Science 11 course	4
Mathematics 10	4
Mathematics 11 *any approved Math 11 course	4
Physical & Health Education 10	4
Career Life Education 10	4
Career Life Connections 11-12	4
Arts Education and/or Applied Design, Skills & Technologies 10, 11 or 12	4
Elective Credits	28
TOTAL MINIMUM CREDITS	80

# Graduation Requirements

## Grade 10



▶ Christian Education 10	4 Credits
▶ English 10	4 Credits
▶ Physical Education 10	4 Credits
▶ Planning 10	4 credits
▶ Math 10	4 Credits
▶ Science 10	4 Credits
▶ Social Studies 10	4 Credits
▶ French 10 or LRC	4 Credits
▶ Elective	2 Credits

# Graduation Requirements

## Grade 11

- ▶ Christian Education 11 4 credits
- ▶ English 11 4 credits
- ▶ Math 11 (Numeracy Assessment) 4 credits
- ▶ Science 11 4 credits
- ▶ Social Studies 11 (or a Socials 12) 4 credits
- ▶ Elective (ie. French or Spanish 11) 4 credits
- ▶ Elective (ie. Applied Skill or Fine Art) 4 credits
- ▶ Elective 4 credits
- ▶ Career Life Connections 2 credits

# Graduation Requirements

## Grade 12

- Christian Education 12 4 credits
- English Studies 12 4 credits
- Career Life Connections 2 credits
- At least 4 other Grade 12 Level Courses 16 credits
- Study block, community service or LRC Block

# Registering for Courses

- ▶ Initial course registration will be open online on April 17<sup>th</sup> through Power School.
- ▶ From the initial selections a timetable will be built to accommodate as many students as possible and ensure graduation credits are available to everyone.
- ▶ Students will go online in May to pick their actual timetable.



# Study Blocks & Service Blocks

- ▶ Students are required to be enrolled in at least 7 - four credit courses at STA in their senior year.
- ▶ Grade 12 students may elect to have a study block.
  - ▶ Category A – off campus  
(honour roll or effort honour roll)
  - ▶ Category B – only on campus  
(library or cafeteria)
- ▶ Students can also apply for a **School & Community Service Block**. Selection is based on student experience and teacher need.

# Online Courses



- ▶ STA recommendation is to take all required courses here at STA
- ▶ Students who do not have a required course completed by Fall admission, will be required to take the course at STA
- ▶ For UBC admissions requirement, online courses must be 100% completed by the end of January to be accepted.

# Courses by Department

# Course Offerings

## ▶ **Provincial Courses**

- ▶ Courses with a Provincial Assessment: Math & English Courses

## ▶ **Academic Courses**

- ▶ Courses from approved lists (differs by university) used to calculate admission averages
- ▶ i.e. Law 12, Chemistry 12, Calculus 12, Economics 12

## ▶ **Advanced Placement Courses**

- ▶ Can earn first year university credits in high school
- ▶ May be used for admissions averages

## ▶ **Electives**

- ▶ Fulfill the Arts Education / Applied Design Requirement
- ▶ Languages

# English

Composition 11



English  
Studies 12

Honours  
English 11



Honours  
English 12



Creative  
Writing 12

Literary  
Studies 12

CCC  
Running Start  
or

AP English

# Humanities

Socials 10



Socials 11



20<sup>th</sup> Century  
World History

Comparative  
Cultures 12

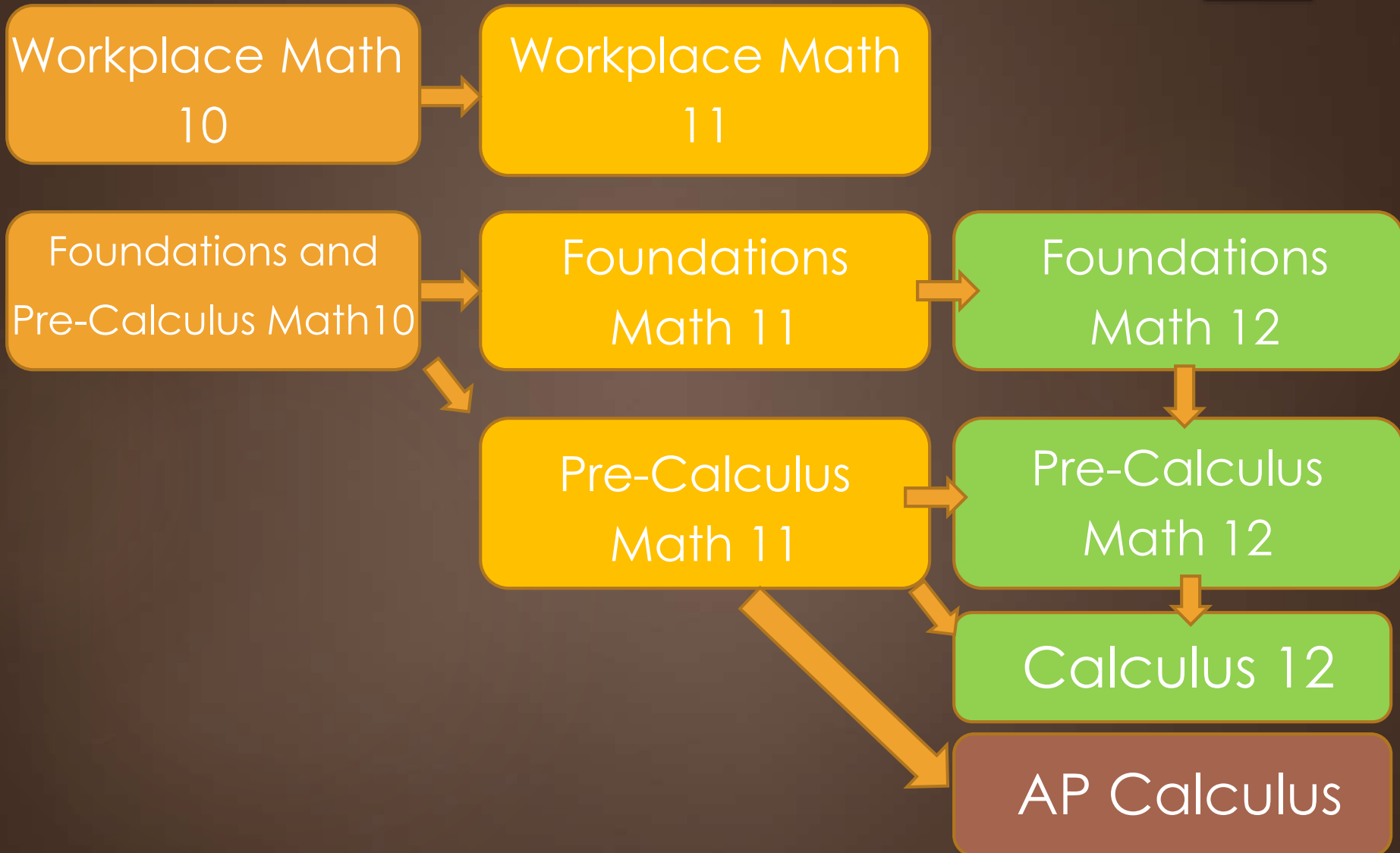
Law Studies  
12

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Philosophy  
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Political  
Studies 12

# Math



# Sciences

Science 10

Biology 11

Anatomy &  
Physiology 12

Chemistry 11

Chemistry 12

Physics 11

Physics 12

Earth Sciences  
11

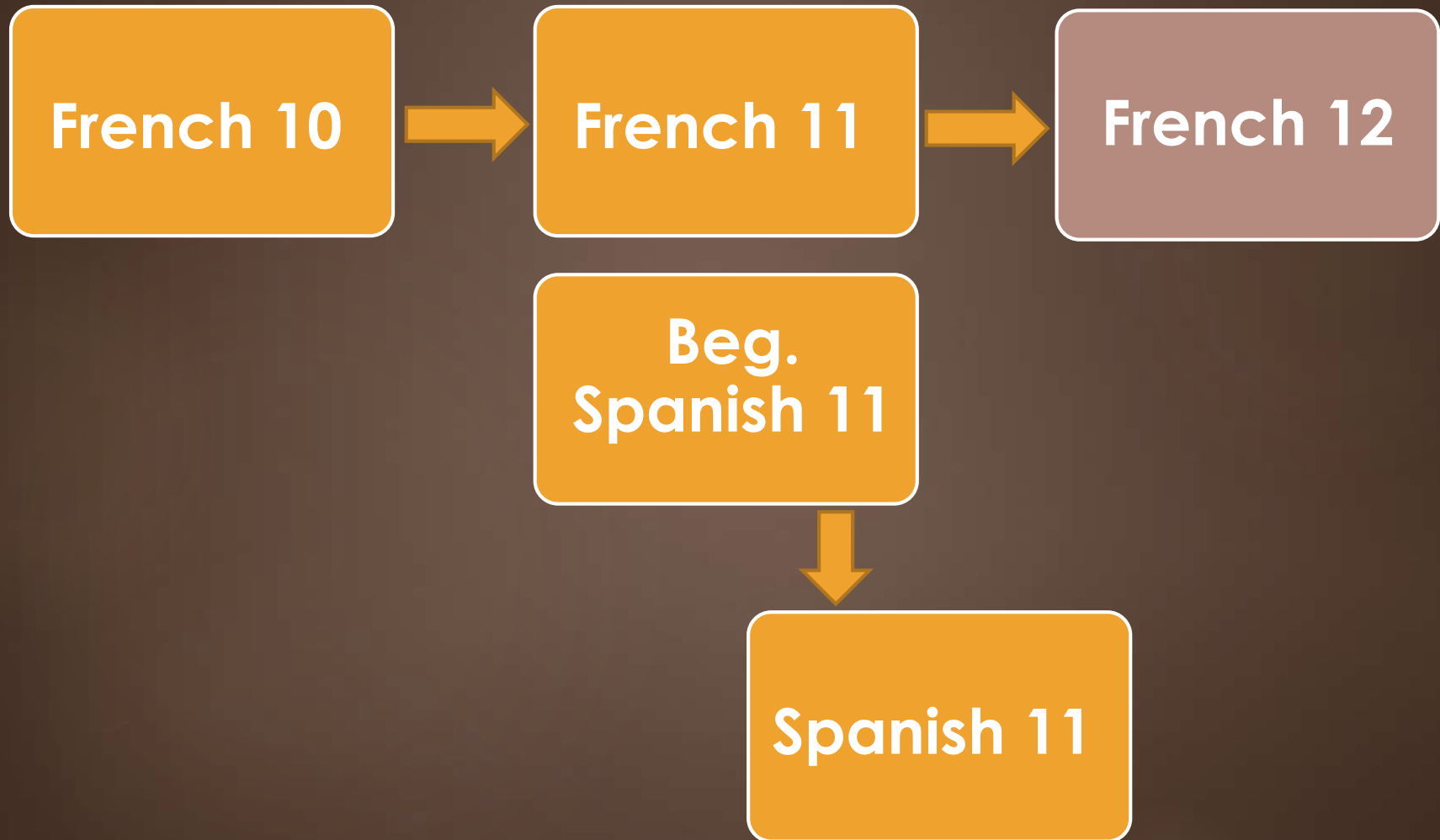
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# Modern Languages



# Electives



- ▶ Business Education (Accounting, Marketing ,Economics, Entrepreneurship)
- ▶ Physical & Health Education (Active Living, Boys Basketball & Girls Sports Academies)
- ▶ Applied Design, Skills & Technologies (Graphic Production, Robotics and Computer Programming )
- ▶ Fine & Performing Arts (Acting, Art, Band, Choir)



UNIVERSITY OF  
WATERLOO



UNIVERSITY OF  
TORONTO

McMaster  
University



ALGOMA  
university

CAPE BRETON  
UNIVERSITY



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Laurentian University  
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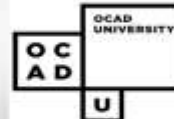
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of Windsor



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UNIVERSITY OF  
NEW BRUNSWICK

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of GUELPH



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CALGARY

MEMORIAL  
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WILFRID LAURIER UNIVERSITY  
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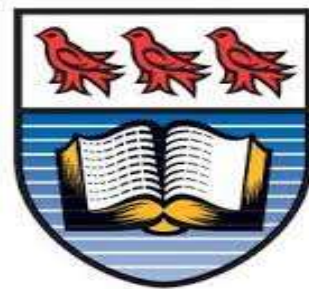


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IMPROVING LIFE

Langara.



University  
of Victoria



KWANTLEN  
POLYTECHNIC  
UNIVERSITY



SFU



BRITISH COLUMBIA  
INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

# Applying to University

Search Universities of interest **NOW**

- ▶ Research Admission Requirements by program. Check out SFU Admission Compass  
[www.sfu.ca/students/admission/admission-requirements/fall-2020/compass.html](http://www.sfu.ca/students/admission/admission-requirements/fall-2020/compass.html)
- ▶ Attend Info Sessions at STA in the Fall at the Post-Secondary Institutions Evening.
- ▶ Go to PSI Open Houses/Tours.

## The Right Way to Choose a College

What students do at college matters much more than where they go. The key is engagement, inside the classroom and out.



## CREATE A LIST OF IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

- **Unique programs or opportunities** – Cooperative education, undergraduate research, combined studies, cohort programs, etc.
- **Class size** – Contact with instructor and classmates.
- **Culture** of university, college or institute, city, and **distance** from supports.
- **Religious, athletic, and extracurricular activities.**



Benefit from much **smaller classes, focus on teaching** (not research), similar environment, **lower admission requirements**, university transfer or full degree options, unique and highly specialized and diversity of programs.

UBC reserves a full one third of their upper level new student seats for Transfer students

## Starting at college a smart move for B.C. students

BY TRACY SHERLOCK

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**Daniel Dubois made a successful transition from college to university. Now he's founded two companies.**

*Gerry Kahrmann / PNG*

# Changes to Undergraduate Admissions at UBC and SFU

- ▶ There are changes to the admission requirements for all BC high school applicants entering UBC and SFU in 2020. **This will impact course selection for current high school students.**
- ▶ <http://you.ubc.ca/applying-ubc/Canadian-highschools/#british-columbia>
- ▶ <http://www.sfu.ca/students/admission/admission-requirements/fall-2020.html>

# KEY MESSAGES TO STUDENTS



- ▶ You should take courses in secondary school that are related to what you want to study at the post-secondary level. Doing so will increase your chances of admission.
- ▶ Universities will look at your grades in nearly ALL your academic Gr.11 and Gr.12 courses.
- ▶ Particular attention to courses related to what you want to study at university. If you have the course at both the Gr.11 and Gr.12 level, more emphasis will be placed on the Gr.12 grade.
- ▶ Be aware that having the highest grades is not the only way to get in – challenging yourself by taking more courses or more rigorous courses can also be beneficial.



Create a **broad plan with back up**  
– never assume anything – you, your grades, your finances, your interests – lots and lots of things will change by the time you are finishing grade 12.



**KEEP  
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AND  
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# Scholarships & Bursaries

- ▶ Begin looking at criteria
  - ▶ Corporate and Association
  - ▶ Community and Sports
  - ▶ Post Secondary Institutions
  - ▶ STA (internal competition)
- ▶ Community service and leadership is a major part of scholarship selection criteria.
- ▶ Check STA website for links to scholarships, morning announcements, monthly newsletter and follow our social media postings:  
Instagram: @staacademics  
Facebook: facebook.com/staacadmics

# GET MATCHED



[www.scholarartree.ca](http://www.scholarartree.ca)

[www.scholarshipscanada.com](http://www.scholarshipscanada.com)

[www.grantme.ca](http://www.grantme.ca)

[www.academicinvest.com](http://www.academicinvest.com)



# QUESTIONS ?

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