

Gr. 11 Course Selection Parent / Student 2024-25 Info Session

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Course Selection Information Night

- Graduation Requirements
- Course Offerings at STA
- Post Secondary Admission Requirements
- Questions and Answers

BC Graduation Program

BC's Graduation Program will continue to require all students to successfully complete 80 credits in grades 10, 11, and 12, and write three provincial assessments: Grade 10 Literacy, Grade 10 Numeracy and Grade 12 Literacy assessments.

There will be an opportunity for students to re-write the Provincial Graduation Assessments to improve their achievement level. Until graduation, students may write a Provincial Graduation Assessment up to three times: the original attempt and two re-writes.

Summary of Graduation Requirements

Required courses for Dogwood Diploma	Credits
English 10 or First Peoples 10	4
English 11 or First Peoples 11	4
English 12 or First Peoples 12	4
A Social Studies 10 course	4
A Social Studies 11 or 12 course	4
A Math 10 course (Workplace, or Foundations & PreCalculus)	4
A Math 11 or 12 course	4
Science 10	4
A Science 11 or 12 course	4
Physical and Health Education 10	4
Arts OR Applied Design, Skills & Tech course grade 10, 11 or 12	4
Career Life Education	4
Career Life Connections	4
Total required course credits	52
Electives: 28 credits minimum	28
*Note: locally developed courses do not count towards elective credits	
Total credits to graduate (minimum)	80

Grade 10 Graduation Requirements

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| • Christian Education 10 | 4 Credits |
| • Math 10 | 4 Credits |
| • Science 10 | 4 Credits |
| • Social Studies 10 | 4 Credits |
| • Physical & Health Education 10 | 4 Credits |
| • Career Life Education 10 | 4 Credits |
| • Composition 10 | 2 Credits |
| • Creative Writing 10 | 2 Credits |

Grade 11 Graduation Requirements

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| • Christian Education 11 | 4 credits |
| • English First Peoples 11 | 4 credits |
| • a Math 11 | 4 credits |
| • a Science 11 | 4 credits |
| • a Social Studies 12 | 4 credits |
| • Elective | 4 credits |
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Grade 12 Graduation Requirements

- Christian Education 12 4 credits
 - English Studies 12 4 credits
 - Career Life Connections 12 4 credits
 - At least 4 other Grade 12 Level Courses 16 credits
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- Post-Secondary schools require the completion of at least six grade 12 courses of which five should be approved academic courses.

COURSE OFFERINGS BY DEPARTMENT

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COURSE OFFERINGS

- **Academic Courses**

- Courses from approved lists (differs by university) used to calculate post-secondary admission averages
- i.e. Composition 11, Chemistry 11, Pre Calculus 11

- **Advanced Placement Courses**

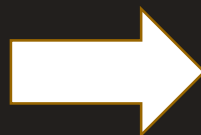
- Offered at the grade 12 level in English, Calculus, and Computer Science
- Can earn first year university credits in high school
- May be used for admissions averages

- **Electives**

- Fulfill the Fine Arts Education / Applied Design Skills and Technology Requirement
- Second Language Courses / Business Courses / PHE Courses

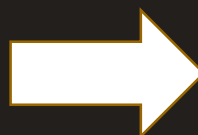
ENGLISH

ENGLISH
FIRST PEOPLES 11



ENGLISH
STUDIES 12

HONOURS
ENGLISH 11



HONOURS
ENGLISH STUDIES
12



CREATIVE
WRITING 12

LITERARY
STUDIES 12

CCC ENGLISH 150
and/or
AP ENGLISH EXAM

SOCIAL STUDIES

SOCIAL
STUDIES 10

20TH CENTURY
HISTORY 12

LAW
STUDIES 12

COMPARATIVE
CULTURES 12

HUMAN
GEOGRAPHY 12

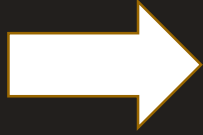
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POLITICAL
STUDIES 12

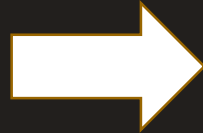
MATH

WORKPLACE
MATH 10



WORKPLACE
MATH 11

FOUNDATIONS &
PRECALC MATH
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FOUNDATIONS
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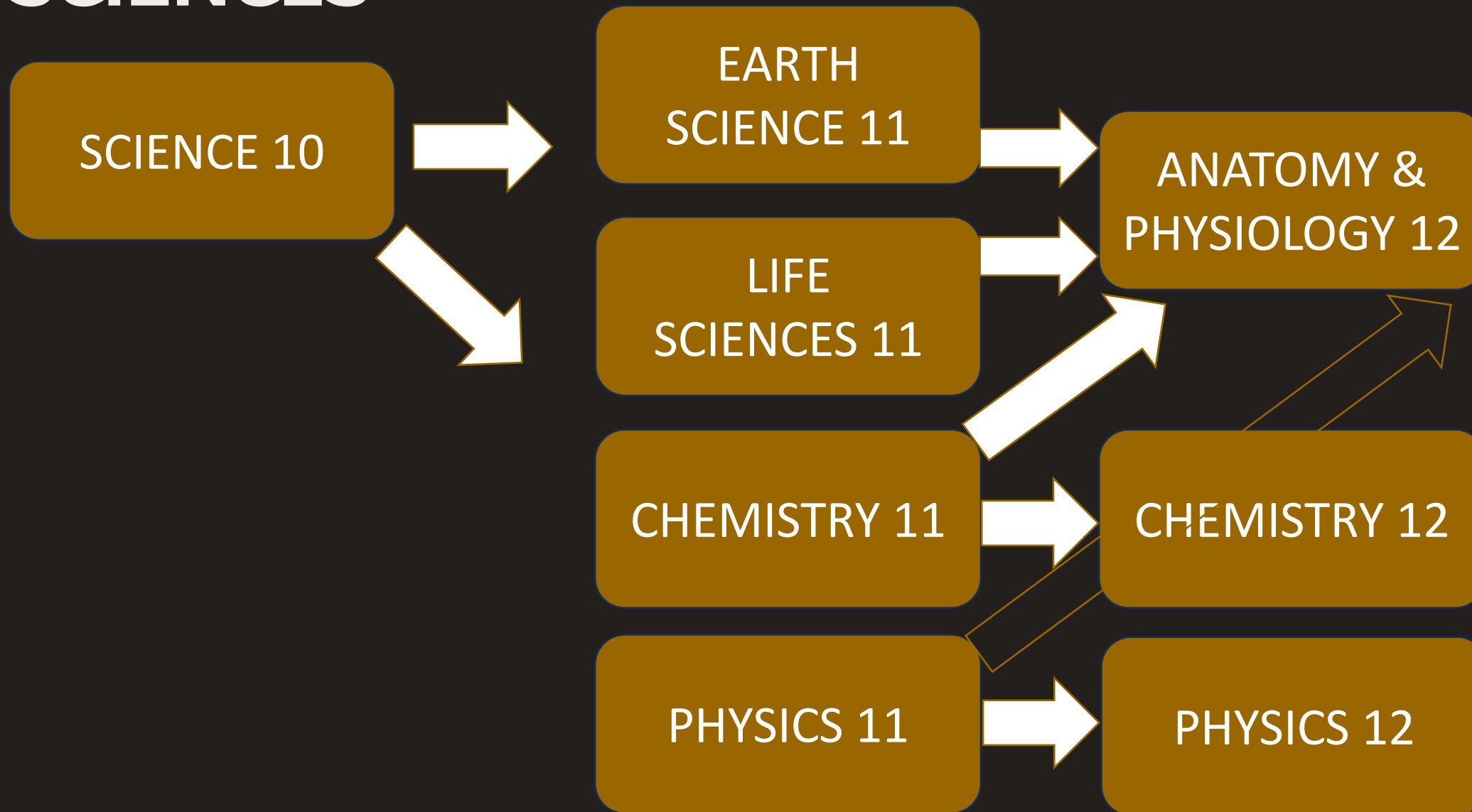


PRECALCULUS
MATH 12



CALCULUS /
AP CALCULUS
12

SCIENCES



MODERN LANGUAGES



ELECTIVES

- Business Education (Accounting, Marketing ,Economics, Entrepreneurship)
- Physical & Health Education (Active Living, Boys Basketball & Girls Sports Academies)
- Applied Design, Skills & Technologies (Media Arts, Robotics and AP Computer Science)
- Fine & Performing Arts (Studio Art, Drama, Band, Choir)



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COURSE DESCRIPTION CATALOGUE Grades 10, 11 and 12

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Terminology for Course Requirements

- **“Recommended standard”** means any students below this standard will likely experience difficulty in the course if they choose to take it. Students require parental consent to enrol and must be committed to completion of the course.
- **“Pre-requisite”** means a specific course must be successfully completed before another course at the next grade level.
- **“Co-requisite”** means another course that is taken simultaneously with this course.

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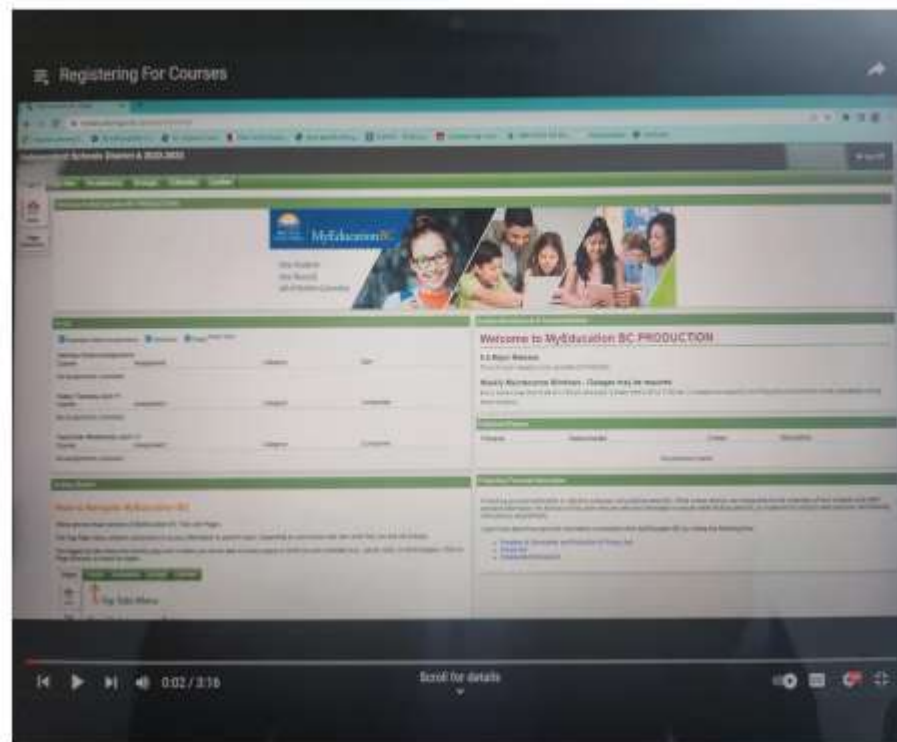
2023-24 STA COURSE SELECTION LIST

<p>Grade 10 <i>Required Courses</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Education 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Composition 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Creative Writing 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Science 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Social Studies 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Core French 10 <p>Mathematics 10: <i>(choose one)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Foundations of Math/Pre-Calculus 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Workplace Math 10 <p>Physical & Health Education <i>(choose one)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Physical & Health Education 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Physical & Health Education Sports Academy 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Physical & Health Education Athlete Development 10 <p><input type="checkbox"/> Career & Life Education 10 <i>(semester course)</i></p> <p>Grade 10 Course Elective <i>For Grade 10 choose one (1) course from...</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Drama 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Technology Explorations 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Music 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Art Studio 10 <p><input type="checkbox"/> LRC BLOCK 10/11/12 <i>(Must be approved by LRC Coordinator)</i></p>	<p>Grade 11 <i>Required Courses</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Education 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Career Life Connections 11 <p>Language Arts 11: <i>(choose one)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> English First Peoples 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Enriched English First Peoples 11 <i>(based on English 10 mark)</i> <p>Mathematics 11: <i>(choose one)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Workplace Math 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Foundations of Math 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Calculus Math 11 <p>Science 11: <i>(choose at least one)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Earth Sciences 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Life Sciences 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Physics 11 <p>Social Studies 11-12 <i>(choose at least one)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century World History 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Comparative Cultures 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Human Geography 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Law Studies 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Philosophy 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Geography 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Political Studies 12 <p>Grade 11 Course Electives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing & Promotion 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Introductory Spanish 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Core French 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Media Arts 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Robotics 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Art Studio 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Drama 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Instrumental Music 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Physical & Health Education Active Living 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Physical & Health Education Sports Academy 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Physical & Health Education Athlete Development 11 	<p>Grade 12 <i>Required Courses</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Education 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Career Life Connections 12 <p>Language Arts 12: <i>(choose one)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> English Studies 12 <input type="checkbox"/> AP English Language & Composition 12 <i>(pre-requisite Enriched English First Peoples 11)</i> <p>Grade 12 Course Electives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Anatomy & Physiology 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Physics 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Foundations of Math 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Calculus Math 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Calculus 12 <input type="checkbox"/> AP Calculus 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Core French 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Creative Writing 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Literary Studies 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Psychology 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Economics 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Entrepreneurship 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Media Arts 12 <input type="checkbox"/> AP Computer Science 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Art Studio 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Drama 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Instrumental Music 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Physical & Health Education Active Living 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Physical & Health Education Sports Academy 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Physical & Health Education Athlete Development 12
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video on how to select your courses using MyED

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d-XPRwcfXa4&list=P1CgAizhK_AkIrOefMwdUsqqDy29I2rSeI&index=3



APPLYING TO POST-SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Search Universities of interest NOW

- Research Admission Requirements by program. Check out SFU Admission Compass
<https://www.sfu.ca/students/admission/admission-requirements/compass.html>
- Attend Info Sessions at STA in the Fall at the Post-Secondary Institutions Evening.
- Go to Post Secondary Open Houses/Tours.



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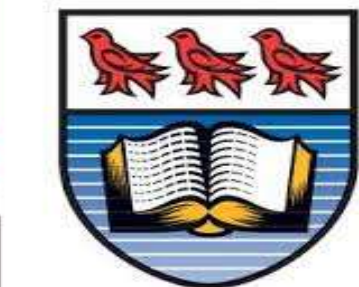
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The Right Way to Choose a College

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.**

Consider starting at a smaller post-secondary school and benefit from much smaller classes, focus on teaching (not research), similar environment, lower admission requirements, university transfer or full degree options, with a 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.

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KEY MESSAGES TO STUDENTS

- 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.



Grade 11, including the summer afterwards, is a very important year to achieve academically, be involved in extra-curricular, community service and the school in general, and to establish yourself as an individual with solid character, a strong work ethic, maturity, self-discipline, and responsibility. This is the last full year before you begin your applications.

Grade 11 is also a very important year to complete **most** of your post secondary research and planning in order to take the pressure off of your grade 12 year. Grade 12 should be about finalizing choices and applying, not beginning from scratch.



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.

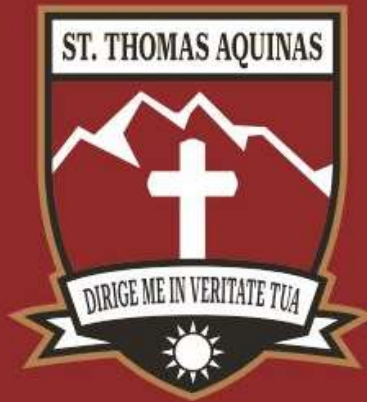


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