Partnering across the desk: Increasing equity and access with UC Scout

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What is UC Scout?

University of California SAPEP program

- Online A-G approved courses and curricula
- Fully virtual program housed within UCSC Extension
- Accredited by WASC
- Eligible courses approved by NCAA and the College Board®
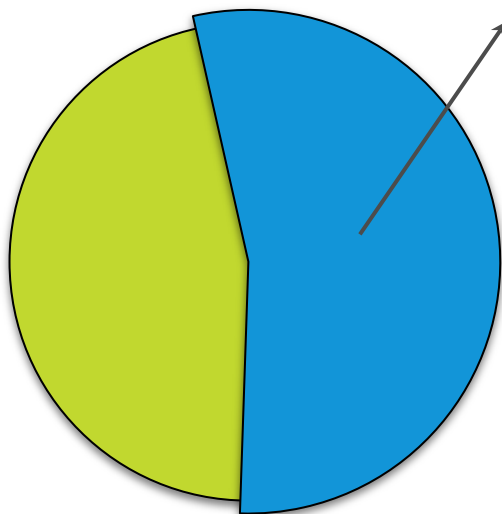
UC Scout's Mission

To provide high-quality A-G and AP® curricula and courses for students in need, with emphasis on advancing the academic success of California's educationally underserved students

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THE CHALLENGE

56% of graduating seniors **did not** complete their A-G requirements in 2023

In 2018-19…

2.5% of CA schools offered no A-G courses

and another **6%** only offered some A-G courses.

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UC Scout seeks to bridge this educational gap

Students at **over 1,000** schools utilized UC Scout (AY 2023-24)

Supported over **35K student enrollments** (AY 2023-24)

Over 1,500 UC Scout courses adopted by teachers (AY 2023-24)

UC Scout course catalog

A - History/Social Science

World History
AP® World History: Modern
AP® Human Geography
AP® European History
U.S. History
AP® U.S. History
AP® African American Studies
U.S. Government and Politics**
AP® U.S. Government and Politics**
AP® Comparative Government and Politics**

B - English

English 9
English 10
English 11
English 12
AP® English Language and Composition
AP® English Literature and Composition

C - Mathematics

Pre-Algebra *(not eligible for a-g approval)*
Algebra 1
Geometry
Algebra 2
Integrated Math 1
Integrated Math 2
Integrated Math 3
Pre-Calculus
AP® Calculus AB
AP® Calculus BC
Statistics
AP® Statistics
AP® Computer Science A

D - Science

Biology
AP® Biology
AP® Chemistry
AP® Physics 1
AP® Physics 2
AP® Physics C: Mechanics**
AP® Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism**
AP® Computer Science Principles
Intro to Java**
Intro to Robotic Engineering**
Oceanography
AP® Environmental Science

E - Languages other than English

French 1
French 2
French 3
French 4
AP® French Language & Culture
German 1
German 2
German 3
German 4
AP® German Language & Culture
Spanish 1
Spanish 2
Spanish 3
Spanish 4
AP® Spanish Language & Culture

F - Visual and Performing Arts

Studio Art: 3-D Design
Art History and Appreciation**
AP® Art History
AP® Music Theory
Visual Communication

G - College Preparatory Electives

Introduction to Ethnic Studies**
Health and Medicine: EMT**
Law and Society**
Economics**
AP® Macro-economics**
Psychology**
AP® Psychology

**single semester course

Plan types and pricing structure

Basic
Students & teachers

- ✓ Supplemental resources for learning and instruction
- $ $29 per student/course/semester
  **FREE for California public school students and teachers
- ✗ *Not offered for credit*

Plus
Teachers

- ✓ Video lessons and curriculum to run an in-person, hybrid, or 100% online course
- $ $49 per student/course/semester
  **FREE for California public school teachers
- ⚲ **School can issue credit**

On Demand
Students

- ✓ Accredited, self-paced, independent study online courses
- $ $399 per student/course/semester
  Scholarship program available for eligible California students
- ⚲ **UC Scout issues credit and transcript**

A-G approved curriculum developed by UC Scout

- Based on California state standards
- Provided online (via Canvas) and can be adapted for in-person or hybrid instruction
- Flexible curriculum that can be adapted to local context
- Can supplement existing curriculum as a resource for teachers
- Partnership with a school/district to provide credit to students
- Free teacher training and ongoing support provided

Plus

Teachers

Video lessons and curriculum to run an in-person, hybrid, or 100% online course

$49 per student/course/semester
FREE for California public school teachers

School can issue credit

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Public-facing application

- $349 discount for a single On Demand course
- Students responsible for $50 technology fee
- Must meet eligibility criteria and apply online during the filing period

Partnerships

- UC Scout offers scholarships in partnership with other UC SAPEP programs

On Demand

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Course credit and transcripts

Basic

- ❌ No credit granted
- ❌ Courses **not** reported as A-G coursework on UC application
- ✅ Student can explain in personal insight question responses

Plus

- ✅ Credit can be issued by school (check with school in advance)
- ✅ Courses can be reported on UC application as A-G coursework **from the high school**
- ✅ Transcript provided by the high school

On Demand

- ✅ Credit issued by UC Scout
- ✅ Courses reported as A-G coursework **from UC Scout** on UC application
- ✅ Transcript provided by UC Scout through Parchment
- 💡 To use for high school graduation requirement, student must send transcript to their high school directly

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Can a student complete a yearlong course over the summer?

- Depending on their schedule, yes. Most courses take about 70-80 hours to complete each semester (90-100 hours for AP® courses)

How are UC Scout courses graded?

- **Basic** courses: not graded and do not earn credit
- **Plus** courses: graded by the student's teacher at the school
- **On Demand** courses: graded by the UC Scout teacher on a 0-100% scale

How can students take the AP® exam?

- **Plus** courses: at the student's school
- **On Demand** courses: at UC Scout headquarters in Santa Clara, or a local site

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Partnering with UCSC

Joint presentations

- Virtual
- In-person

Publications

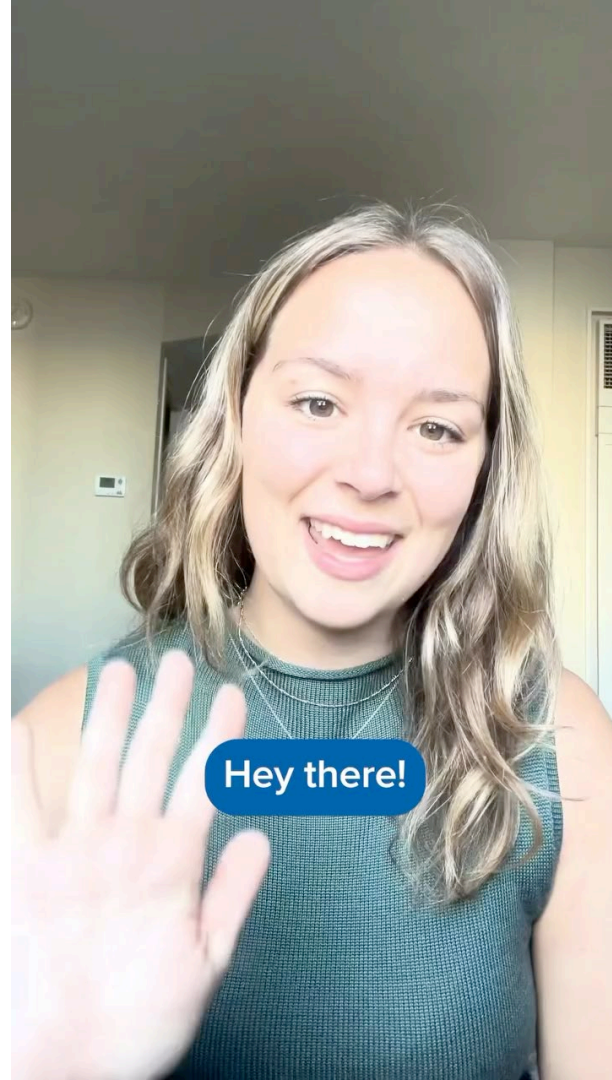**Social media**

- @ucscout
- @ucscadmissions

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Strategic collaboration

- Data and information sharing
- Joint presentations
- Reciprocal partnership

Reaching our goals

- Develop partnerships with other organizations and departments
- Documentation and communication

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What's next?

Partner with UC Scout

- Increase A-G completion rates
- Support students and teachers with high-quality curricula

Learn more and spread the word

- With your school
- With your district
- With your networks

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Thank you