



**UNIVERSITY  
HIGH  
AT  
SUNRISE  
MOUNTAIN**

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# WHAT IS UNIVERSITY HIGH?

- ◉ Accelerated program –9<sup>th</sup> grade students take the most rigorous courses we offer, choosing an endorsement area in Languages/History or Math/Science.
- ◉ Earn both high school and college/university credit.
- ◉ AIM/Honors/AP classes
- ◉ Community service

# GRAND CANYON UNIVERSITY STEM SCHOLARS PROGRAM

- ◉ Designed to expose students to STEM careers and prepare them to enter STEM degree programs
- ◉ Qualified students earn up to 32 college credits tuition free
- ◉ Courses offered at the high school and on GCU's campus in the summer.
- ◉ Available to students who complete their sophomore year with a 3.25 GPA and who demonstrate excellence in math and science
- ◉ GCU will accept all credits earned with a passing grade

# STEM SCHOLARS PROGRAM

## ADDITIONAL BENEFITS

- ◉ Ongoing information about STEM degrees and career pathways
- ◉ Career planning services to assist students in identifying careers that suit their interests and skills, resume building tools and exposure to internships
- ◉ Attend STEM events on campus
- ◉ Opportunity to hear from guest speakers and interact with faculty and students

# UNIVERSITY HIGH ENDORSEMENT REQUIREMENTS

- 28 credits
- 3.25 cumulative GPA (as of December of the graduation year)
- 1 credit (120 hours) of community service
- Complete a minimum of 6 AP exams
- Earn a minimum of 30 college credits (32 credits through GCU STEM Scholars Program)
- Meet all PUSD graduation requirements in addition to completing the following courses:

# LANGUAGES/HISTORY ENDORSEMENT

## English

- ◉ 9th - AIM English I H
- ◉ 10th - AIM English II H
- ◉ 11th - English III H
- ◉ 12th - College Prep H & AP Comp & Lit

## Social Studies

- ◉ Global Humanities
- ◉ AP World History
- ◉ AP US History
- ◉ AP Gov, AP Micro Econ, AP Macro Econ
- ◉ AP European History (11th or 12th grade)

## Math

- ◉ Algebra I
- ◉ Geometry or Geometry H\*
- ◉ Alg II or Alg II H\*
- ◉ College Alg H
- ◉ Pre- Calc H

\*-dependent on Alg I grade/scores

## Science

- ◉ AIM Science I
- ◉ AIM Science II
- ◉ 3<sup>rd</sup> science - choice

## Languages (start by 10<sup>th</sup> grade)

- ◉ Spanish I – V (AP)\*
- OR
- ◉ German I – IV (H)\*\*

*All World Language courses are taken in consecutive semesters*

\*Spanish III, IV & V are dual enrollment courses

\*\*German III & IV are not offered as dual enrollment courses.

## Arts

- ◉ Any visual or performing arts class

# MATH/SCIENCE ENDORSEMENT

## Math

- ◉ Algebra I
- ◉ Algebra II or II H
- ◉ Geometry H
- ◉ College Algebra H
- ◉ Pre- Calc H
- ◉ Brief Calc (if offered)
- ◉ AP Calc I
- ◉ AP Calc II(optional)

## Science

- ◉ AIM Science I
- ◉ AIM Science II
- ◉ 2 AP Sciences – AP Biology or AP Chemistry or AP Physics
- ◉ 5<sup>th</sup> science - choice

## Arts

- ◉ Any visual or performing arts class

## English

- ◉ 9th - AIM English I H or English I H
- ◉ 10th - AIM English II H or English II H
- ◉ 11th - English III H
- ◉ 12th - College Prep H OR AP Comp & Lit

## Social Studies

- ◉ Global Humanities or no social studies
- ◉ World History or AP World History
- ◉ US History or AP US History
- ◉ AP Gov, AP Micro Econ, AP Macro Econ

## Languages

- ◉ Spanish I – III (H)\* OR
- ◉ German I – III (H)\*\*

\*Spanish III, IV & V are dual enrollment courses

\*\*German III & IV are not offered as dual enrollment courses.

- **How will students earn college credits and where will college classes be located?**
  - dual enrollment,
  - AP testing
  - Classes taken on a college campus
  - Partnership with GCU for STEM courses
  
- **Who pays for college credits?** At this point, the student's family will be responsible for all costs associated with college tuition and fees. Tuition scholarships may be available for qualified GCU stem scholars.



# ACADEMIC PROBATION

- UH Students are required to maintain a 3.25 GPA.
- Any student who falls below a 3.25 at the end of the semester will be placed on probation.
- Probation requirements:
  - Meet with counselor to create a plan for success
  - Discuss the reasons for academic difficulties with counselor
  - Establish realistic academic goals
  - Attend tutoring if needed
  - Follow up with agreed-upon interventions.
- Students who do not have a 3.25 at semester may be required to leave the program.

# UH FRESHMEN CLASSES

- ◉ AIM English I OR English I H
- ◉ AIM Chemistry
- ◉ Spanish I & II OR German I & II (may be taken sophomore year)

# ADMISSION

Evaluation to be completed at the end of the 9<sup>th</sup> grade year –

- ⦿ Successful completion of English I H or AIM English I
- ⦿ Successful completion of AIM Chemistry
- ⦿ Grades: 3.25 or better, C's or better
- ⦿ Complete Data Sheet - 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of 9<sup>th</sup> grade

# WHERE TO GET INFORMATION

- ◉ **SMHS Website**
  - Go to University High Forms
  
- ◉ **Classroom presentations**
  - My Life Day
  - In 9<sup>th</sup> grade English classes



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