

SELECTIVITY BREAKDOWN: MINIMUM RECOMMENDED H.S. PROGRAM OF STUDY
AND NATIONAL TEST SCORE GUIDELINES

Most Selective

(ACT 27-36, SAT 1230-1600)

Bates College (ME)
Brown University (RI)
Carnegie Mellon University (PA)
College of William and Mary (VA)
Colorado College (CO)
Cornell University (NY)
Dartmouth College (NH)
Duke University (NC)
Emory University (GA)
Georgetown University (DC)
Johns Hopkins University (MD)
Middlebury College (VT)
Northwestern University (IL)
Oberlin College (OH)
Pomona College (CA)
Reed College (OR)
Swarthmore College (PA)
UCLA, UC-Berkeley (CA)
University of Michigan
University of Notre Dame (IN)
University of Pennsylvania
University of Virginia
Vanderbilt University (TN)
Vassar College (NY)
Whitman College (WA)

**Recommended Minimum Program of Study for Most Selective Colleges
and Universities**

4 years English*
4 years Mathematics*
4 years Science*
3-4 years Social Studies*
3-4 years Foreign Language*
plus additional credits required for H.S. graduation, including appropriate elec-
tive choices

*=1-2 years of Advanced Placement in these core areas is strongly suggested

Average GPA = 3.7-4.0

Very Selective

(ACT 24-27, SAT 1050-1300)

Creighton University (NE)
DePaul University (IL)
Dickinson College (PA)
Drexel University (PA)
Eckerd College (FL)
Elon University (NC)
Emerson College (MA)
George Washington U (DC)
Gonzaga University (WA)
Goucher College (MD)
Ithaca College (NY)
Knox College (IL)
Lewis and Clark College (OR)
Northeastern University (MA)
Santa Clara University (CA)
Sarah Lawrence College (NY)
SUNY Binghamton (NY)
University of Colorado-Boulder
University of Portland (OR)
University of Puget Sound (WA)
University of San Diego (CA)
University of San Francisco (CA)
University of Vermont
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin-Madison
Xavier University (OH)

**Recommended Minimum Program of Study for Highly Selective Colleges
and Universities**

4 years English*
3-4 years Mathematics*
3-4 years Science*
3-4 years Social Studies*
3-4 years Foreign Language*
plus additional credits required for H.S. graduation, including appropriate elec-
tive choices

*=Advanced Placement in at least one of these areas is strongly encouraged

Average GPA = 3.5+

Selective**(ACT 20-25, SAT 930-1100)**

Arizona State University
 Bryant College (RI)
 Carroll College (MT)
 College of Idaho
 College of St. Ben's/St. John's (MN)
 Colorado State University
 Emmanuel College (MA)
 Guilford College (NC)
 John Carroll University (OH)
 Linfield College (OR)
 Long Island U—CW Post (NY)
 Lynchburg University (VA)
 Manhattan College (NY)
 Mount Saint Mary's College (MD)
 Notre Dame de Namur Univ (CA)
 Oregon State University
 Pacific University (OR)
 Regis University (CO)
 St. Mary's College (CA)
 Salve Regina University (RI)
 Seton Hall University (NJ)
 Texas Christian University (TX)
 University of Arizona
 University of Montana
 University of Oregon
 University of the Pacific (CA)
 University of Tampa (FL)
 University of Redlands (CA)
 University of Utah
 Utah State University
 Whittier College (CA)
 Whitworth College (WA)
 Winthrop University (SC)

Less Selective**(ACT 18-21, SAT 850-1000)**

California Lutheran University
 Boise State University (index)
 Eastern Oregon University
 Fort Lewis College (CO)
 Hawaii Pacific University (HI)
 Iona College (NY)
 Menlo College (CA)
 Montana State University
 Portland State University (index)
 Roger Williams University (RI)
 Southern Utah University
 Weber State University

Open Admission**(ACT below 18 or SAT below 850)**

Any 2-year college
 Idaho State University
 Southern Utah University
 Utah Valley State College
 Weber State University

Recommended Minimum Program of Study for Selective Colleges and Universities

4 years English
 3 years Mathematics
 2-3 years Science
 3 years Social Science
 2 years Foreign Language
 plus additional credits required for H.S. graduation, including appropriate elective choices
 Average GPA = ~3.0 – 3.4

Recommended for Less Selective Colleges and Universities

4 years English
 3 years Mathematics
 2 years Science
 2-3 years Social Studies
 plus additional credits required for H.S. graduation, including appropriate elective choices
 Average GPA = ~2.5 – 2.9

No minimum test scores or GPA required