FUTURES ACADEMY COURSE OFFERINGS

Futures Academy’s focus on academic excellence prepares students for success in college, career and life. Futures Academy (formerly Halstrom Academy) offers a wide variety of courses, including many that are approved for both the University of California (UC) a-g system and the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA). All courses are taught by highly qualified educators who are specialists in their fields. Futures is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and the National Independent Private School Association (NIPSA).

CORE CURRICULUM

**English**

- Academic Study Skills<sup>1</sup>
- English – 6, 7, 8
- English / Honors English – 9, 10, 11, 12
- iLit (Language Development, Literacy Growth, Reading Development, Writing Development)<sup>1</sup>
- AP English Language and Composition
- AP English Literature and Composition

**Foreign Language**

- American Sign Language – 1, 2, 3, 4
- Honors American Sign Language – 1, 2, 3
- French – 1, 2, 3, 4
- German – 1, 2, 3
- Latin – 1, 2, 3, 4
- Spanish / Honors Spanish – 1, 2, 3, 4
- Mandarin – 1, 2, 3
- AP Spanish Language and Culture
- AP Spanish Literature and Culture

**Math**

- Algebra or Honors Algebra – 1, 2
- Algebra – W, X, Y, Z
- Calculus / Honors Calculus
- Geometry / Honors Geometry
- Geometry – W, X, Y, Z
- Integrated Math / Honors Integrated Math – 1, 2, 3
- Math – 6, 7, 8
- Pre-Algebra
- Pre-Calculus / Honors Pre-Calculus
- Probability & Statistics
- Algebra 2 / Trigonometry
- Statistics (S)
- Trigonometry (S)
- Math Analysis
- Business Math
- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Statistics

**Science**

- Anatomy & Physiology
- Biology / Honors Biology (lab)
- Chemistry / Honors Chemistry (lab)
- Environmental Science
- Oceanography
- Physics / Honors Physics (lab)
- Science – 6, 7, 8
- Chemistry in the Community (lab)
- Earth and Space (Lab)
- AP Biology
- AP Chemistry
- AP Physics 1

**Social Science**

- American Government / Honors American Government (S)
- Cultural Geography / Honors Cultural Geography* (S)
- Economics / Honors Economics (S)
- Psychology
- Social Studies – 6, 7, 8
- U.S. History / Honors U.S. History
- World History / Honors World History
- AP U.S. Government & Politics (S)
- AP Microeconomics (S)
- AP Macroeconomics (S)
- AP U.S. History
- AP World History
- AP European History
- AP Psychology

**Personal Development**

- Mindshift: The Science of Learning (S)
- Health (S)
- Senior Seminar (S)<sup>2</sup>
- Junior Seminar (S)<sup>3</sup>
- Volunteer Service (S)<sup>3</sup>
- Sophomore Seminar (S)<sup>3</sup>
- Freshman Seminar (S)<sup>3</sup>
- College Compass<sup>2</sup>
- Physical Education (S)<sup>3</sup>
- Yoga (S)<sup>3</sup>
- Kickboxing (S)<sup>3</sup>

**High School Graduation Requirements**

- English: 40 credits
- Mathematics: 30 credits
- Science: 30 credits
- Social Science: 30 credits
- Foreign Language: 20 credits
- Physical Education/Electives: 25 credits
- Fine Arts: 10 credits
- Electives: 35 credits

**TOTAL: 220 credits**

**8th Grade Promotion Requirements**

- English Language Arts: 30 credits
- Mathematics: 30 credits
- Science: 30 credits
- Social Science: 30 credits
- Physical Education/Electives: 45 credits

**TOTAL: 165 credits**

**Note:**

Course descriptions are included in the Course Catalog.

<sup>1</sup>Indicates course NOT UC/CSU certified “a-g”

<sup>2</sup>(S) Indicates one-semester course.

<sup>3</sup>*Cultural Geography can be substituted for World History as a graduation requirement.

Not all AP or PE courses are available at all campuses.

Approved courses may vary by campus. The following websites will take you to specific course listings by campus:

**UC:** https://hs-articulation.ucop.edu/agcourselist/#/list/search/institution

**NCAA:** https://web3.ncaa.org/hsportal/exec/hsAction?hsActionSubmit=searchHighSchool

866-590-9510 www.FuturesDifference.com
ELECTIVES

Career Exploration Program

At Futures Academy, we guide our students to pursue their passions by leading them through a four-phase career exploration experience.

Explore
In the first phase, a student selects up to four one-semester courses from our list of innovative electives. Our electives are organized by career path and a student has the unique opportunity to explore a wide range of interests.

Engage
After exploring different interests, a student selects the career path he or she is most passionate about. In this phase, a student takes up to two additional courses aligned to his or her chosen career path.

Invest
In the third phase, a student steps outside of the classroom and participates in a meaningful internship aligned to his or her passion.

Enrich
Futures’ connected community is enriched as students take on a campus leadership role and act as a student CEO with the capacity to mentor other students moving through their career exploration process.

Equipped with knowledge, experience, and confidence, Futures students enter the next stage of life with a significant advantage to seek out college courses and career opportunities aligned to their personal passions.

Note:
All electives are one-semester courses unless indicated with an asterisk.
* Indicates a two semester course.

Career Path: Arts & Entertainment

Advertising & Sales Promotion
Sports & Entertainment Marketing
3D Modeling
Animation
Coding
Digital Photography I: Creating Images with Impact!
Digital Photography II: Discovering Your Creative Potential
Fashion & Interior Design
Public Speaking
Theatre, Cinema & Film Production
Drawing *
Painting *
Traditional 3D Arts *
AP Studio Art: Drawing *
Art Appreciation *
Music Appreciation *
MS Photography
MS Exploring Music
MS 2D Studio Art
MS Digital Art and Design

Career Path: Engineering & Computer Science

Anthropology I: Uncovering Human Mysteries
Anthropology II: More Human Mysteries Uncovered
Archaeology: Detectives of the Past
Astronomy: Exploring the Universe
Biotechnology: Unlocking Nature’s Secrets
Concepts of Engineering & Technology
Great Minds in Science: Ideas for a New Generation
Introduction to Renewable Technologies
Introduction to Manufacturing: Product Design & Innovation
Cybersecurity
Game Design 1
Game Design 2
Introduction to Social Media
MS Game Design

Career Path: Communications

Hospitality & Tourism: Traveling the Globe
Introduction to Culinary Arts
Restaurant Management
Peer Counseling
Personal Psychology I: The Road to Self-Discovery
Personal Psychology II: Living in a Complex World
Early Childhood Education
MS Journalism: Tell Your Story

Career Path: Sciences - Biological & Physical

Health Science I: The Whole Individual
Health Science II: Patient Care & Medical Services
Nutrition & Wellness
Veterinary Science: The Care of Animals

Career Path: Business

Personal and Family Finance
Entrepreneurship: Starting Your Business
International Business: Global Commerce in the 21st Century

Career Path: Law & Public Policy

Careers in Criminal Justice
Criminology: Inside the Criminal World
Cybersecurity
Forensic Science I: Secrets of the Dead
Forensic Science II: More Secrets of the Dead
Law and Order: Introduction to Legal Studies
Principles of Public Service: To Serve & Protect
Social Problems 1: A World in Crisis
Social Problems 2: Crisis, Conflicts, and Challenges
National Security