Office of Counseling
2021-22 SCHOOL PROFILE

The School
University High School is a charter high school designed to provide a classical education in a small school environment (479 students), and because we are located on the campus of California State University, Fresno, our students also have access to the resources of a major university. Music is a required cornerstone of our program and the student’s core requirements include a number of courses taught by the university. We are a high school of choice; students must apply and be able to provide evidence of two years of musical experience. Due to the size of our application pool, student admittance is determined by lottery. In recent years, approximately 55% of students who applied were admitted. These students come to UHS from over 30 different zip codes and represent three different counties; many of our students commute 45 minutes to an hour each way and there is no school-supported transportation system.

Student Commitment
University High School students significantly out-perform all other area high schools on state-mandated, standardized tests, university going rates and university graduation rates (NCAA data) and the curricular program we require of all students has no comparison for its rigor. In 2021 we were named a California Gold Medal school, the 9th best California high school, the 20th best charter high school in the Nation and the 86th best public high school in the Nation (US News). Niche.com also gave our school an A+ grade and 3rd Best Teaching Staff of 1,761 California schools. Our expectations for student performance are high at UHS, and while our students perform well, grade inflation is not part of our culture. We draw students who are ambitious and seeking to challenge themselves, and who hope to receive the most rigorous preparation for the college environment.

COVID-19
From March 2020 to April 2021 our school was closed to in-person teaching. Amid school shutdown our teachers quickly continued teaching their curriculum remotely through Zoom, Google Classroom and other web-based programs. The curriculum and grade expectations were not lowered or changed. Students also continued with their dual enrollment college courses online. April 2021 we started hybrid learning and returned 1/3 of our student population to campus. Fall 2021 all students have returned to campus. College courses continue to be taught synchronously Monday through Friday.

Advanced Placement & College Courses
Advanced Placement courses are ONLY offered in 11th and 12th grade, unless students arrive at our school having completed advanced math in middle school. Students are required to take 3 AP Courses (AP Language, AP Literature and AP Gov or AP Econ) and 7 Fresno State courses. Students will earn a minimum of 22 college units through Fresno State and have the option to take up to three additional Fresno State courses during their senior year. These additional courses are not mandatory.

Honors Courses
| Honors English 9 | Honors English 10 | Honors Latin II |
| Honors Physics | Honors Chemistry | Honors U.S. History |

Advanced Placement
| Calculus AB | Macroeconomics | U.S. Government & Politics |
| Calculus BC | Microeconomics | U.S. History |
| English Language & Composition | Music Theory | |
| English Literature & Composition | Statistics | |

College Courses
| Biology 10 Life Science | Computer Science 39** | History 21 World History II |
| Biology 12 Animal Science | History 20 World History I | Modern Language* |

* Modern Language: two consecutive semesters of the same language.
** Or counselor approved College Ethnic Studies course (pilot year).

2021 - 2022 Graduation Requirements
The following is a summary of the required curriculum for all our students, which exceeds most university entrance requirements.

| English | 4 years | Foreign Language | 3 years | Performing Groups 4 years |
| Mathematics | 4 years | Social Studies | 3 years | Physical Education 4 years |
| Science | 3.5 years | Musicianship | 4 years | |

Mission Statement UHS’s culture will be caring, supportive of learning, promote understanding and encourage students to foster personal development. Students will feel confident to express themselves as they mature into young adults. UHS will address the academic, personal, and social development of the students while providing a solid academic foundation for a college career, with the goal that all graduates are prepared to enter the adult world where they will be ready to pursue any goal to which they aspire. In short, UHS will continually work to create for its student’s nothing less than the best high school experience possible.
Class Rank & Grading
UHS does not use class rank to distinguish students. The highest GPA for this graduating class of 113 students is 4.3066. We use a 4-point, weighted, GPA scale. Only AP courses and Fresno State college courses listed on our transcript receive grade augmentation. Over half of the graduating class has a cumulative GPA of 4.00 and above. We do not allow students to add other college courses they may take outside of our program to their transcripts.

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College Matriculation
Class of 2021: 107
98% attending college
84% four-year college / 14% two-year
1% attending college out-of-state

2020-2021 Test Results*

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Advanced Placement (AP)*

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<td>Exams with score of “3” or higher</td>
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* Sources: SAT Class of 2021 Scores by Institution, College Board K-12 Educators Score Reporting Portal; 2021 ACT College Readiness Letter; 2021 National Merit Scholarship Program; 2021 Advanced Placement Program, The College Board.

Class of 2022
Students: 113
Total Students in School (9 - 12): 492

48 Book Program & Electives
Over the course of four years, students are given a book every month that they are held responsible for reading and understanding; students must also participate in Socratic seminars about these books in their English class. This reading requirement is in addition to the 10 books that students read as part of the English curriculum. Students are gifted these books, many of which are written at the college level, so that they may build a personal library. UHS runs two intersessions, one after each semester. A choice of electives, based on student and staff interests, is offered at this time. The elective session is generally two weeks long; students select two electives and attend each class for three hours every day, for a total of 6 hours a day. A selection of past electives includes Culinary Arts, Anatomy and Health Careers, History of Fresno County, Chess Variance, Ski and Snowboard, travel to Costa Rica and Belize, PG&E Alternative & Renewable Energy, Sound Engineering, Criminal Profiling, Robotics, Video Production, as well as Dramatic Production (students rehearse, create sets, make costumes, and produce an entire show themselves, in less than two weeks).

Extracurricular & Code of Character
Students at UHS take on average 8-10 classes per semester and many students attend school from 8am to 3pm each day, leaving little time for studying and extra-curricular activities. Due to the intensity of our program, many of our most competitive clubs (Academic Decathlon, Science Olympiad, Speech and Debate, Mock Trial, Math Team) meet in the evening, after school and on weekends. Participation in these activities requires extreme dedication and passion from involved students.

Our continued success and integration with the college campus requires a more mature behavior from our students, and as such we expect a higher standard of behavior from all students. Every year students are required to sign a Code of Character and we have a Character Education Program and Teacher/Student Committee that oversees and promotes positive student behavior on campus.

Student Ethnic Backgrounds:
1.2% American Indian, 9.8% Chinese, 1.4% Japanese, 1% Korean, 2.6% Vietnamese, 5.9% Asian Indian, 6% Laotian, 5.9% other Asian, 9.1% Filipino, 28.4% Hispanic, 3.9% African American, and 29.2% Caucasian. 5% of our student body will be the first in their family to attend college.
UHS students were accepted to, and attending, the following colleges and universities:

- Academy of Art University
- University of Alabama at Birmingham
- University of Alaska Fairbanks
- Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
- American University
- Arizona State University
- The University of Arizona
- The Art Institute of Seattle
- Azusa Pacific University
- Baldwin Wallace University
- Bard College
- Barnard College
- Baylor University
- Benedictine College
- Berkeley City College
- Berklee College of Music
- Bethel College-KS
- Biola University
- Boise State University
- Boston University
- Bowie State University
- Brigham Young University
- Brigham Young University, Idaho
- Brown University
- University of British Columbia
- Bryn Mawr College
- Cabrillo College
- Cal Maritime
- California Baptist University
- California College of the Arts (San Francisco)
- California Institute of Technology
- California Lutheran University
- California State Polytechnic University - Pomona
- California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
- California State University, Batesfield
- California State University, Channel Islands
- California State University, Chico
- California State University, Dominguez Hills
- California State University, East Bay
- California State University, Fresno
- California State University, Fullerton
- California State University, Long Beach
- California State University, Monterey Bay
- California State University, Northridge
- California State University, Sacramento
- California State University, San Bernardino
- California State University, San Marcos
- California State University, Stanislaus
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of California, Merced
- University of California, Riverside
- University of California, San Diego
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of California, Santa Cruz
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Case Western Reserve University
- The Catholic University of America
- Chapman University
- Charleston Southern University
- University of Chicago
- University of Cincinnati
- The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina
- City College of San Francisco
- Claremont McKenna College
- Clovis Community College
- Cogswell College
- Colby College
- Colgate University
- University of Colorado at Boulder
- Colorado Christian University
- Colorado School of Mines
- Colorado State University
- Columbia University
- Concordia University - Irvine
- Concordia University - Portland
- University of Connecticut
- Corban University
- Cornell University
- Covenant College
- Cuesta College
- University of Dallas
- University of Dayton
- University of Denver
- DePaul University
- Dominican University of California
- Drake University
- Drew University
- Drew University
- Duke University
- Eastern Mennonite University
- Eastern Washington University
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Prescott
- Emerson College
- Emory University
- University of Evansville
- Football College
- Fordham University
- Franciscan University of Steubenville
- Fresno City College
- Fresno Pacific University
- Full Sail University
- Fullerton College
- Gardner-Webb University
- George Fox University
- The George Washington University
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- Gordon College
- Goddard College
- Grand Canyon University
- Grove City College
- Hampton University
- University of Hartford
- Harvard University
- Harvey Mudd College
- Haverford College
- University of Hawaii at Manoa
- Hillel College
- Hofstra University
- Holy Names College
- Hood College
- Hope College
- Hope International University
- Howard University
- Humboldt State University
- University of Illinois at Chicago
- University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
- Illinois Wesleyan University
- Indiana State University
- Indiana University at Bloomington
- Irvine Valley College
- Ithaca College
- Jefferson (Philadelphia University + Thomas Jefferson University)
- Johnson Hopkins University
- Johnson & Wales University (Denver)
- Johnson C. Smith University
- Kalamazoo College
- Kansas State University
- Kent State University
- The King’s College
- La Sierra University
- University of La Verne
- Lake Forest College
- Lee University
- Le Moyne College
- Lewis & Clark College
- Liberty University
- Linfield College
- Lipscomb University
- Loyola Marymount University
- Loyola University Chicago
- Loyola University New Orleans
- Marietta College
- University of Mary Washington
- University of Maryland, College Park
- Marymount Manhattan College
- Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- University of Massachusetts, Lowell
- Mc Gill University
- University of Miami
- Michigan State University
- University of Michigan
- Mills College
- Minnesota State University, Moorhead
- University of Minnesota, Morris
- University of Minnesota, Duluth
- The University of Montana, Missoula
- Monterey Peninsula College
- Moravian College
- Mount Holyoke College
- Mount Saint Mary University (Doheny)
- Nazareth College
- Nebraska Wesleyan University
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- University of New Hampshire
- University of New Mexico
- New York Institute of Technology
- New York University
- North Dakota State University
- North Greenville University
- Northeastern University
- Northern Arizona University
- Northland College
- Norwich University
- University of Notre Dame
- Oberlin College of Arts and Sciences
- Oberlin Conservatory of Music
- Occidental College
- Ohio Northern University
- Oklahoma State University
- University of Oregon
- Pace University, New York City
- Pacific Lutheran University
- Pacific Union College
- Pacific University
- University of the Pacific
- Patrick Henry College
- Paul Mitchell Beauty School
- Pennsylvania State University
- University of Pennsylvania
- Pensacola Christian College
- Pepperdine University
- Pitzer College
- Point Loma Nazarene University
- Point Park University
- Pomona College
- Portland State University
- University of Portland
- Princeton University
- University of Puget Sound
- Purdue University
- Queens University of Charlotte
- College of the Redwoods
- Reed College
- Reedley College
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Rhode Island School of Design
- Rice University
- University of Richmond
- Rider University
- University of Rochester
- Rutgers University - Camden
- Sacramento City College
- Saint Anselm College
- Saint Mary’s College
- Saint Mary’s College of California
- Salem College
- San Diego State University
- University of San Diego
- San Francisco Conservatory of Music
- San Francisco State University
- University of San Francisco
- San Jose State University
- Santa Barbara City College
- Santa Clara University
- Santa Fe University of Art and Design
- Scripps College
- Seattle Pacific University
- Seattle University
- College of the Sequoias
- Simon Fraser University
- Skidmore College
- Snow College
- Sonoma State University
- University of Southern California
- Southern Methodist University
- Southern Oregon University
- Southern Utah University
- Southeastern University
- St. Bonaventure University
- St. Edward’s University
- St. John’s University
- St. Olaf College
- Stanford University
- Stony Brook University
- Syracuse University
- Tabor College
- The University of Tampa
- Temple University
- Texas A&M University
- Texas Christian University
- Texas Tech University
- The University of Texas, Arlington
- The University of Texas, Austin
- The University of Texas, Dallas
- The University of Texas, San Antonio
- The Master’s University
- The Ohio State University
- University of Toledo
- University of Toronto
- Towson University
- Tulane University
- Union College (New York)
- United States Air Force Academy
- United States Coast Guard Academy
- United States Naval Academy
- Utah State University
- Utah Valley University
- University of Utah
- Valparaiso University
- Ventura College
- University of Vermont
- Vermont College of Norwich University
- University of Virginia
- Villanova University
- Virginia Military Institute
- Wake Technical Community College
- Warner Pacific College
- Washington and Lee University
- Washington State University
- Washington University in St. Louis
- University of Washington
- Wellesley College
- West Hills Community College
- West Virginia University
- Western Michigan University
- Western Washington University
- Westmont College
- Wheaton College IL
- Whitman College
- Whittier College
- Whitworth University
- William Jessup University
- Williams College
- Yale University