

Graduation Requirements

CMA School of Arts and Sciences is an accredited registered private school in the state of Oregon. All graduates are required to meet the graduation requirements and standards set forth by our accreditation through AdvancEd and NWAC. All students must be full-time at time of graduation and have completed a minimum of 1.1 credits with CMASAS in their final year leading up to graduation.

AdvancED Policies and Procedures outline certain requirements that all institutions must meet in order to be in compliance and maintain accreditation. One of these assurances requires that all students graduating from member schools complete at least 25% of the courses required for graduation at the institution. Thus, students are required to complete a minimum of 5 credits through CMASAS in order to be eligible for a high school diploma through CMASAS.

While we understand that not all students have the same path and that there are valid reasons for transferring to a school with less than 5 credits remaining for graduation, we must adhere to the policies set forth by AdvancEd to maintain our accreditation. We have created an enrollment plan for students needing to transfer who need less than 6 credits to graduate. Please view our **Senior Year Only** plan on our [Silver Level Tuition](#) page for more details.

We recognize that while many will pursue a college education, others may forego the college experience to pursue and fulfill their life's dream whether that be theater, pro sports, musical performance or other ambitions. CMASAS provides multiple paths for individual goals!

Our [Graduation Requirements](#) have been designed to meet and exceed Oregon State Department of Education requirements so that students receive a rigorous college-prep, yet balanced education while maintaining the flexibility to meet individual student goals for life after graduation.

- **Standard:** a student meeting CMA School of Arts and Sciences' graduation requirements will earn a high school diploma. This option may not meet the minimum college entrance requirements but fulfills the minimum credit and course requirement from CMASAS.
- **College Prep:** students planning on attending university need to review each potential university's entrance requirements and to carefully select a course of study to meet those requirements.

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	Minimum CMASAS Graduation Requirements (Standard Diploma)	Minimum CMASAS Graduation Requirements (College Prep Diploma)	Minimum Requirements for Public, Four-Year Colleges & Universities	Recommended Courses for Highly-Selective Colleges & Universities
English	4 credits	4 credits Include balanced program of literature, writing, and speech/communication.	4 credits 3 credits in composition and literature; recommend both American and World literature (including British literature).	4 credits 3 credits in composition and literature; recommend both American and World literature (including British literature).
Mathematics	3 credits Include Algebra I or higher.	3 credits Include Algebra I or higher.	3 credits Through Algebra II or higher.	3 credits Through Pre-Calculus or higher.
Science	3 credits Must include both a physical and a life science credit.	3 credits Must include both a physical and a life science credit; must include at least two labs.	2 credits Two credits lab science, 1 credit physical and 1 credit life. At least one of the following: biology, chemistry, or physics.	3-4 credits Include both 1 credit physical lab science (physics and/or chemistry), and 1 credit life science (biology) lab science.
Social Studies	3 credits 1 credit world history, 1 credit U.S. history, 0.5 credit economics, and 0.5 credit government or civics.	3 credits 1 credit world history, 1 credit U.S. history, 0.5 credit economics, and 0.5 credit government or civics.	3 credits To include 1 credit world history, 1 credit U.S. history, 0.5 credit economics, and 0.5 credit government or civics.	3-4 credits To include 1 credit world history, 1 credit U.S. history, 0.5 credit economics, and 0.5 credit government or civics.
World Language & Fine Arts & Career Technical Education	3 credits Any visual or performing art, including music and dance; and/or CTE; and/or world language Must include 0.5 credit of Personal Finance	3 credits Any visual or performing art, including music and dance; and/or CTE; and/or world language Must include 0.5 credit of Personal Finance	2 credits of the same language 1 credit	3-4 credits of the same language 2-3 credits
Health & Fitness	2 credits Must include a health class (0.5)	2 credits Must include a health class (0.5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students must earn at least 25% of minimum required graduation credits from CMASAS to qualify for a CMASAS diploma. • Students must have a minimum 2.0 grade point average for coursework meeting college entrance requirements. • Students should check with their college/university of choice to view their entrance requirements. 	
Electives	2 credits	6 credits		
Total	20 credits	24 credits		