
ARCHBISHOP CURLEY HIGH SCHOOL

COURSE DESCRIPTION CATALOGUE

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**DEPARTMENTS --
Listed Alphabetically**

**COURSES --
Listed Numerically**

BUSINESS

PRINCIPLES OF BUSINESS

722 **1 Credit**
Elective Principles of business is an introductory-level business course that studies numerous topics and concepts relating to today's ever-changing business environment. These concepts include management, marketing, accounting, economics, entrepreneurship, international business, business ethics, and current events. The goal of the course is to provide students the opportunity to study a wide range of content while identifying areas of strength that match their personal interests, aptitudes, and skill sets that will be developed in subsequent courses. Available to Cupertino and Anthony level juniors and seniors. **Note: Honors level students will be required to complete additional assignments and assessments for full Honors credit.**

PERSONAL FINANCE

725 **1 Credit**
Elective Financial literacy is an essential skill in the 21st century. Concepts explored in this class will enable students to analyze personal financial decisions, evaluate costs and benefits of their decisions, recognize their rights and responsibilities as consumers, and apply the knowledge learned in school to financial scenarios encountered in life. The course will primarily focus on understanding and managing one's personal finances and how to make informed decisions about real world financial issues. Students develop sound financial decision-making skills by exploring how to set personal goals, options for investing and saving for retirement, completing personal tax documents, and evaluating financial instruments. Available to Cupertino and Anthony level juniors and seniors, with Department approval.

PRINCIPLES OF MICROECONOMICS

731 (Honors) **½ Credit**
732 (Cupertino)
Elective Microeconomics is the field of economics that studies decision making on an individual and business level. It examines how decisions are

made and based on the allocation of limited resources. This course will provide a solid foundation in microeconomics and thorough introduction to economic theory. Topics include tradeoffs, benefits of trade, and market forces of supply and demand. In this course students will study government's role in the economy, factors that lead to efficient markets, how companies maximize profits, and how prices are determined. This course will examine these topics in a primarily team-based and project-based environment in which students will use real world cases and data to gain an understanding of microeconomics. (Prerequisite: Principles of Business or Accounting I.)

ACCOUNTING I

741 **1 Credit**
Elective An introductory course in accounting procedures in which students will learn to read, keep, interpret, and analyze financial records; apply generally accepted accounting principles; understand how the accounting system provides businesses with information; recognize the various users of accounting information; and understand the dynamic nature of the business environment in which accounting information is used. Available to juniors and seniors.

ACCOUNTING II

751 **1 Credit**
Elective This class is for students who have successfully completed Accounting I (741). This course will cover more advanced accounting principles such as: cash receipt/payment transactions, special journals, ten column worksheet, petty cash, depreciation of plant assets, uncollectible accounts, inventories, notes payable and receivable, partnerships, corporate accounting, and ethics in accounting. Available to Honors level seniors, upon successful completion of 741.

ENGLISH

READING/WRITING I

104 **1 Credit**
Required In addition to the reinforcement of basic reading skills such as word recognition, comprehension, study skills and reading rate, this course provides instruction in the specialized skills needed to understand content-area materials. Both traditional and creative modes of writing are taught. Students employ comprehension and written skills to generate logical paragraphs which form good essays. This course is taken in addition to the regular English requirement.

READING/WRITING II

105 **1 Credit**
Required Skills previously taught in READING/WRITING I are reviewed and enforced in greater depth. A wide spectrum of new concepts and techniques are introduced to assist the transition of interpreting information from a controlled classroom situation for the student to use in everyday, functional writing, as well as, creative writing and poetry. This course is taken in addition to the regular English requirement.

ENGLISH I

111 (Honors) **1 Credit**
112 (Cupertino)
113 (Anthony)
Required This course is designed to introduce the student to the various genres of literature: short stories, poetry, epic poem and drama. The goal is to deepen the student's analytical reading, writing and discussion skills. Students will expand on their vocabulary through the systematic study of vocabulary. Students will do a review of grammar. During the year, students will work at developing their writing skills. Students will be introduced to the fundamentals of doing a research paper.

ENGLISH II

121 (Honors) **1 Credit**
122 (Cupertino)
123 (Anthony)
Required This course is designed to build on the foundation of the freshman year by doing a more intensive study of the various genres of literature: short story, novel, poetry, and drama. Students will continue their study of vocabulary and grammar. Students will continue to develop their critical thinking and analysis of the materials covered in class. Students will be expected to write at the level for the SAT. Students will do a research paper incorporating what they have learned in freshman year.

HONORS JUNIOR ENGLISH

141 **1 Credit**
Required Honors Junior English engages students in close reading, discussion, interpretation, and critical analysis of imaginative literature: poetry, plays, short stories, graphic novels, and traditional novels. This course continues a four year progression in which students are exposed to a variety of literature and challenged to develop their writing skills through intensive college preparatory writing and creative composition – writing research papers, poetry, reading journals, and other writing assignments aimed at bringing students to a level of competence, comfort, and creativity

required of honors college students across the U.S. Honors Junior English and is open to any Honors junior who is willing to devote time to become a confidently literate young adult ready for college or university academic life.

AMERICAN LITERATURE

142 (Cupertino) **1 Credit**
143 (Anthony)
Required The objective of the junior American Literature course is to introduce the student to the development of American Literature from Early American Literature to the Modern Age. The course will include both fiction and non-fiction works. During the year, students will be challenged to expand on their knowledge in the following areas: critical analysis and critical thinking skills, and SAT level writing skills. Students will be required to write a research paper on some aspect of the development of American Literature.

HONORS SENIOR ENGLISH

131 **1 Credit**
Required Honors Senior English builds upon Honors Junior English by engaging students in the careful reading, discussion, interpretation, and critical analysis of imaginative literature: poetry, plays, short stories, and novels. This capstone honors course completes a four-year progression in which students are ultimately asked to address themselves to literature across time, space, and genre boundaries. Finally, students will continue to develop their writing skills through intensive college preparatory writing and creative composition – writing research papers, poetry, reading journals, and other writing assignments aimed at bringing students to a level of competence, comfort, and creativity required of honors college students across the U.S. Honors Senior English is open to any Honors senior who is willing to devote enough time to become a confidently literate young adult ready for college or university academic life.

BRITISH LITERATURE

132 (Cupertino) **1 Credit**
133 (Anthony)
Required The objective of the senior British Literature course is to introduce the student to the development of British Literature from the Anglo-Saxon Period (449-1066) to the Modern Period (1901-1945). Works from Beowulf to James Joyce will be covered. The course will look at the impact of culture and historical events on the development of British Literature. During the year the students will be challenged to expand their knowledge in the following areas: critical thinking and analysis of the material, college

level writing assignments, and creative projects. Students will be required to write a research paper on some aspect of the development of British Literature.

REAL WORLD WRITING

153 **1 Credit**
Elective Real World Writing will accelerate the comprehension and writing skills mastered in Reading I and Reading II in order for students to apply those skills in analyzing, synthesizing, and evaluating reading and writing assignments in World Literature, United States History, Science and Mathematics. Students will recognize the correlation of reading and writing in World Literature and United States History by incorporating analytical critiques in order to synthesize, evaluate and apply skills in those subjects. Students will also develop higher level thinking skills in Science and Mathematics in order to see Science and Math in everyday life. Students will apply their knowledge, and explain how real world writing is synthesized into everyday life. (Placement by Anthony Program Coordinator)

ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENGLISH LANGUAGE & COMPOSITION

161 **1 Credit**
Required The Advanced Placement English Language and Composition course is designed with the same rigor as an introductory college-level composition course. Students are challenged to cultivate a deep understanding of writing and rhetorical arguments in order to become curious, critical, and responsive readers while also becoming flexible and reflective writers of diverse texts addressed to diverse audiences for diverse purposes. Students also explore aspects of the rhetorical situation such as claims and evidence, reasoning and organization, and authorial style through reading, analyzing, and writing texts so that they are prepared to sit for the AP Exam in May. Most importantly, students develop a breadth of compositional skills informed by their ability to discern how language functions rhetorically; namely, how writers communicate intentions and elicit reader responses in diverse contexts. Enrollment is limited to only the most able and highly motivated students who are willing to devote the extra time and effort the course requires. Teacher recommendation required.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENGLISH LITERATURE & COMPOSITION

171 **1 Credit**
Required AP English Literature and Composition engages students in the careful reading and critical analysis of imaginative literature. This reading necessarily builds upon and complements the reading done in previous English courses so that by the time students complete their AP course, they will have read works from several genres and periods – from the 16th to the 21st century. In the course, students read deliberately and thoroughly, taking time to understand a work's complexity, to absorb its richness of meaning, and to analyze how that meaning is embodied in literary form. In addition to considering a work's literary artistry, students reflect on the social and historical values it reflects and embodies. Finally, writing is an integral part of the AP English Literature and Composition course and exam. Writing assignments focus on the critical analysis of literature and include expository, analytical, and argumentative essays. Teacher recommendation required.

HONORS SCIENCE FICTION & FANTASY

187 **1 Credit**
Elective The purpose of this course is to introduce students to survey the history, culture, and practice of Science Fiction and Fantasy literature. Over the course of the year, students will learn about the origins of sci-fi and fantasy literature from the Greco-Roman period to the present, and they will survey the major sub-genres, focusing on novels, short stories, and poetry. Not only will students be challenged to understand how the "other worlds" of science fiction and fantasy are created, they will also be encouraged to craft fiction and poetry of their own in the traditions of sci-fi and fantasy. Available to juniors and seniors in the Honors and Cupertino programs. Honors students will complete additional work to earn Honors credit in the course.

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they will also be encouraged to craft fiction and poetry of their own in the traditions of sci-fi and fantasy. Juniors or seniors in the Anthony program may enroll in this Cupertino course, with Anthony Program Coordinator and teacher approval.

AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERATURE

191 (Honors) **1 Credit**
192 (Cupertino)
Elective African American Literature is a junior and senior level course open to students of all academic programs that explores the writings and ideas of the African American peoples from their origins in Africa and the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade until today. Emphasis is given to preparation for college-level reading, writing, and discussion skills. At the end of the year, students will be familiar with the major figures in the history of African American literature, and students are prepared to write critical analysis essays on works from poetry, to novels, to films. Finally, material culture and history is explored by a focus on Baltimore's African American literary history.

FINE ARTS

HONORS ART SEMINAR

911 **½ Credit**
Required This is a course designed to improve visual literacy. The elements of art and the principles of design will be introduced. The roots of Western Art will be explored, touching upon prehistoric, ancient Egypt, Greece and Rome, as well as the Medieval and Renaissance periods. Approximately one third of the course time will be utilized for the creation of original art projects based upon the principles learned. Woven throughout the appreciation, history and project sections will be the quest for the answer to the enigmatic question "Why does man create?" All students will be required to visit an art museum each quarter.

ART SEMINAR

912 (Cupertino) **½ Credit**
913 (Anthony)
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sections will be the quest for the answer to the enigmatic question "Why does man create?" All students will be required to visit an art museum each quarter.

HONORS MUSIC APPRECIATION

921 **½ Credit**
Required Introduction to the varied performing mediums, the sight and sounds of instruments and their families and the development of music from the Medieval to the classical period. This course is specifically designed to develop listening skill while reinforcing skills of memorization and writing. All students are required to attend one professional concert per quarter. Fulfills Fine Arts credit requirement.

MUSIC APPRECIATION

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923 (Anthony)
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CONCERT BAND

931 (Honors) **1 Credit**
932 (Cupertino)
Elective A performance oriented course designed to develop the student's mental and physical dexterity through instrumental music. In this course the student continues to develop instrumental techniques with greater emphasis on ensemble playing, performance and music theory. Assigned performances are a requirement. (Prerequisite: Soph Instrument.)*

MUSIC HISTORY

941 (Honors) **½ Credit**
942 (Cupertino)
943 (Anthony)
Elective This survey and analysis course will examine the history of music beginning with pre-history and extending into the present. Students will trace the development of music by musical form and compositional techniques and as a reflection of the historical epoch in which each particular musical form evolved. Proficiency in the rudiments of music is required. (Pre-requisites: successful completion of at least one (1) year in one of Curley's performing ensembles,

and continued participation in one of these ensembles during the course.)

FROSH INSTRUMENT

944 (Honors) 1 Credit

945 (Cupertino)

Required A performance oriented course in which the student learns to play an instrument of his choice. The course introduces progressive etudes and scales designed to develop instrumental tone, articulation, technical facility, phrasing, rhythm, dynamics and melodic line. Freshmen instrumentalists also study prominent Concert Band Literature through their participation in the Curley Concert Band. Assigned performances are a requirement. (Prerequisite: a beginning course in instrumental music.) Fulfills Fine Arts credit requirement.*

SOPH INSTRUMENT

953 (Honors) 1 Credit

954 (Cupertino)

Required A continuation of studies in tone, articulation, technical facility, phrasing, rhythm, dynamics and melodic line through the performance of progressive scales and etudes. This course includes a more detailed study of Concert Band Literature and musical theory. Assigned performances are a requirement. (Prerequisite: Frosh Instrument.)*

JAZZ ENSEMBLE

961 ½ Credit

Elective Open to advanced Concert Band members as a second style of performance. The course includes studies in Jazz improvisation, phrasing and articulation. The ensemble performs 15 to 20 concerts during the school year. Concert performances are a requirement. Admission by audition only. (Course meets Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.)* * Instruments to be provided by the student.

MUSICIANSHIP I

971 (Honors) 1 Credit

972 (Cupertino)

Elective The study of written harmony, keyboard harmony, ear training and sight singing, based on the techniques of composers of the 17th to 19th centuries. Discussions will include a brief review of the rudiments of music, a detailed survey of chords from the simple triad to thirteenth chords, chordal movement through part-writing and figured bass, and harmonizing given melodies as well as creating original music. Analysis, listening, instrumental and vocal applications will be an essential part of each topic covered. Available to juniors and seniors. (Prerequisite: Formal instruction in vocal or instrumental technique.)

INTRODUCTION TO THEATER ARTS

975 1 Credit

Elective This course is intended to enhance a student's personal theatrical ability and/or his appreciation of theatre through a survey of the fundamental elements of drama and production. In addition to a discussion of the history and literature of theatre, students will also examine various practical aspects of stage production including: acting, improvisation, directing, choreography, lighting, costumes, make-up, publicity, set design and construction. As a requirement of the course, students must attend the school's two Blackfriars' Theatre productions. Field trips to local, regional or Broadway theatres may also be included as components of this course.

DESIGN & COMPOSITION

983 (Honors) ½ Credit

984 (Cupertino)

Elective The principles of design serve as guidelines for the use and arrangement of the elements of art. The object of this course is to develop a working knowledge of the elements of art: color, value, line, texture, shape, form and space and the principles of composition: balance, gradation, variety and contrast, repetition and rhythm, emphasis and unity. Progress will be measured, for the most part, by producing visual works which demonstrate an understanding of the elements and principles. (Prerequisite: Art Seminar.)

FINE ARTS

985 1 Credit

Elective The materials, techniques and subject matter of traditional Fine Arts will be explored. They include head sculpture and casting, non representational sculpture, drawing, water color painting and silk screen painting. (Pre-requisite: Successful completion of Design and Composition.)

SENIOR STUDIO

986 1 Credit

Elective This class will be customized for each student to meet their needs, whether they are portfolio problems or just personal interests. The course of study will be worked out on a one-on-one basis with specific quarterly goals and reviews. A student may, for example, elect to work in three dimensional mediums for the entire year, while another student may want to do creative techniques on the MacIntosh. Each will be accommodated. Available to seniors only. (Pre-requisite: Successful completion of Art Seminar, Design and Composition, and Fine Arts.)

AP STUDIO ART

987 1 Credit

Elective As an AP Studio Art student, students are asked to emphasize research, experimentation, discovery, inventive thinking, critical analysis and problem-solving in their art making. In the AP Studio Art class, students will work toward submission of a portfolio exam for AP Studio Art: 2-D Design. Their goal will be to create a portfolio of college-level work and, at the end of the end of the school year, submit it for evaluation. The portfolio has three sections: Selected Works (Quality), Sustained Investigation (Concentration), and Range of Approaches (Breadth). In the spring, students will upload digital images of their work and commentary online. They will also send in actual artworks. A qualifying portfolio score can earn college credit and/or advanced placement. Available to seniors only. Instructor approval required for enrollment.

FINE ARTS PHOTOGRAPHY

989 1 Credit

Elective A course designed to assist students in exploring digital photography as a visual art form. Topics will include historical perspective, compositional techniques, black and white photography, and theme development. Basic digital image manipulation and editing will be introduced. Students will create various photo projects to demonstrate their work and understanding of digital photography, and these projects will be on display throughout the community. Students' work will be exhibited during the Spring Art Show (attendance is mandatory). Available to juniors and seniors only.

CURLEY CHOIR

991 (Honors) 1 Credit

992 (Cupertino)

Elective A course designed to teach the rudiments of music and the fundamentals of vocal technique using a performance-based approach. The student will learn to use properly the human vocal mechanism, and at the same time, learn how to interpret a composer's intentions as set out in a musical score. Emphasis will be placed on tuning, blend, breathing technique, vowel coloration and consonant articulation. Fulfills Fine Arts credit requirement.

GUIDANCE and COUNSELING

COLLEGE INTRO TO PSYCHOLOGY - ONLINE

284 1 Credit

Elective This is an online Psychology course offered through Anne Arundel

Community College. Students will earn credit from Curley as well as 3 undergraduate credits from Anne Arundel Community College. Students will explore major psychological theories and concepts and related current research findings. Topics include learning, physiological bases of behavior, motivation and emotions, human development, personality and abnormal behavior. There is an added fee for this course. Available to seniors only. Prerequisite: Guidance Department approval. Offered during semester one.

COLLEGE INTRO TO SOCIOLOGY - ONLINE

285 1 Credit

Elective This is an online Sociology course offered through Anne Arundel Community College. Students will earn credit from Curley as well as 3 undergraduate credits from Anne Arundel Community College. Students will learn sociological principles and perspectives as a way of understanding everyday social life, study meanings and functions of various roles in historical and contemporary societies, and evaluate causes, consequences and comparisons of social hierarchies. There is an added fee for this course. Available to seniors only. Prerequisite: Guidance Department approval. Offered during semester two.

COLLEGE ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY - ONLINE

287 1 Credit

Elective This is an online Abnormal Psychology course offered through Anne Arundel Community College. Students will earn credit from Curley as well as 3 undergraduate credits from Anne Arundel Community College. Students will learn about mental disorders, including an examination of causes, symptoms, treatment and management. Students will study anxiety disorders, mood disorders, personality disorders and schizophrenia, as well as explore problems in the field of abnormal psychology and discuss current attempts to solve them. There is an added fee for this course. Available to seniors only. Prerequisite: Introduction to Psychology and Guidance Department approval. Offered during semester two.

INTRO CRIMINAL JUSTICE

288 1 Credit

Elective This is an online Intro Criminal Justice course offered through Anne Arundel Community College. Students will earn credit from Curley as well as 3 undergraduate credits from Anne Arundel Community College. This course will survey the history, development and philosophy of law enforcement. Introduces the local, state, and federal agencies involved in

the administration of criminal justice. Includes the court and trial process. There is an added fee for this course. Available to seniors only. Prerequisite: Guidance Department approval. Offered during semester one.

TEACHER'S AIDE INDEPENDENT STUDY

871 1 Credit
The Teacher's Aide position is intended for use as an elective in addition to an academic schedule for Senior Scholars. It should not be used by the student in lieu of the academically challenging courses already offered, but as an extension class in a discipline of interest. For example, a student who is enrolled in AP Physics and would like to take an additional science class may become a teacher's aide for different, lower-level or underclass science class. The student should be prepared to work in many positions, including, but not limited to: small group tutorials, individual tutorials, mentoring, limited assisted class teaching, labs and administrative duties. Available to Senior Scholars only. (Prerequisite: Approval of Scholars Coordinator.)

LANGUAGES

HONORS SPANISH I

511 1 Credit
Required Introduction to the speaking, listening, reading and writing of Spanish at an accelerated pace. The basic fundamentals of grammar and speech patterns are developed with the aid of textbook and iPad.

SPANISH I

512 (Cupertino) 1 Credit
516* (Anthony)

Required Introduction to the speaking, listening, reading and writing of Spanish. The basic fundamentals of grammar and speech patterns are developed with the aid of textbook and iPad. (*516 for Anthony Program sophomores/juniors only with recommendation of Anthony Program Coordinator and approval of Language Department Chair.)

HONORS SPANISH II

521 1 Credit
Required An accelerated continuation of the fundamental linguistic skills presented in Spanish I, with a greater emphasis on grammatical structure in the language. The course aims to prepare the student for greater understanding of the spoken language and to prepare him for further study of Spanish literature. Greater emphasis is placed on the spoken language. Several short stories, poems, and a short novel are read, and a daily

journal is a requirement. (Prerequisite: Spanish 511.)

SPANISH II

522 (Cupertino) 1 Credit
526* (Anthony)

Required A continuation of the fundamental linguistic skills presented in Spanish I, with a greater emphasis on grammatical structures in the foreign language. Greater emphasis is placed on the spoken language. (*526 for Anthony Program juniors/seniors only with recommendation of Anthony Program Coordinator and approval of Language Department Chair.)

SPANISH III

532 1 Credit

Elective This course is a continuation of the vocabulary, grammar, and structure studied in Spanish II and is offered to Cupertino and Anthony students. An emphasis will be placed on the spoken language. This course will include an introduction to Hispanic/Spanish short stories and poetry. (Prerequisite: Spanish II 522 or 526.)

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

SPANISH III

531 1 Credit

Elective AP Spanish III serves as preparation for either the AP Language or AP Literature exam. The course is conducted entirely in Spanish. After a review of basic grammar and structure, the student is introduced to new, more intricate grammatical structures. More emphasis is placed on the spoken form of the language. The student is introduced to Spanish/Hispanic literature through short stories, poetry, novels, and drama. AP Spanish III is a Dual Enrollment for college credit course. (Prerequisite: Spanish II 521 and teacher approval.)

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

SPANISH IV

541 1 Credit

Elective Advanced Placement Spanish IV serves as preparation for the AP Exam in either Spanish Language or Spanish Literature. The course is conducted entirely in Spanish. Emphasis is placed upon class discussion and composition. An in-depth study of Spanish/Hispanic literature, in the forms of short stories, essays, poetry, novels, and drama is included in this course. Grammatical structures and vocabulary are reviewed and applied to both literature and composition. AP Spanish IV is a Dual Enrollment for college credit course. (Prerequisite: AP Spanish III and teacher approval.)

SPANISH IV

542 1 Credit

Elective This course will focus on more advanced grammatical concepts and is offered to Cupertino and Anthony students. Students will acquire knowledge of Spanish/Latino writers through literature. Vocabulary, writing, and speaking skills will be enriched and improved. (Prerequisite: Spanish III 532.)

LATIN I

584 1 Credit

Required Latin I will introduce students to Latin vocabulary, and give students an understanding of basic Latin grammatical principles. The course also highlights Latin's interdisciplinary nature, so in addition to the language students will learn about Roman history (from its legendary beginnings to the fall of the republic), mythology, and culture.

LATIN II

585 1 Credit

Required Latin II will pick up where Latin I left off. Students learn Latin vocabulary, and gain an understanding of more advanced Latin grammatical principles. The course also highlights Latin's interdisciplinary nature, so in addition to the language students will learn about Roman history (from the fall of the republic into the Imperial period), mythology, and culture.

LATIN III

586 1 Credit

Elective Latin III will introduce students to more advanced grammatical structures and nuances of the language. Students will transition out of the textbook and begin to explore the Latin literary genres of history and comedy. Students will focus on first reading lightly adapted then fully unadapted portions of Caesar's De Bello Gallico and the comedic playwright Plautus Menaechmi in addition to excerpts from other historical and comedic authors. (Prerequisite: Latin II and teacher approval.)

LATIN IV

587 1 Credit

Elective Latin IV introduces students to epic poetry through Vergil's Aeneid. Students will gain an appreciation for epic poetry on a philological, cultural, and historical level. In addition to the Aeneid, passages from the Iliad and Odyssey will be read. (Prerequisite: Latin III and teacher recommendation.)

ITALIAN I

651 1 Credit

Required An introduction to speaking, listening, reading, and writing the Italian language. The basic fundamentals of grammar, speech patterns, sentence structures and conversational skills are

introduced and developed. Students will also be introduced to Italian customs and culture.

ITALIAN II

652 1 Credit

Required A continuation of the fundamental linguistic skills presented in Italian I, with a greater emphasis on more complex grammatical structures in the foreign language. This course aims to prepare the student for a more extensive, in-depth understanding of the spoken language and to prepare him for a further study of Italian. The student will also continue to be immersed in Italian culture and traditions. Greater emphasis is placed on the spoken and written language.

COLLEGE ITALIAN III

654 1 Credit

Elective An accelerated course in conversational Italian. The student is given the opportunity to express himself in Italian through the use of directed conversation using various aspects of everyday dialogue. More complex grammatical constructions are presented to the student and must be applied to oral work, writing composition, and reading and listening comprehension. More emphasis is placed on the spoken form of the language. Italian literature and culture will be introduced through the use of short stories, poetry, novels, drama, film, and opera study. The course is conducted entirely in Italian. College Italian III is a Dual Enrollment for college credit course. (Prerequisite: teacher approval.)

COLLEGE ITALIAN IV

656 1 Credit

Elective The course is conducted in Italian. Emphasis is placed upon advanced grammar and vocabulary skill building. Italian literature and culture will be discussed through the use of short stories, poetry, novels, drama, film and opera study. The student is given the opportunity to express himself in Italian through the use of daily conversation. College Italian IV is a Dual Enrollment for college credit course. (Prerequisite: College Italian 654 and teacher approval.)

MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES

PRE-ALGEBRA

403 1 Credit

Required This course is designed for those freshmen entering high school who need to develop adequate mathematical skills and sufficient background knowledge for success in a course in Algebra. The first semester

will consist of an extensive review of arithmetic skills, including whole numbers, decimals, fractions and factoring. During the second semester, emphasis is placed on integrating mathematical concepts with basic algebra and geometry. Topics include solving equations, working with formulas, ratio, integers and graphing fundamentals. Students will also learn techniques for solving word problems throughout the course.

HONORS ALGEBRA I

411 **1 Credit**
Required This course is a fast-paced course through various Algebra I concepts such as solving equations and inequalities, graphing linear equations and inequalities, operations with polynomials, solving systems of equations, operations with rational expressions, and introduction to data analysis, measures of central tendency and graphical representations of data. Students in this course will enter with strong basic mathematics skills. Students will work on developing problem solving skills, critical thinking skills, and applications of concepts to real-world situations.

ALGEBRA I

412 **1 Credit**
Required An axiomatic approach to algebra, emphasizing the basic structure of algebra and the application of algebraic concepts, this course is designed for freshmen entering high school with suitable mathematical backgrounds in arithmetic and pre-algebra. Topics covered include sets of numbers, laws and principles of algebra, solving equations, factoring, rational expressions, radicals and polynomials. Basic data analysis, measures of central tendency and graphical representations of data will be explored. Students will also develop problem-solving skills.

ALGEBRA I

413 **1 Credit**
Required A fundamental course in algebra designed for freshmen entering high school with some skills developed in pre-algebra but who are in need of a slower pace in order to internalize the basic concepts of algebra. This course is also available to sophomores who have successfully completed Pre-Algebra during their freshmen year. Topics include the set, solving equations, inequalities, working with polynomials and graphing techniques. Students will develop their problem-solving skills throughout the course as they discover applications of the algebraic concepts. An introduction to data analysis and graphical displays of data will be explored. (Prerequisite: Pre-Algebra.)

HONORS ALGEBRA II

421 **1 Credit**
Required A rigorous course in Algebra II/Trigonometry intended for juniors who successfully completed 411 and 431, and for incoming freshman who have successfully completed a high-school level Algebra I and Geometry courses prior to entry as evidenced by scores on the Archbishop Curley math placement tests. Students entering this course will have a strong understanding of Algebra I and Geometry concepts and their applications. Students will develop strong critical thinking skills as they continue to build on their prior knowledge of Algebra. Topics covered include solving equations such as radical, rational, and polynomial, graphing polynomial and rational functions, complex numbers, logarithmic and exponential functions, trigonometric functions, graphing trigonometric functions, and solving trigonometric equations. Students are introduced to data analysis of normal and standard distributions and to linear and quadratic regression. Students from this course may place into 441, 461 or 465 based on various factors. (Pre-requisites: 411, 431, or qualifying score on Placement Tests.)

ALGEBRA II

422 **1 Credit**
Required An intermediate course in algebra available for Juniors with a wide range of abilities who have successfully completed Algebra I and who are contemplating college. Students will develop their thinking, problem-solving and reasoning skills through application of the algebraic ideas while building on previously learned concepts. After a review and enhancement of the basics of Algebra I, course topics include functions, graphing, polynomial operations, rational expressions, radicals, complex numbers, solving quadratic equations and laws of exponents. Data analysis of normal and standard distributions and introduction to linear and quadratic regression will also be explored. (Pre-requisites: Algebra I and Geometry.)

ALGEBRA II

423 **1 Credit**
Required A fundamental course in algebraic essentials designed for Juniors and Seniors considering college who have completed Algebra I but who are in need of a slower pace in order to fully comprehend the concepts and ideas. The emphasis in this course is to do several topics well rather than simply covering material at a predetermined tempo, while simultaneously developing problem-solving and reasoning skills that are transferable to a variety of areas. After a review of Pre-Algebra and Algebra I, students will examine techniques

for solving equations and inequalities, graphing equations, functions, polynomials, basic laws of exponents, radicals and quadratic equations. Basic characteristics of normal and standardized curves and data analysis applications will also be introduced. A four-function calculator will be used periodically. (Pre-requisite: Algebra I and Geometry.)

HONORS PLANE, SOLID & COORDINATE GEOMETRY

431 **1 Credit**
Required An intense course designed for Sophomores who have developed strong mathematical abilities. Students will continue to cultivate their problem-solving skills while discussing topics in two and three dimensional Euclidean geometry. Proofs and geometric applications will be examined in detail to reinforce and enhance the reasoning abilities and thinking skills of the students. Topics include congruent triangles, similar polygons, right triangles and the Pythagorean Theorem, circles, constructions, area, perimeter, volume, coordinate geometry and probability. (Prerequisite: Algebra I 411 or Honors Algebra 421.)

PLANE GEOMETRY

432 **1 Credit**
Required A course in fundamental two-dimensional Euclidean geometry designed for sophomores with adequate mathematical skills who have satisfactorily completed Algebra I. Students will develop problem-solving, critical thinking, and reasoning skills through a variety of topics, including congruent triangles, proofs, similar polygons, basic right triangle trigonometry, area and circles, and probability. (Pre-requisite: Algebra I.)

DESCRIPTIVE GEOMETRY

433 **1 Credit**
Required A basic yet vital Euclidean geometry for sophomores and juniors who have completed Algebra I. Students will develop thinking, reasoning and critical-thinking skills through an assortment of topics such as points, lines, planes, angles, congruence, parallel lines, volumes of solid figures, special triangles, similar polygons, area and perimeter, circles and probability. (Pre-requisite: Algebra I.)

PRE-CALCULUS

441 **1 Credit**
Required A demanding, extensive and thorough course for mathematically proficient Juniors and Seniors who have successfully and effectively completed Honors Algebra or Algebra II. This course presents topics in advanced algebra and mathematics, integrated with a complete course in trigonometry in order to provide the essential foundation for the learning

of the calculus. Students will augment their problem-solving, reasoning and thinking skills through an array of topics and applications. After a review and enhancement of the critical and significant topics of Algebra, students will discuss conic sections, matrices, inverses and compositions of functions, exponential and logarithmic functions, trigonometric graphs, identities and formulas such as the Law of Sines and the Law of Cosines. Introduction of calculus topics such as Limits and Derivatives will help prepare seniors for college calculus and juniors for AP Calculus. A scientific graphing calculator will be used throughout this course. A calculator such as the TI-84+™, or TI nspire™, or TI nspire CAS™ is recommended. (Prerequisite: 411, 431, 421 and department recommendation.)

COLLEGE ALGEBRA and TRIGONOMETRY

442 **1 Credit**
Required This course is primarily geared for Seniors who need to strengthen their algebraic and problem-solving skills in order to successfully handle college courses in mathematics, engineering, the sciences or other fields requiring a strong mathematical foundation. The course begins with a detailed review and enhancement of the essential topics of Algebra I and II, such as solving linear and quadratic equations, working with inequalities, graphing and functions. Students will then discuss exponential and logarithmic functions and their applications. The second semester is devoted in large part to a course in trigonometry, covering such topics as basic right triangle trigonometry, graphing trig functions, working with trig formulas, solving trig equations and applications of the trigonometric concepts. Other topics in advanced mathematics, such as matrices, will be covered as time permits. A scientific calculator is strongly recommended for this course. (Prerequisite: Algebra II and Geometry.)

COLLEGE ALGEBRA, PROBABILITY & STATISTICS

453 **1 Credit**
Required This senior Anthony program math course is designed to reinforce and integrate previously learned math concepts. Students taking this course will practice math theory and practical application to be prepared for entry level college courses, as well as math application in the real world. Focus will be on real world applications and assignments and will include projects, group activities and skill review. Calculators will be used to reduce calculation errors and emphasize process. This course is offered in two parts. First semester will focus on

Algebra topics, particularly functions. Students will examine techniques for solving equations and inequalities, graphing equations, functions, polynomials, basic laws of exponents, radicals and quadratic equations. The second semester will introduce students to topics in Statistics and Probability. The course will introduce students to the major concepts and tools for collecting, analyzing and drawing conclusions from data. Topics in both descriptive and inferential statistics are covered, as well as ideas concerning probability. There is emphasis on the interpretation of statistical results as well as the predictive power of statistics. Real world data will be used whenever possible to illustrate concepts. Students will have at least one major project to complete where they will collect and analyze data and draw conclusions. Students will require a graphing/statistical calculator.

HONORS CALCULUS

461 **1 Credit**
Required A course in fundamental calculus that explores the concepts of polynomial and rational functions, logarithmic and exponential functions, limits and their properties, differentiation, and applications of differentiation in the real world. Seniors in this course will be prepared for a college-level Calculus course, and juniors/sophomores will be prepared for AP Calculus. (Pre-requisites: Algebra 421 or Pre-Calculus 441 and departmental recommendation.)

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CALCULUS AB

451 **1 Credit**
Elective This college-oriented course, is offered to those juniors and seniors gifted in mathematics and who intend to pursue undergraduate study in mathematics, science or related areas. It is designed to introduce students to the fundamentals and applications of both differential and integral calculus. Students who enroll in this course should possess an array of analytical, reasoning and problem-solving skills which will continue to be embellished and enhanced. After a brief review of preliminary concepts, course topics include limits, derivatives and their applications, integration techniques and applications, transcendental functions and partial differentiation. The course prepares students to take the national AP exam in order to qualify for credit for one semester of college level calculus. A graphing calculator is required in the course. Recommended calculator is the TI nspire™ CAS Touchpad or TI nspire CAS CX™. (Prerequisites: Pre-Calculus 441 or Honors Calculus 461, and departmental recommendation.)

ADVANCED PLACEMENT STATISTICS

465 **1 Credit**
Elective Designed for students who will be pursuing a variety of college majors, statistics is a branch of mathematics that almost all students will find valuable. The purpose of the AP course in statistics is to introduce students to the major concepts and tools for collecting, analyzing and drawing conclusions from data. Topics in both descriptive and inferential statistics are covered, as well as ideas concerning probability. There is emphasis on the interpretation of statistical results as well as the predictive power of statistics. Students who successfully complete the course and exam may receive credit, advanced placement, or both for a one-semester introductory college statistics course. Because Algebra II is the prerequisite course, AP Statistics usually will be taken in a student's junior or senior year. An approved calculator is required for this course. Recommended calculator is the TI nspire™ or TI nspire CAS™, although the TI-84™/CE™/89™ are also acceptable. (Prerequisites: Geometry and Algebra II or Pre-Calculus, and departmental recommendation.)

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CALCULUS AB/BC

471 **1 Credit**
Elective This advanced course is offered to seniors gifted in mathematics who intend to pursue undergraduate study in mathematics, science, engineering or related areas. AP® Calculus AB/BC is equivalent to a full-year college course in the calculus of functions of a single variable. It includes all topics taught in AP® Calculus AB, plus logistic differential equations, Euler's Method, advanced techniques of integration, convergence and divergence tests for infinite series, Taylor and Maclaurin series, power series, and vector and polar functions and their applications. AP® Calculus BC is an extension of AP® Calculus AB rather than an enhancement; common topics require a similar depth of understanding. A Calculus AB sub score is reported based on performance on the portion of the AP® Calculus BC Exam devoted to AP® Calculus AB topics. The content of AP® Calculus BC is designed to qualify the student for placement and credit in a course that is one course beyond that granted for AP® Calculus AB. A graphing calculator is required in the course. Recommended calculator is the TI nspire CAS™ Touchpad or TI nspire CAS CX™. (Prerequisites: AP Calculus AB 451 or Honors Calculus 461, and departmental recommendation.)

NATURAL SCIENCE

HONORS BIOLOGY

321 **1 Credit**
Required Emphasis is placed on developing a broad understanding of the Cell theory, Evolutionary theory, the Gene theory and their interrelatedness. Students will study chemical organization of life, the cell, aspects of metabolism, nucleic acid activity, genetics, evolution, life processes, ecology and biological history. Reading current literature on biological science and laboratory investigations, which are a required part of the course, will assist in teaching the concepts and developing an appreciation for biological science. This course is designed for Honors Freshmen.

BIOLOGY

322 **1 Credit**
Required Biology studies the inter-relationships of life, the cell, evolution, and hereditary. Instruction will help students learn the concepts behind each of the major theories, and to develop an understanding of the complexity of life. Laboratory investigations, a required part of the course, will also assist in developing appreciation and in teaching the concepts. This course is required for Cupertino freshmen.

BIOLOGY

323 **1 Credit**
Required In addition to studying the major theories in Biological Science (cell, inheritance, and evolution), students will study the variations in life, the complexity of life, and the relationships between life forms. Lab work will help introduce, explore, and reinforce concepts. This course is required for Anthony freshmen.

HONORS CHEMISTRY

331 **1 Credit**
Required Study of matter, its measurement, structure and reactions. Students will learn relevant vocabulary and problem solving techniques. A strong background in Algebra and powers or logs is vital for success. Topics include behavior of gases, atomic structure and its relationship to chemical properties, chemical bonding, solution chemistry, chemical kinetics, redox reactions, acids and bases and stoichiometry. Designed for advanced students and students planning college studies in science or engineering. This course is designed for Honors sophomores.

CHEMISTRY

332 **1 Credit**
Required Study of matter, its measurement, structure and reactions. Students

will learn relevant vocabulary and calculation techniques. A successful understanding of Algebra I is necessary. Topics will include acids and bases types of reactions, gas laws, atomic structure, bonding, and chemical properties. This course is required for Cupertino sophomores.

CHEMISTRY

333 **1 Credit**
Required This is an introductory course into the world of chemistry. Topics include investigations into structure and properties of matter, use of periodic table, bonding, the nature of matter in solution, and acids and bases types of reactions. People in chemistry, as well as topics in society and our world are also included. This course is intended for students not intending a science career, but who have an interest in chemistry. This course is required for Anthony sophomores.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PHYSICS I

341 **1 Credit**
Elective The recently revised AP program in physics begins with AP Physics I and the "Big Ideas" concept. Explore topics such as Newtonian Mechanics (including rotational motion); work, energy, and power; mechanical waves and sound; and introductory, simple circuits. Students taking AP Physics I are not expected to have any previous physics coursework and should have completed geometry, and be currently enrolled in Algebra II or an equivalent course. This course is designed for juniors and seniors in the Honors program. Teacher approval is required.

PHYSICS

352 **1 Credit**
Elective This course is the study of Newtonian mechanics; heat and sound; wave motion and light; electricity and magnetism; atomic and nuclear structure. Emphasis is on working with the basic concepts and elementary calculations using basic physics principles. This course emphasizes qualitative explanation of physical phenomena as well as basic algebraic manipulations of equations. Available to seniors and juniors, with Departmental approval. **Offered only fall of even years.**

ADVANCED PLACEMENT BIOLOGY

360 **1½ Credits**
Elective Advanced Placement Biology is a fast paced college level biology course for students who have demonstrated excellence in science. It is recommended for those students wishing to pursue college credit for their high school experience, and for those students who have a special interest in the

natural sciences. Topics are based on the AP Biology curriculum guidelines. This course is equivalent to a full year introductory college biology course. As a 1½ credit course, students will meet six hours every cycle. Successful completion of biology is required. Available to juniors and seniors. In addition to regularly scheduled class time, classes will also be held in the morning before school 2-3 times per week. Teacher approval is required.

FORENSIC SCIENCE

361 (Honors) 1 Credit

362 (Cupertino)

Elective This course focuses on the collection, identification, and analysis of crime scene evidence. Emphasis will be placed on the methods that link the suspect, victim and crime scene. A variety of laboratory exercises will be performed from various science disciplines. Case studies and current events will also be explored. (Available to juniors and seniors.) Teacher approval is required.

ANTHONY FORENSICS

363 1 Credit

Elective An introductory course on forensics focused on the collection, identification, and analysis of crime scene evidence. A variety of laboratory exercises will be performed from various science disciplines. Fingerprinting, blood spatter, ballistics, and glass analysis are the major topics of study. Available to Anthony juniors and seniors, with Teacher approval. **Offered only fall of even years.**

COLLEGE ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY

370 1 Credit

Elective Anatomy and Physiology is a one credit one year course in the construction and functioning of a human being. Anatomy and Physiology is designed to be the equivalent of a one semester college Anatomy course. All of us have a natural curiosity about our construction - our bodies. This course will allow students to address their curiosity through classroom work and a variety of laboratory explorations. Lab activities include dissection. Both the structural components of the body systems in a human will be emphasized along with the physiology, of our systems. Available to Honors juniors and seniors. (Prerequisites: successful completion of Biology and Teacher approval.) **Offered only fall of even years.**

HUMAN ANATOMY

372 1 Credit

Elective Human Anatomy is a one credit one year course in the construction and functioning of a human being. All of us have a natural curiosity about

our construction - our bodies. This course will allow students to address their curiosity through classroom work and a variety of laboratory explorations. Lab activities include dissection. The structural components, the anatomy, of the body systems in a human will be emphasized. Some functioning, the physiology of organs and systems, will also be covered. Available to Cupertino juniors and seniors. (Prerequisites: successful completion of Biology and Teacher approval.) **Offered only fall of odd years.**

CONCEPTS IN ANATOMY

373 1 Credit

Elective Introducing students to the structure of the body is the primary goal of this course. Students will learn the 11 organ systems. Physiology will not be covered in depth. Some comparisons to mammals other than humans will be done for interest. Lab activities may include some dissection. Available to junior and senior Anthony students. Teacher approval is required. **Offered only fall of odd years.**

ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

381 1 Credit

Elective AP Environmental Science provides students with the scientific principles, concepts, and methodologies required to successfully complete the AP exam in May. Study will include earth's natural systems; natural chemical and energy movement through the atmosphere, terrestrial, and aquatic environments; and the effect humans have on our planet. Guidelines from both the AP Environmental Science program and college Environmental Science courses are used to guide course content. Available to juniors and seniors. (Prerequisite: successful completion of Biology and Teacher approval.) **Offered only fall of odd years.**

INTRODUCTION TO ENGINEERING DESIGN

390 1 Credit

Elective Introduction to Engineering Design (IED) is a high school level foundation course in the PLTW Engineering Program. In IED students are introduced to the engineering profession and a common approach to the solution of engineering problems, an engineering design process. Utilizing the activity-project-problem-based (APB) teacher and learning pedagogy, students will progress from completing structured activities to solving open-ended projects and problems that require them to develop planning, documentation, communication, and other professional skills. Open to Cupertino and Honors sophomores. (Prerequisite: Department Chair approval.)

PRINCIPLES OF ENGINEERING (POE)

395 1 Credit

Elective Principles of Engineering (POE) is a foundation course of the high school engineering pathway. This survey course exposes students to some of the major concepts that they will encounter in a postsecondary engineering course of study. Students explore a broad range of engineering topics through activity-, project-, and problem-based (APB) learning, including mechanisms, the strength of materials and structures, automation, and kinematics. The course applies and concurrently develops secondary level knowledge and skills in mathematics, science, and technology. (Available to second year engineering students, with Department Chair approval.)

AEROSPACE ENGINEERING

396 1 Credit

Elective Students explore the fundamentals of flight in air and space as they bring the concepts to life by designing and testing components related to flight such as an airfoil, propulsion system, and a rocket. Students learn orbital mechanics concepts and apply these by creating models using industry-standard software. Students also apply aerospace concepts to alternative applications such as a wind turbine and parachute. Students simulate a progression of operations to explore a planet, including creating a map of the terrain with a model satellite and using the map to execute a mission using an autonomous robot. (Available to third year engineering students, with Department Chair approval.)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

HONORS HEALTH

814 ½ Credit

Required This course covers topics in mental and emotional health, managing stress, skills for healthy relationships with family and peers, resolving conflicts and preventing violence, nutrition, physical activity, personal health care, drugs, alcohol, and reproduction. This course includes Power Point lectures, chapter related activities, as well as class discussions.

HEALTH

815 (Cupertino) ½ Credit

816 (Anthony)

Required This course covers topics in mental and emotional health, managing stress, skills for healthy relationships with family and peers, resolving conflicts and preventing violence, nutrition, physical activity, personal

health care, drugs, alcohol, and reproduction. This course includes Power Point lectures, chapter related activities, as well as class discussions.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION I

822 ½ Credit

Required Students will receive instruction and participate in the following team sports: flag football, soccer, basketball, volleyball, team handball, lacrosse and softball. In addition, students will be introduced to basic weight training and life fitness activities in order to promote a healthier lifestyle.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION II

832 ½ Credit

Required Students will receive instruction and participate in the following team sports: flag football, soccer, basketball, volleyball, team handball, lacrosse and softball. In addition, students will be introduced to basic weight training and life fitness activities in order to promote a healthier lifestyle.

WEIGHT TRAINING & CONDITIONING

852 ½ Credit

Elective This course is designed for those interested in their own personal fitness. Use of the weight room, coupled with cardiovascular training will be emphasized. Available to juniors and seniors.

ATHLETIC TRAINING

861 (Honors) 1 Credit

862 (Cupertino)

Elective The course is designed to educate the students on prevention, care, treatment, and rehabilitation of athletic injuries. The student will be educated on the different careers in the field of sports medicine. The students will be introduced to the anatomy of the body as it pertains to athletic injuries. The course is conducted through Power Point lecture notes, classroom discussions, and labs. Each student must complete 10 hours of field service during the school year. Honors students must complete 30 volunteer hours outside of the classroom shadowing a medical professional of their choice. Available to juniors and seniors.

SOCIAL STUDIES

HONORS WORLD CIVILIZATION

211 **1 Credit**
Required A Freshman requirement, this course serves to establish a historical foundation for the student to be used in all future studies. Class instruction, along with individual and group research, will investigate the historical contributions of individuals, governments, and societies together with attitudes which have influenced the world from the Greek and Roman period to the present.

WORLD CIVILIZATION

212 (Cupertino) **1 Credit**
213 (Anthony)
Required A Freshman requirement, this course serves to establish a historical foundation for the student to be used in all future studies. Class instruction, along with individual and group research, will investigate the historical contributions of individuals, governments, and societies together with attitudes which have influenced the world from the Greek and Roman period to the present.

HONORS UNITED STATES HISTORY I (Colonization to 1865)

221 **1 Credit**
Required This course will examine the social, cultural, economic and political development of the United States beginning with Columbus's first contact with Native Americans in 1492 through the end of the American Civil War in 1865. The course will cover European colonization of North America, the factors that led to the American Revolution and the war itself, the creation of the Constitution, the evolution and forms of slavery in America; the development of sectionalism and the American Civil War. Throughout the course, students will study the foundations and principles of American Government and the Constitution, as well as the development of the legislative, executive, and judicial branches throughout this time period. The course will also trace the evolution of American domestic and foreign policy, the growth of the capitalist economic system and the expansion of voter participation through political parties.

UNITED STATES HISTORY I (Colonization to 1865)

222 (Cupertino) **1 Credit**
223 (Anthony)
Required This course will examine the social, cultural, economic and political development of the United

States beginning with Columbus's first contact with Native Americans in 1492 through the end of the American Civil War in 1865. The course will cover European colonization of North America, the factors that led to the American Revolution and the war itself, the creation of the Constitution, the evolution and forms of slavery in America; the development of sectionalism and the American Civil War. Throughout the course, students will study the foundations and principles of American Government and the Constitution, as well as the development of the legislative, executive, and judicial branches throughout this time period. The course will also trace the evolution of American domestic and foreign policy, the growth of the capitalist economic system and the expansion of voter participation through political parties. Available to sophomores.

AMERICAN MILITARY HISTORY

243 **1 Credit**
Elective This course will focus on the American Military from its early beginnings during the French and Indian War to its recent conflict in the Persian Gulf. The course will detail our country's official formation in the American Revolution and the great American tragedy of the 1800's, the American Civil War. The course will then concentrate on 20th Century warfare with an emphasis on World Wars I and II, The Korean War, Vietnam and finally, the Persian Gulf. Areas of focus will include the causes of each war, significant battles, commanding officers, use of weapons, and strategy and tactics, as well as economic and political effects of each conflict. Available to junior and senior Anthony students.

THE US PRESIDENCY

248 **½ Credit**
Elective This course will evaluate the Office of the U.S. President in role, person and power. Students will explore the roots of the position from its design by our founding fathers, to its evolution over the past few centuries. Careful attention will be paid to the role of the president today, and how the office influences domestic and international politics. Additionally, students will study individual presidents and how they have shaped the position and the country. Available to juniors and seniors.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

251 **1 Credit**
Elective AP United States Government and Politics will give students

an analytical perspective on government and politics in the United States. This course includes both the study of general concepts used to interpret U.S. government and politics and the analysis of specific examples. It also requires familiarity with the various institutions, groups, beliefs, and ideas that constitute U.S. government and politics. Students will become acquainted with the variety of theoretical perspectives and explanations for various behaviors and outcomes. A college level text is used and an extensive amount of reading is required outside of the classroom. Students will be expected to sit for the AP exam in May. Available to juniors and seniors with Department Chair approval.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT UNITED STATES HISTORY

261 **1 Credit**
Required This course is designed to provide one with the rich scholarship in American social, economic, political, cultural and intellectual history. The course is a college-paced course that will provide one with an in-depth and analytical study of the United States, from its earliest inhabitants and the discovery of the New World, through the beginnings of the twenty-first century. The course will emphasize the inner histories of people and how they contend and interact with one another in the drama that is American history. A college level text is used and an extensive amount of reading is required. Students are expected to sit for the AP Exam in May. Available to Honors and Cupertino juniors with Department approval.

UNITED STATES HISTORY II (1865 to the Present)

272 (Cupertino) **1 Credit**
273 (Anthony)
Required This course will examine the social, cultural, economic and political development of the United States from 1865 to the present. The course will examine the consequences of the Civil War and Reconstruction, the Gilded Age, Populism, Progressivism, the two World Wars, the Roaring Twenties, the Great Depression, the Cold War, the Civil Rights Era, and the post-Cold War world. The course will trace the development of the legislative, executive, and judicial branches throughout this time period, while focusing on key Supreme Court cases. The course will also examine the evolution of American domestic and foreign policy, compare various political and economic systems, and analyze the expansion of voter participation through key legislation and political parties. Available to juniors.

HONORS UNITED STATES HISTORY II (1865 to the Present)

275 **1 Credit**
Elective This course will examine the social, cultural, economic, and political development of the United States from 1865 to the present. The course will examine the consequences of the Civil War and Reconstruction, the Gilded Age, Populism, Progressivism, the two World Wars, the Roaring Twenties, the Great Depression, the Cold War, the Civil Rights Era, and the post-Cold War world. The course will trace the development of the legislative, executive, and judicial branches throughout this time period, while focusing on key Supreme Court cases. The course will also examine the evolution of American domestic and foreign policy, compare various political and economic systems and analyze the expansion of voter participation through key legislation and political parties. This course will use additional resources to supplement the text. Resources will be supplied by the course instructor to enrich the existing content.

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES

276 (Honors) **1 Credit**
277 (Cupertino)

Elective In African American Studies students will explore American history from the point of view of African Americans. The course will begin examining what is Black history and why historians consider African American history an essential part of American history. The first semester will focus on the social, economic, and political dynamics between Africans American and Europeans from the arrival of the first Africans to Jamestown in 1619 to the Civil War in 1861. The first semester will emphasize the societal norms and economic gains that contributed to the creation and legitimization of race through legislation. The second semester focuses on the same three dynamics (society, economic, and politics) with an additional layer in the form of the African American narrative as the byproduct of a newly acquired citizenship. The constant theme throughout the second semester will be on what Du Bois calls the "double consciousness" and its effect on the African American community. Students will examine these dynamics through a variety of sources including primary and secondary sources, novels, essays, auto biographs, biographs, film, music, and other mediums as necessary. At the conclusion of the course students will have an introductory knowledge of African American history, a greater appreciation for American history,

and a refined practice in historical research. African American Studies is a Junior/Senior Elective open to all students in the Cupertino or Honors programs. Anthony students are permitted with teacher and program coordinator approval to enroll in the Cupertino course.

GEOGRAPHY

292 **1 Credit Elective** This course is designed to show the relationship between History and Geography and how Geography influences historical as well as current world events. The course concerns itself mainly with aspects of human and physical geography but emphasizes map proficiency on world, national, state and municipal levels. Available to juniors and seniors.

TECHNOLOGY

TECHNOLOGY INTER-SHIP PROGRAM

790 **1 Credit Elective** Students will join a team which supports the school's technology program. Students will learn how to set up, configure and care for iPads, PC's, printers, copiers and more. This is a "learn by doing/hands on" program where students work with the Technology Director and Assistant Technology Director to support all of the devices in the school. During the school year, students meet regularly during the school cycle. One academic credit in Technology will be given for successful completion of the program. Available to sophomores, juniors and seniors with Technology Director approval.

PROGRAMMING USING

C++
791 **1 Credit Elective** This is an introductory computer programming course using C++. Students will learn structured programming as an effective tool for problem solving using Linux and Github. C++ is used as a vehicle for implementing computer based solutions to problems. This course will provide students with a conceptual background in computing and computer science. The course emphasizes programming methodology and procedural abstraction. Topics include: control statements, loops, functions, pointers, number systems, arrays, input/output, data types, classes, and sorting methods. This course will also serve as preparation for computer science majors and will be a substantial course for students who will major in other disciplines that require significant involvement in computing.

Available to juniors and seniors with teacher approval.

THEOLOGY

THEOLOGY I

011 (Honors) **1 Credit**

012 (Cupertino)

013 (Anthony)

Introduction to the Bible and Mystery of Jesus Christ

Required In the first semester, this course provides a introduction to the Sacred Scriptures and to the unfolding of salvation history, with a particular focus on Jesus Christ as the fulfillment of salvation history.

In the second semester, the students encounter Jesus Christ, the Second Person of the Trinity. This course leads the students toward a deeper understanding of Divine Revelation, the Trinity, the Incarnation, Jesus, salvation, and discipleship as a response to God's love.

THEOLOGY II

021 (Honors) **1 Credit**

022 (Cupertino)

023 (Anthony)

Introduction to the Mission of Jesus Christ and the Mystery of the Church

Required In the first semester, the students encounter how the goodness of creation, Original Sin, and the promise of a messiah are the starting points for this course, which explores our salvation through the Paschal Mystery (the suffering, death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ). The course also explores how the Paschal Mystery informs our daily lives, our prayer, and our participation in the life of the Church.

In the second semester, the students are introduced to the mystery of the Church. They will explore and grow in understanding of the Catholic Church, as well as its origin, structure, and mission. Additionally, the course addresses the roles of the hierarchy, those in religious life, and the laity in supporting the mission of the Church. Particular attention is paid to the global presence of the Church as a light to all people.

THEOLOGY III

031 (Honors) **1 Credit**

032 (Cupertino)

033 (Anthony)

Sacraments as Encounters with Jesus Christ and the Moral Life in Christ

Required In the first semester, the course provides students an opportunity to encounter Christ in a full and real way. The focus of this course is to help the students learn about the Seven Sacraments,

especially the Eucharist, in order to enable them to more fully participate in them. The course also explores the history, scriptural foundation, and current practices of the sacraments. In the second semester, this course addresses how a relationship with Christ and the Church can lead to choices that are in accord with God's plan in a world where students face countless choices and challenges in their daily lives. The students learn what it means to live as a disciple of Christ and how the Church strengthens this discipleship.

THEOLOGY IV

041 (Honors) **1 Credit**

042 (Cupertino)

043 (Anthony)

Comparative Religions and Vocations

Required The Senior Theology requirement will consist of two elements, divided by each semester. In the first semester, students will surey the manner in which the Catholic Church relates to non-Catholic Christians, as well as other religions of the world. This course is intended to help students recognize the similarities and differences in belief and practice of other faiths to the Catholic faith. The second semester will feature Christian Lifestyles and Vocations which teaches the students about who they are and their relationship to others. The subject matter presents to them the important aspects of discerning a vocation to be married, single, religious life, or ordained ministry. Each element of the Senior year shares in a unique role of preparing students for graduation and moving from high school in to the next stage of life.

JUNIOR CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP

044 **1 Credit**

Elective This course will attempt to form students as authentic Franciscan leaders and ministers, both currently in our Curley community, and in the future in one's community, parish and family. The first semester will analyze the Seven Sacraments of the Church, and discuss ways to fully live these encounters with Christ in one's own life, and encourage others to do the same. Special attention will be made in showing how Saint Francis encountered Christ, especially in the Eucharist. Students will brainstorm and execute innovative ways to animate the prayer and sacramental life at Curley. The second semester will analyze the moral teaching of the Church. Students will discuss how to concretely live as baptized Christians in the world, and confront challenges in daily life. Students will be trained in finding ways to call people to live as true disciples of Christ, and help those who have

fallen short of living their true identity as children of God. Special attention will be made to show how Saint Francis and Franciscan spirituality can be viewed as a radical living of the Christian life. This course will fulfill the junior religion requirement, and is available to Honors and Cupertino juniors. Anthony juniors may enroll in the Cupertino course with permission of the instructor and Program Coordinator.

SENIOR CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP

045 **1 Credit**

Elective This course will attempt to form students as authentic Franciscan leaders and ministers both currently in our Curley community, and in the future in one's community, parish and family. The first semester will analyze several enduring human and spiritual questions, and how the major world religions respond to these questions. The example of the encounter between Saint Francis and the Sultan will be shown as one key model in ecumenical dialogue. The students will be challenged to find ways to translate this collective knowledge from the world religions to a way easily accessible for their peers and community. The second semester will analyze the various vocations in the Church, and how to best discern one's place in the world and the Church. Students will be trained and challenged to integrate what they have discussed into their own lives, and how to help others to address key questions in their own lives. A focus will be made to show how one can take the Franciscan ideals received at Curley into whatever situation one will find themselves in their life after graduation. This course will fulfill the senior religion requirement, and is available to Honors and Cupertino seniors. Anthony seniors may enroll in the Cupertino course with permission of the instructor and Program Coordinator.

PHILOSOPHICAL ETHICS

053 **1 Credit**

Elective In this full-year course, the basic ethical systems in philosophy from Aristotle's Nicomachean Ethics to contemporary Virtue Ethics will be covered. In between, Natural Law ethics, especially under Thomas Aquinas, Immanuel Kant's deontological approach, and John Stuart Mill's Utilitarianism will also be covered. The basis of this course will be the reading and discussion of excerpts from these philosophers.

IMPORTANT NOTES for STUDENT REGISTRATION

- 1) If your course selection requires Teacher, Department Chair or Program Coordinator Approval, please obtain the required signature to complete the course selection.
- 2) Juniors and Seniors are asked to please rank their elective courses.
- 3) Review course selections with parents, record them on the Course Selection Worksheet.
- 4) Return Course Selection Worksheet to your Faculty Advisor.
- 5) Your Guidance Counselor will arrange an appointment with you to review your selections.
- 6) When you receive your Verification Form, be sure you are being scheduled for the courses you discussed with your counselor.
- 7) Return the Verification Form, signed by a parent, to your Faculty Advisor.
- 8) If you do not return a signed Verification Form, you will NOT receive a schedule when school opens next year!



MINIMUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Religious Studies.....	4.0 credits
English	4.0 credits
Mathematics.....	4.0 credits
Social Studies	3.0 credits
Natural Sciences	3.0 credits
Language/Reading.....	2.0 credits
Health.....	0.5 credit
Fine Arts	0.5 credit
Physical Education.....	1.0 credit
Electives.....	4.0 credits
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TOTAL	26.0 credits

THE STRATIFIED CURRICULUM

Each course at Archbishop Curley High School is assigned a particular level which reflects the level of difficulty of the course.

The Honors Courses are designed to be advanced and accelerated, requiring superior competence in addition to well-developed study skills. These are considered honors courses which require above average aptitude and a certain degree of independent reading and study.

The Cupertino Courses are college preparatory and developed for the student with average ability in the subject area. These courses present an intellectual challenge which require proper study habits and a satisfactory background in the learning skills of reading and writing.

The Anthony Courses focus on acquiring the skills needed in comprehending the subject matter. They are designed to aid the student with particular weaknesses in background skills.

NOTES

In order to graduate, a student must take all semester examinations, unless academically exempted, for courses taken at Archbishop Curley High School. Seniors may elect to take 6 credits.

The study of language is required for graduation. The courses which satisfy this requirement are as follows: Spanish I-IV, Italian I-IV, Latin I-IV, Reading Skills I & II. Once a student has begun the study of a foreign language, it is required that he will take the two year sequence of that language.

The Administration reserves the right to cancel or close any course due to enrollment or faculty unavailability.

Once a student chooses and is scheduled for a course, it is expected that he remain in that course unless the Administration deems a change necessary.