

# Course Selection

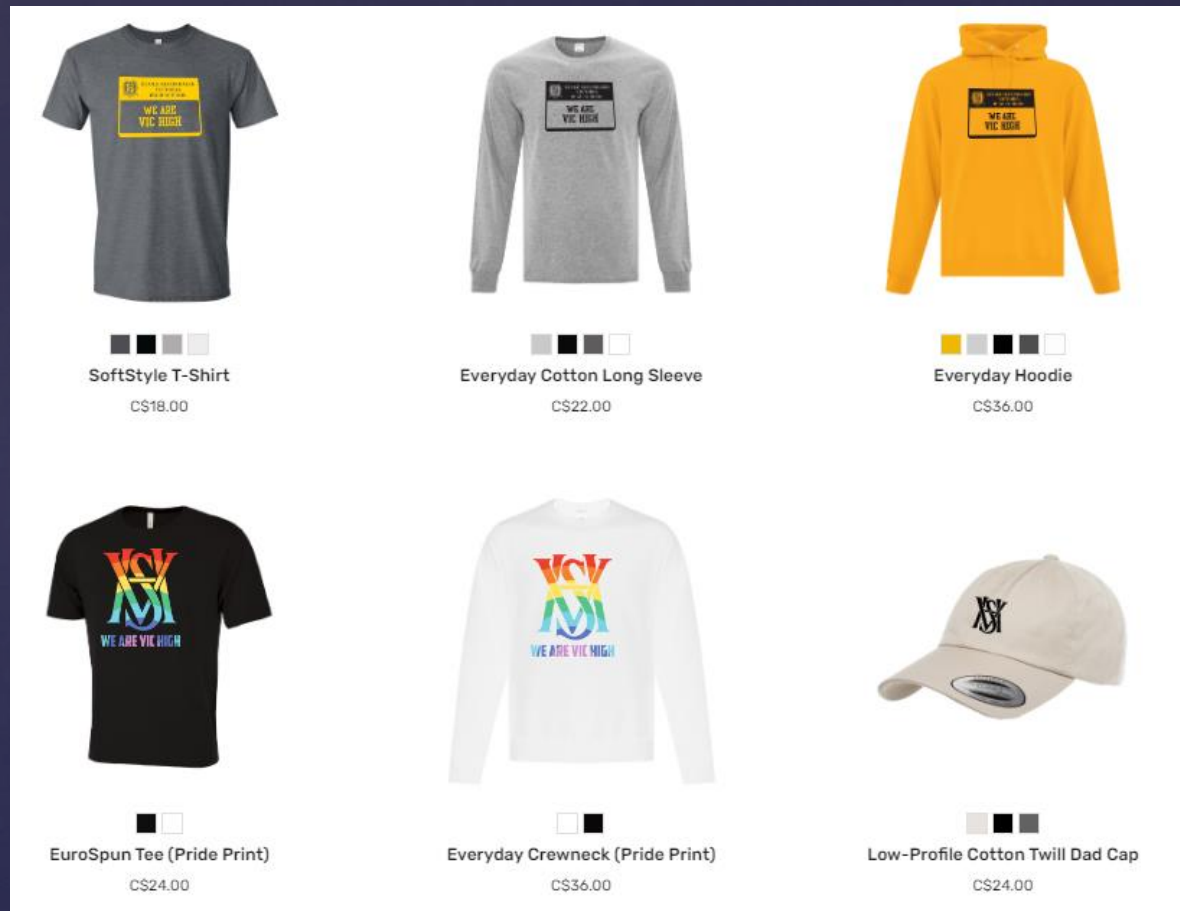


*Photo by Tony Sprackett*



The first slide shows our Grant Street Campus, which is currently undergoing seismic upgrading. Right now, we are enjoying the sunny, hillside location of our Topaz Campus. Remember, no matter which campus we are on, we are Vic High!

# VIC HIGH SPIRIT WEAR



**Check out new styles of Vic High Spirit Wear – see “Quick Links” on our website. Available until March 12.**

# Grade 12 Course Selection

## AGENDA

1. **TODAY:** Presentation on your options & time to ask Q's
2. *Electives Video* You've had the opportunity to view elective course options
3. Fill in your TENTATIVE choices today
4. Take sheet home to discuss with parents
5. Bring your completed form to Block A  
**Tuesday, February 23**



# Questions Today...

- ❖ We love Questions! 😊
- ❖ On Zoom, so please make a note of your questions and wait until the end of the presentation.
- ❖ Ask your teacher, who will enter the question into CHAT
- ❖ More Q's? Make an appointment with your school counsellor OR...
- ❖ Check with the teacher of the course or subject area

# Key Points to Consider

- 8 courses minimum – in the timetable
- Can *apply* for study blocks in September of Grade 12

## ***Course Selection***

- Confirmation sent home before Spring Break
- Adjustments can be made then- deadline sent with confirmation
- Final Timetable sent in June 2021

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

## GRADE 10

- English 10
- Socials 10
  - (OR Sciences Humaines 10 - FRIM)
- a Math 10
- Science 10
- Physical & Health Education 10
  - (OR Education Physique 10 - FRIM)
- (+ Français Langue 10 - FRIM students)

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

## GRADE 11

- a Language Arts 11
- Socials 12 (or **Sciences Humaines 11**)
- a Math 11
- Science 11 or 12
- Career Life Education (CLE or **ECC**)
- (+ **Langue et Culture de la Francophonie 11 (FRIM students)**)
- 1+ ADST/ AE elective 10, 11, or 12



# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

## GRADE 12

- English Studies 12
- + Francais Langue 12 (FRIM students)
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- Career Life Transitions & Capstone  
(or Liens avec la vie Personelle et Professionnelle)

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

## Credits

Required Courses: 52

Elective Courses: 28

Total: **80 credits** (=20 courses)  
minimum, including *at least*  
**16 Grade 12 credits** (4 courses)

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

## Credits

Students frequently graduate with more than the minimum 80 credits—some with 100, 120+

Your goals: Graduation vs. Post-secondary preparation vs. Scholarship...

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

## Assessments:

2022 Graduates must write:

- Numeracy 10 Assessment
- Literacy 10 Assessment
- Literacy 12 Assessment

*= Math & English skills!*



# Language Arts 12 Options

- English Studies 12
- English Studies 12 Honours
- English First Peoples 12

ALL 3 options are recognized  
equally by colleges and universities

# ELL Students

If English is NOT your first language, there may be language support classes that can be added to your schedule.

See your ELL support teacher (Ms. McTavish) in September.

If you know you'd like an ELL support block, simply request “**ELL Support**” as an Elective choice

# Social Studies 12 Options

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- *BC First Peoples 12*
- *Comparative Cultures 12*
- *Social Justice 12*
- *Law Studies 12*
- *Political Studies 12*
- *Human Geography 12*
- *20<sup>th</sup> Century World History 12*

*All these options satisfy the Socials 11/12 grad requirement*

# Social Studies 12 Options

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- Only 1 Socials 11/12 course is required for graduation
- Many students take **3 or more** – academic preparation for Social Sciences/ Humanities/ Arts programs
- Most of the Socials 11/12 courses qualify as “academic 12” courses for post-secondary programs – but do your research to be sure!



# Social Studies Electives

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- *Gender & Sexuality 12*
- *Criminology 12*

*These are high interest electives*

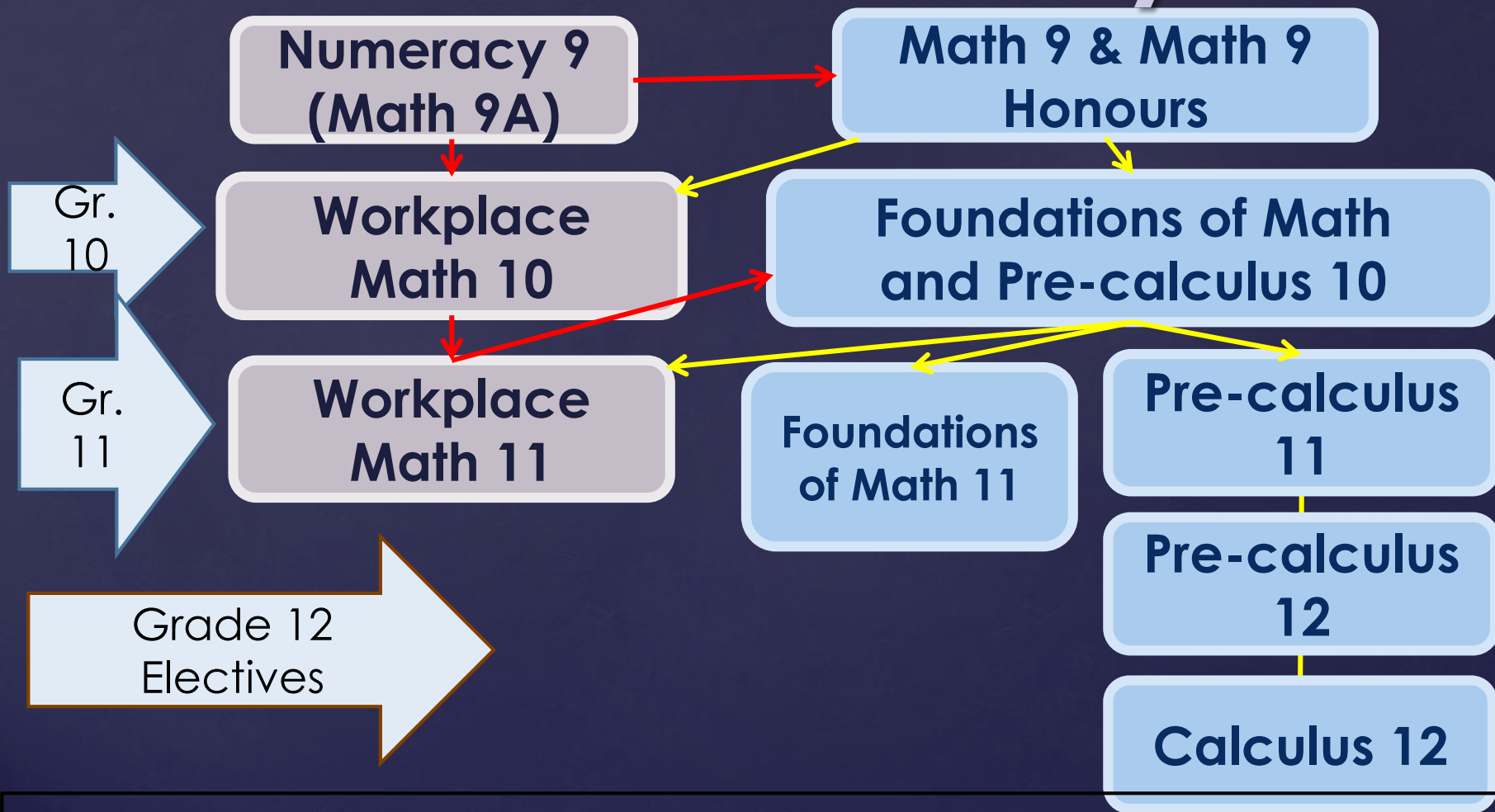
*They don't satisfy the Socials graduation requirement*

# Math 11 Options

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- *Workplace Math 11* (meets admission requirements - some college programs)
- *Foundations of Math 11* (meets admission requirements for many university programs)
- *Pre-calculus Math 11* (necessary for several university programs, such as Commerce, Math, Science, Engineering, Computer Science)
- *Do your research...*

# Math Pathways



Intended  
for study in:

Workforce & some  
College programs

Humanities  
Fine Arts  
Social Sciences

Sciences  
Engineering  
Commerce

# Check your Math 11

- a. Pre-calculus 11 (A or high B in FMP 10 recommended)
- b. Foundations of Math 11
- c. Workplace Math 11
- ✓ Check your teacher's recommendation



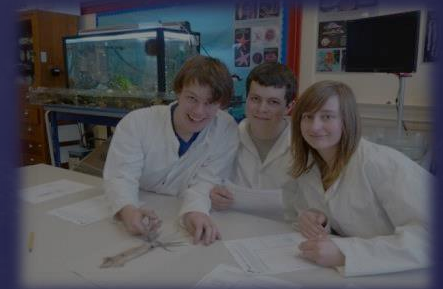
# Choosing Math 12

- ❖ Math 12 - NOT required for graduation
- ❖ It IS required for some post-secondary programs
- ❖ Calculus 12 - Universities don't usually require it but several programs recommend it
- ❖ Research your PSI & program carefully

# Science 11/12 Options

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- Chemistry 11 (A or B in Foundations-Pre-cal Math 10 strongly recommended)
- Chemistry 12 (Chem 11 required)
- Physics 11 (strong results in FMP 10 - required)
- Physics 12 (Phys 11 required)
- Life Sciences 11
- Earth Science 11
- Anatomy & Physiology 12



*These options all satisfy the Science Grad requirement*

# Science 11/12

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- 1 science 11/12 required for graduation
- Many students take **3 or more sciences**
- Several post-secondary programs require specific science courses
- Anatomy 12 may be taken without Life Sciences 11 - a grade 11 science is recommended
- Students often take a grade 11 & 12 science in the same year



# Science 11/12 Electives

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- *Astronomy 11*
- *Marine Biology 12*

*These are high interest electives*

*They don't satisfy the Science graduation requirement*

*They may support your application to a post-secondary sciences program*



# Electives

- Select 3 12 grade 12 electives + 3 more at any grade (or 4 if CLE completed)
  - FRIM students – select 2 grade 12 + 4 more
- Select 2 alternates
- Select 1 or more “Outside-the-timetable” elective(s) – in addition

# Choosing Electives

- In general, choose **gr. 11** **electives** unless you've already taken them
- Check pre-requisites for gr. 11/ 12 electives (on VHS website)
- Repeating a course: if you re-take the same course, same grade level, you only earn credits once.

# Outside the Timetable Electives

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*Courses offered in the morning/ lunch/ after school – don't take a block in the timetable*

- *Community Leadership*
- *Platform 61*
- *Musical Theatre*
- *Many Music options: Concert Band, Contemporary Music, Choir, Vocal Jazz, Jazz Band,*
- *Work Experience 12 (see Mr. Wheeler Ms. McDiarmid or Mrs. O'Hara)*
- *Outdoor Education*
- *Yearbook*
- *Theatre Production*

For More Info including  
Prerequisites:

Vic High website - Quick Links:  
“Course Selection Handbook”

[More info](#)

# District Career Programs

- **TASK:** Trades Exploration
- **Auto Tech:** During your Grade 12 Year
- **Aviation and Design:** During Grade 11/12
- **Graphic Design:** Summer Program
- **Tourism and Leadership:** Summer Program
- and others





# District Career Programs

FOR MORE INFO ....see...

Ms. O'Hara, Ms. McDiarmid or Mr.  
Wheeler in the Career Centre



# What is Dual Credit?

A chance to earn BOTH high school and post secondary credits

- ❑ –You become a Camosun/UVic student
- ❑ –You take a post-secondary course (tuition is covered) while a high school student
- ❑ You do pay for texts and student fees



# Dual Credit cont'd.



Some classes happen on-campus at UVic or Camosun

- Camosun – many offerings \*



- UVIC- uSTART–  
For current Grade 11 students

# DUAL CREDIT Law 12 at Vic High

Receive Credit for  
Law Studies 12 AND  
Criminal Justice 154 = 8 credits



❖ OPEN TO GRADE 12 STUDENTS ONLY

Co-taught by Mr. Wallace & a Camosun  
Criminology Instructor

## Dual Credit Options at Camosun

Earn BOTH high school and Camosun credits, while taking select courses/programs at Camosun. Some examples are:

- Trades
- Computer Tech
- Business Administration
- Legal Office Assistant
- Interactive Media Developer
- Indigenous Family Support Worker
- Health Care Assistant
- Professional Cook etc.





## Dual Credit Program Options at Camosun



- You become a Camosun student
- The district pays for the courses
- You pay for texts and student fees

See Mr. Wheeler, Mrs. O'Hara or Ms  
McDiarmid for more information

## Ustart at UVIC

- A an opportunity for highly academic students to take a university course at UVIC, while in Grade 12
- You earn university credit, AND high school credit
- The district pays the tuition, you pay the student fees & buy textbooks

See Mrs. O'Hara in the Career Centre for details.

# Post-Secondary Options

- 1. Graduation:** Complete all required courses & earn at least 16/80 credits  
(Gr. 12/total credits)
- 2. College Career Programs:** Wide variety of programs – some specific math and/or English requirements – do your research!

# Post-Secondary Options (cont'd.)

- 3. University Transfer Programs (UT):**  
college courses that may transfer to universities – English Studies 12 with minimum C+ (+ Math/ Science courses for some programs)

# Post-Secondary Options (cont'd.)

- 4. **University Entrance:** English 12 + three to five academic grade 12 courses (confirm with the university); sometimes a 2<sup>nd</sup> language to gr. 11
- ❖ Specific programs require specific Grade 11/12 Gr. 12 courses in area of intended study
- ❖ Minimum Grade for EN 12 – varies by university
- ❖ Do your research!



# *No reward without effort.*

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- 1) Have I included required courses?
- 2) Is this course good for my future?
- 3) Does this course complement/ challenge my skill set?
- 4) Am I prepared for this course? Do I have pre-requisites? What do I need to be successful?
- 5) Do I have a back up plan?

# Reminder

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- Complete your white form BEFORE Block A on Tues. Feb. 23
- Review your tentative choices
- In Block A on Tuesday (Feb. 23) you'll enter your choices onto an official form- turned in to main office at the end of homeroom
- Chance to review choices in March