



**WELCOME TO
MERCY HIGH
SCHOOL**

Freshman Course Registration

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- - Mercy's Graduation Requirements
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Mercy's Graduation Requirements

- English: 8 semesters/4 credits/4 years
- Social Studies: 6 semesters/3 credits/3 years
- Mathematics: 8 semesters/4 credits/4 years
- Science: 6 semesters/3 credits/3 years
- World Language: 4 semesters/2 credits/2 years
 - minimum of 2 consecutive years of the same language

Mercy's Graduation Requirements

- Religious Studies: 7 semesters/3.5 credits/3.5 years
- Visual, Performing and Applied Arts: 2 semesters/
1 credit/1 year
- iExplore: 1 semester/.5 credit
- Speech: 1 semester/.5 credit
- Physical Education/Swim: 1 semester/.5 credit
- Health: 1 semester/.5 credit
- Minimum 24 credits and 40 service hours

English

- **Required:** (full year)
 - English 9 Foundations
 - English 9
 - Honors English 9

- 10th Grade: (full year)
 - English 10 Composition **OR** Honors Composition
 - British Literature **OR** Honors British Literature

- 11th & 12th Grade: (full year)
 - a variety of semester courses to choose from

- Electives:
 - Yearbook Design/Production
 - Journalism/Advanced Journalism

Social Studies

- **Required:** World History (full year)
- 10th – American Government (semester)
- 11th – American History **or** AP American History (full year)
- 11th or 12th – Economics (semester)
- 11th & 12th – a variety of semester electives and AP course options

Mathematics

- Students placed at their correct level from placement exam taken in the spring.

Regular Sequences			Honors Sequences	
Concepts of Algebra I	Algebra I	Geometry	Honors Algebra I	Honors Geometry
Applied Geometry	Geometry	Algebra II	Honors Geometry	Honors Algebra II Trig
Concepts of Algebra II	Algebra II	Pre-Calculus	Honors Algebra II Trig	Honors Pre-Calculus
Senior Math – Probability & ‘Statistics, College Algebra	Pre-Calculus	Calculus or AP Calculus	Honors Pre-Calculus	AP Calculus or Calculus

Required for all Freshman

**One Semester of
Speech
and
*i*Explore**

Religious Studies

- 9th- Introductory Theology (1 semester)
- 10th- Christian Morality & The Bible (2 semesters)
- 11th & 12th - a variety of semester electives (4 semesters)
- 7 semesters required

World Languages

French 1	Spanish 1	Latin 1
French 2 **	Spanish 2 **	Latin 2
French 3 **	Spanish 3 **	Latin 3 **
AP French	Spanish 4	AP Latin
	AP Spanish	

(**) Denotes Honors available

Required: 2 years of the same language

Recommended: 4 years of a language

Science

- Science is optional freshman year
- 9th Grade options:
 - Biology
 - Honors Biology
- Recommended for students with strong study skills

Science (cont.)

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Biology or Honors Biology	Biology or Honors Biology		
	Chem Com, Chemistry or Honors Chemistry	Chem Com, Chemistry, or Honors Chemistry AP Chemistry	Practical Physics Physics AP Physics
	Practical Physics	Practical Physics Physics AP Physics	Anatomy & Physiology
		Anatomy & Physiology	Microbiology
		Microbiology	AP Biology
		AP Biology	AP Chemistry

Art

Mercy offers a variety of Art choices:

● Drawing 1	● Intermediate Drawing
● Ceramics 1	● Intermediate Ceramics
● Jewelry 1	● Photography
● Film & Animation	● Digital Graphics
● Sculpture	● Fibers
● Painting I	

Performing Arts

- Music Program: (semester or full-year)
 - Glee & Advanced Glee
 - Mercyaire Honors Choir (10th-12th grade)
 - Orchestra / Advanced Orchestra

- Theater Program (semester courses)
 - Acting I
 - Acting II, Oral Interpretation, Actor's Workshop, Set Design
 - Theater Production, Broadcasting, Directing, Video Production

Physical Education

Two Options

- Option 1: one semester Swim/PE:
Swim/Physical Education

OR

Fitness Swim/Physical Education

- Option 2: one semester of each:
1 semester of Physical Education
1 semester of Swim

ALL Sophomores take 1 semester of Health

Computer/ Business Technology

- Mercy offers a variety of business courses for grades 10-12
- Accounting 1
- Entrepreneurship, Marketing and Media
- AP Computer Science Principles
- Life Skills and Personal Finance

Sample Freshman Schedule

1 st Semester	2 nd Semester
English 9	English 9
World History	World History
Math	Math
Speech	Intro to Theology
<i>i</i> Explore	Elective
World Language	World Language
Biology or Elective or Unscheduled hour	Biology or Elective or Unscheduled hour

Registration Information

- Students choose a minimum of six classes and a maximum of seven classes per semester

Please bring the
New Student Registration Sheet
(blue form)
to your registration appointment

**We are so excited
that you are here...**

**Your daughter is on her way
to becoming a
woman who will make a
difference in the world!**