

# Course Credit Graduation Requirements 2016-17

Students must earn a minimum of 28 credits, which includes the minimum requirements for each subject area, as listed below.

- English – 4
- Social Studies – 4
- Math – 4
- Science – 3
- Religion – 4
- Art/Music – 1
- Health – ½
- Computers – ½
- Physical Education – 2 (½ credit per year)
- Foreign Language – 2 for Regents diploma;  
3 for Advanced Regents diploma

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## Diploma Requirements

In addition to meeting the course credit requirements listed above, graduation requirements also include passing specified New York State Regents exams. Each student will earn one of the following diplomas, as described below:

### Regents Diploma

Student must pass the following Regents exams:

- 1 Science
- Algebra Common Core
- Global Studies
- English Common Core
- US History

### Regents Diploma with Honors

Student must have an average of 90 or above on these Regents exams.

### Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation

Student must pass the exams required for the Regents Diploma, plus the following additional Regents exams:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Science – one science must be Physical Setting (Earth Science, Chemistry, or Physics) and one must be Living Science (Living Environment)
- Geometry and Algebra II / Trigonometry
- Students must also pass three years of Foreign Language

### Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation with Honors

Student must have an average of 90 or above on the exams required for the Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation.

### Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation Mastery in Math

Student must score 85 or above on the math exams required for the Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation.

### Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation Mastery in Science

Student must score 85 or above on the science exams required for the Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation.

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## Service-Hour Requirements

This is just a reminder for all parents and students that the Religion Department of St. Mary's High School has a service-hour requirement for all students.

- Freshmen need a total of **10** hours (5 per semester).
- Sophomores need a total of **20** hours (10 per semester).
- Juniors need **30** hours (15 per semester).\*
- Seniors need **40** hours (20 per semester).\*

Students are encouraged to employ their God-given gifts and talents to serve at various levels in the spirit of St. Francis. Students will demonstrate an understanding of their Christian identity by making a commitment to meaningful service with a preferential option for the poor and those in need.

Those who have questions should contact the Campus Minister.

*\* For Juniors and Seniors, at least half of their Service Hours must be for an organization other than St. Mary's High School.*