

Scout from the University of California

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UC offers free online classes to high schools bracing for coronavirus shutdown

Santa Clara – California public high schools bracing for shutdowns due to coronavirus can use free A-G approved online courses provided by Scout from the University of California. UC Scout offers 65 online courses including 26 AP College Board-approved courses. UC Scout charges a small fee for non-public schools and schools outside of California.

Schools wishing to use UC Scout's "Plus" program provide their own teachers, who can use the entire course or pick-and-choose what parts of the pre-existing UC Scout-provided online curriculum they want to use. The teacher and student are connected online through a learning-management

platform that UC Scout hosts. Each course consists of pre-existing highquality video lectures, assignments, quizzes, tests, and more.

UC Scout provides other options in addition to "Plus."UC Scout's "On Demand" option is offered at a fee, but includes a UC Scout teacher, and UC Scout supplies the grade, oversight, and transcript. Students in "On Demand" can work at their own pace, independent of their classmates.

Founded in 1999, UC Scout is a California state-funded Student Academic Preparation and Education Partnership program.

During the 2018-19 academic year, UC Scout had more than 10,000 enrollments consisting of more than 5,000 students from 712 various schools. Ninety-five percent of UC Scout's students live in California.

Districts, schools, students, and parents interested in learning more can visit <u>ucscout.org</u>.

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