

2021 RAI Core Course List

Admission of freshmen to the Iowa Regent universities is based on the Regent Admission Index (RAI) formula described below. In addition, applicants must meet the minimum high school course requirements for the university they wish to enter.

- (3 x ACT composite score)
- + (30 x high school GPA)
- + (5 x number of years of high school core courses)

Regent Admission Index Score

Note: For purposes of calculating the RAI, SAT scores will be converted to ACT composite equivalents, 4.00 is the top value for GPA, and the number of high school core courses completed is expressed in terms of years or fractions of years (e.g., one semester equals 0.5 year). Applicants who do not possess all required factors will be evaluated on an individual basis by the Regent universities to which they apply.

Freshman applicants who achieve at least a 245 RAI score and who meet the minimum number of high school courses required by the Regent universities will qualify for automatic admission to any of the three Regent universities. Freshman applicants who achieve less than a 245 RAI score may also be admitted to a specific Regent university; however, each Regent university will review these applications on an individual basis and the admission decision will be specific to each institution.

VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL-WDSM, WEST DES MOINES, CORE COURSES APPROVED FOR RAI

Source: 2020-2021 SRI Winter data. (Note: course numbers in parentheses refer to community college course numbers.)

English	Yrs*	Math	Yrs*	Science	Yrs*	Social Studies	Yrs*	World Languages	Yrs*	Computer Science	Yrs*
Adv Composition	0.5	Algebra 1	1	Adv Biology	1	AP European History [HIS112]	0.5	AP Chinese Lang & Cultures	0.5	AP Computer Science	0.5
Adv Contemp Lit	0.5	Algebra 2	1	AP Biology [BIO112]	0.5	AP European History [HIS113]	0.5	AP French	1	AP Computer Science A	0.5
Adv World Literature	0.5	Algebra 2 Trigonometry	1	AP Biology [BIO113]	0.5	AP Human Geography	1	AP Latin	1	AP Computer Sci A [CIS451]	0.5
American Heritage	0.5	AP Calculus AB	0.5	AP Env Sci [ENV115]	0.5	AP Macroeconomics	0.5	AP Spanish Lang [FLS241]	0.5	AP Computer Sci Principles	0.5
AP Lang & Comp 1 [ENG105]	0.5	AP Calculus AB [MAT211]	0.5	AP Env Sci [ENV116]	0.5	AP Psychology	0.5	AP Spanish Lang [FLS242]	0.5	AP Computer Sci Principles [CIS450]	0.5
AP Lang & Comp 2 [ENG106]	0.5	AP Calculus BC	0.5	AP Physics	1	AP U.S. Govt & Politics [POL111]	0.5	French 1	1		
AP Lit & Comp [LIT101]	0.5	AP Calculus BC [MAT217]	0.5	Astronomy	0.5	AP U.S. History [HIS150]	0.5	French 2	0.5		
AP Lit & Comp [LIT185]	0.5	AP Statistics	0.5	Biology	1	AP U.S. History [HIS153]	0.5	French 3	0.5		
Creative Writing 1	0.5	AP Statistics [MAT157]	0.5	Chemistry	1	AP World History: Modern [GLS200]	0.5	French 4	1		
Creative Writing [ENG221]	0.5	Geometry	1	General Inorganic Chemistry I [CHM165]	0.5	AP World History: Modern [GLS220]	0.5	German 1	1		
Debate 1/Public Speaking	1	Pre-Calculus	0.5	General Inorganic Chemistry II [CHM175]	0.5	Criminology [CRJ200]	0.5	German 2	1		
Debate 2	1	Pre-Calculus [MAT129]	0.5	Geology	1	Current Issues	0.5	German 3	1		
Debate 3	1	Statistics	0.5	Human Anat & Phys	1	Economics	0.5	Intermediate German I [FLG241]	0.5		
Debate 4	1	Trigonometry	0.5	Organic Chemistry	0.5	Geographic Cultural Studies	1	Intermediate German II [FLG242]	0.5		
Dramatic Literature	0.5			Physical Science, General	1	Government	0.5	Latin 1	0.5		
Early American Literature	0.5			Physics	1	Juvenile Delinquency [CRJ201]	0.5	Latin 2	1		
Film As Literature	0.5			PLTW - Principles of Engrg [EGT410]	0.5	Psychology	0.5	Latin 3	1		
Fund of Oral Comm [SPC101]	0.5			Principles of Engineering	0.5	Sociology	0.5	Latin 4	1		
Fundamentals of Writing	0.5					U.S. History	1	Mandarin Chinese 1	0.5		

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Fund of Writing Lab	0.5					World Civilization	1	Mandarin Chinese 1	1		
GenderRace & Cultures in Lit	0.5							Mandarin Chinese 2	1		
Intermediate Writing	0.5							Mandarin Chinese 3	1		
Journalism 1	0.5							Mandarin Chinese 4	1		
Language & Literature	1							Spanish 1	1		
Lit & Comp	0.5							Spanish 2	1		
Modern American Lit	0.5							Spanish 3	1		
Science Fiction & Fantasy	0.5							Spanish 4	1		
Self, Society, and Lit	0.5										
Shakespeare	0.5										
Speech Communications	0.5										
Speech/Composition	1										
Total English		Total Math		Total Science		Total Social Studies		Total World Languages		Total Computer Science	

**The numbers in this column should be multiplied by 5 to determine the number of RAI points awarded for the course.*

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