

## CHOATE ROSEMARY HALL

# COURSE REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

## THIRD FORM (FRESHMAN/9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE)

### COMPLETING YOUR COURSE AND ATHLETICS REQUEST FORM

Before beginning the Course and Athletics Request Form please have the 2022-2023 *Course Catalogue* available.

It is highly recommended that you complete this Form in one sitting. Once you submit the Form, you will no longer be able to make changes online. If you wish to make any changes after you submit the Form, please email those changes to the Registrar's Office at registrar@choate.edu.

**Note:** If you are entering as a repeat third former, you may be eligible for additional course offerings if diploma requirements and prerequisite courses have been met. Please reach out to the Registrar's Office if you have questions pertaining to your previous coursework and eligibility for courses not listed on this Form.

### ATHLETICS AND AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES

All third formers must participate in an athletic or afternoon activity each term. You are urged to consider signing up for an interscholastic sport (in **BOLD** below) at some point during your first year at Choate. Philosophically, Choate is committed to the notion that every student should have the experience of representing the School in interscholastic competition by "wearing the Blue and Gold." Moreover, such participation helps your academic and social transition to the community.

Referring to the list below, please select the activities you would like to participate in each term and indicate your choices on the Course and Athletics Request Form. If you would like to know more about the various teams, intramural, or interscholastic offerings, you are encouraged to call the Athletic Office at (203) 697-2418.

### ATHLETICS AND AFTERNOON ACTIVITY OFFERINGS 2022-2023

FALL	WINTER	SPRING
Community Service*	<b>Archery</b>	<b>Baseball</b>
Crew - Intramural	<b>Basketball</b>	Community Service*
<b>Cross Country</b>	Basketball – Intramural	<b>Crew</b>
Cross Country – Intramural	Community Service*	Dance
Dance	Dance	Farming & Gardening
Dance Intensive	Dance Intensive	Frisbee Golf
Farming & Gardening	<b>Diving</b>	<b>Golf</b>
<b>Field Hockey</b>	Fitness Rowing	Hiking
<b>Football</b>	<b>Hockey</b>	<b>Lacrosse</b>
Frisbee Golf	Hockey – Intramural	Off-Campus Project*
Hiking	Off-Campus Project*	<b>Sailing</b>
Jiu-Jitsu	<b>Squash</b>	<b>Softball</b>
Kayaking	Strength Training (Girls)	Spring Running
Line Crew/Football	<b>Swimming</b>	Squash – Intramural
Pickleball	Theater Production – Fringe Festival*	Strength Training (Girls)
Ping Pong	Theater Production – Main Stage*	Swimming – Intramural
Self Defense (Girls)	Tech Theater – Costumes & Props	<b>Tennis</b>
<b>Soccer</b>	Tech Theater – Lights & Sound	Theater Production – Main Stage*
Squash - Intramural	Weight Training	Tech Theater – Costumes & Props
Strength Training (Girls)	Winter Running	Tech Theater – Lights & Sound
Swimming – Intramural	<b>Wrestling</b>	<b>Track &amp; Field</b>
Tennis – Intramural	Yoga (6:30 a.m.)	Track & Field – Intramural
Theater Production – Gelb*		<b>Ultimate Frisbee</b>
Theater Production – Main Stage*		<b>Volleyball (Boys)</b>
Tech Theater – Costumes & Props		<b>Water Polo (Girls)</b>
Tech Theater – Lights & Sound		Yoga (6:30 a.m.)
<b>Volleyball (Girls)</b>		
<b>Water Polo (Boys)</b>		
Yoga (6:30 a.m.)		

### Notes(\*):

- Community Service – open to all students one term per academic year.
- Off-Campus Project – open to fourth, fifth, and sixth formers, and third formers in the winter and spring, with the permission of the department one term per academic year.
- Theater Productions – open to all students by audition only. Auditions are held for the fall production during the first week of classes; auditions for the winter and spring productions occur during the preceding term.

## ENSEMBLES

Dance and Music Ensembles meet in the evening after the academic day and are not considered part of the core five-course academic curriculum. Year-long participation is required for all ensembles. Participation in either Chamber Chorus or Symphony Orchestra earns one academic credit per term and the grades are included in a student's GPA. All other ensembles earn one academic credit per year, with the grades not included in a student's GPA.

If you are interested in participating in one or more of our ensembles, please complete the "Ensembles" section on the Form by selecting all that you are interested in joining. Auditions are required for vocal and instrumental music ensembles, except for Festival Chorus. These auditions occur during the first week of classes; information about sign-ups will be available when you arrive on campus.

**Note:** Participation in a year-long ensemble will fulfill the third form arts requirement.

## COURSE LOAD

Choate utilizes a trimester system, which allows students the opportunity to gain a strong academic foundation in year-long courses in English, mathematics and computer science, language, history, and science, while adding variety and breadth to their program with term electives. All students are required to take five academic courses each term, but we recognize that there are some students who are capable of carrying six courses. You may request a sixth course in the winter and/or spring term(s). If you plan to request two courses within one discipline, particularly two languages, you should discuss this with the Registrar's Office during the spring or early summer.

**Note:** Your form dean will give final approval for any sixth course after the school year has begun and we know you better as a student.

### COURSE #1. ENGLISH (FULL YEAR)

There is no need to select anything on the Form, as all third formers take Introduction to Literature (EN100). A description of this course can be found on page 31 in the 2022-2023 Course Catalogue.

### COURSE #2. LANGUAGE (FULL YEAR)

Choate offers five diploma languages – Arabic, Chinese, French, Latin, and Spanish. Students are required to complete three consecutive years of study (through the 300 or 350 level) in a diploma language and are strongly recommended to continue a language through the fourth year. Students who have taken prior language courses in a non-diploma language have not fulfilled the Choate diploma requirement. Students who have completed their diploma requirement may also request one-year intensive courses in Greek and Italian. Language course descriptions begin on page 50 in the 2022-2023 Course Catalogue.

On the Form, select your language choice (Arabic, Chinese, French, Latin, or Spanish) and the level you **anticipate** taking (level 1 through level 5). **If you have no prior experience in your chosen language**, select "Level 1" and do not complete the placement test. Students planning to continue in a language must complete the appropriate placement test available on the Student Portal by **May 31**.

**Note:** A student must have permission from the department head to take two languages concurrently.

### COURSE #3. MATHEMATICS (FULL YEAR)

Choate requires that all students take Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II, but nearly all students entering as third formers continue beyond the requirement and take mathematics through their sixth form year. A matriculating student's placement in math is determined based on a review of previous coursework, teacher recommendation, and the Mathematics Placement Test. Mathematics course descriptions begin on page 64 in the 2022-2023 Course Catalogue.

On the Form, enter the mathematics course name and number that you **anticipate** taking. Please complete the appropriate Mathematics Placement Test available on the Student Portal by **May 31**.

### COURSE #4. SCIENCE (FULL YEAR)

The Science Department recommends that students take physics, chemistry, and biology, in this order. However, only two years of science are required – one year of physical science (physics or chemistry) with an integrated lab experience and one year of biology with an integrated lab experience.

You will be placed into one of three physics courses – Physics: Mechanics to Waves (PH200), Physics: Waves to Mechanics (PH203), or Physics, Honors (PH250HO) – based on your math placement results.

If you have already completed a lab-based physics course while in high school, you may elect to take chemistry and should indicate this on the Form. (This selection is reviewed by the science department head.) If you have completed a full year of a lab-based physics, chemistry, or biology course while in high school, you may receive credit for it once your official transcript has been reviewed. Science course descriptions begin on page 72 in the 2022-2023 Course Catalogue.

## IMPORTANT: REVIEW THIS INFORMATION BEFORE SELECTING THE FIFTH COURSE OR SIXTH COURSE

Before selecting your electives, please take a moment to review some of the requirements you will need to fulfill before earning a Choate diploma. A summary of the diploma requirements can be found on page 89 in the *2022-2023 Course Catalogue*.

### Arts Requirement

All students must complete three terms of Arts (one in the third form year, one in either the fourth or fifth form year, and one in the sixth form year) from two areas: Dance, Music, Theater, or Visual Arts. See pages 21-30 in the *2022-2023 Course Catalogue* for Arts course descriptions.

**Note:** Participation in a year-long ensemble will fulfill the third form arts requirement.

### Contemporary Global Studies Requirement

All students who enter as third formers must fulfill the one-term Contemporary Global Studies requirement at some point during their Choate career. Many students choose to complete this requirement by taking either Contemporary Issues (HI205) or Global Scientific Issues (ES220) in their first year. For a student who chooses to wait, a complete listing of the courses that fulfill this requirement can be found on page 10 in the *2022-2023 Course Catalogue*.

### Philosophy/Religion Requirement

All students who enter as third formers must fulfill the one-term Philosophy/Religion requirement at some point during their Choate career. Many students choose to complete this requirement by taking either World Religions (RL200) or Peace and Justice (RL210) in their first year. For a student who chooses to wait, course descriptions that fulfill this requirement can be found on page 44 in the *2022-2023 Course Catalogue*.

## COURSE #5. FIFTH COURSE(S)

At this point, you will need to select your fifth course for each term in order to complete your schedule.

**Arts Electives:** Below is a list of available arts electives to fulfill your one-term third form arts requirement. On the Form, enter the Arts course name and number next to the corresponding term the course meets. Next, enter a second-choice Arts course name and number where indicated on the Form and check the appropriate box for the term the course meets.

#### FALL TERM OFFERINGS

DA300 – Dance Composition  
MU125 – Music Fundamentals  
MU210 – Renaissance and Baroque Eras  
MU300 – History of Jazz  
TA100 – Acting I  
TA110 – Stagecraft I  
VA210 – Drawing I  
VA215 – Mixed Media I  
VA240 – Metals/Jewelry I  
VA280 – Ceramics: Wheel Throwing I  
VA295 – Digital Photography I  
VA310 – Digital Filmmaking I  
VA370 – Digital Media Design I

#### WINTER TERM OFFERINGS

DA220 – Dance History  
MU125 – Music Fundamentals  
MU260 – The Age of Enlightenment  
TA100 – Acting I  
TA110 – Stagecraft I  
TA320 – Intro to Theater History  
VA210 – Drawing I  
VA215 – Mixed Media I  
VA240 – Metals/Jewelry I  
VA280 – Ceramics: Wheel Throwing I  
VA295 – Digital Photography I  
VA310 – Digital Filmmaking I

#### SPRING TERM OFFERINGS

MU270 – The Romantic Era  
MU280 – Music of the 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> Centuries  
MU310 – Music of the 1960s  
TA100 – Acting I  
TA108 – Fundamentals of Theater Design  
VA210 – Drawing I  
VA240 – Metals/Jewelry I  
VA280 – Ceramics: Wheel Throwing I  
VA285 – Ceramics: Sculpture I  
VA295 – Digital Photography I  
VA370 – Digital Media Design I

**Term Electives:** After indicating your Arts course on the Form, please select courses for the other two terms. Refer to the section below for a listing of available electives. Enter your two elective choices (course name and number) next to the appropriate term that corresponds with each course. Courses that fulfill a diploma requirement are marked with an asterisk (\*).

**Note:** If you are interested in exploring courses that are not listed below, but are available in the *2022-2023 Course Catalogue*, please contact the Registrar's Office.

#### FALL TERM OFFERINGS

CS200 – Introduction to Programming  
CS300 – Introduction to Robotics  
ES220\* – Global Scientific Issues  
ES310 – The Dynamic Earth  
HI205\* – Contemporary Issues  
MD400 – Public Speaking  
PH320 – Astronomy: The Solar System  
PH330 – Astronomy: Stars and Galaxies  
RL200\* – World Religions  
RL210\* – Peace and Justice

#### WINTER TERM OFFERINGS

CS200 – Introduction to Programming  
ES220\* – Global Scientific Issues  
ES330 – The Earth's Landscapes  
HI205\* – Contemporary Issues  
MD400 – Public Speaking  
PH320 – Astronomy: The Solar System  
PH330 – Astronomy: Stars and Galaxies  
RL200\* – World Religions  
RL210\* – Peace and Justice

#### SPRING TERM OFFERINGS

AS230 – Reverse Engineering  
CS200 – Introduction to Programming  
CS300 – Introduction to Robotics  
EN501 – Introduction to Creative Writing  
ES220\* – Global Scientific Issues  
ES320 – The Earth's Materials  
HI205\* – Contemporary Issues  
MD400 – Public Speaking  
PH330 – Astronomy: Stars and Galaxies  
RL200\* – World Religions  
RL210\* – Peace and Justice

**COURSE #6. SIXTH COURSE(S) (NOT REQUIRED)**

You may request a sixth course in either the winter and/or spring term(s). Refer to the section above and the 2022-2023 *Course Catalogue* for elective choices. If you choose to take a sixth course, enter the sixth course name and number on the Form next to the corresponding term the course meets. If you choose to take an arts course, enter a second-choice arts course on the Form and check the appropriate box for the term the course meets.

**Note:** *Your form dean will give final approval for a sixth course after the school year has begun and we know you better as a student.*

Before you submit, please review the Form for completeness. **Once you submit the Form, you will no longer be able to make any changes online.** If you wish to make any changes after you submit the Form, please email those changes to the Registrar's Office.

If you have any questions about completing the Form, please contact the Registrar's Office by email: registrar@choate.edu or phone (203) 697-2250.