



DA VINCI EXTENSION

A 13th year university transfer and career pathway program



OVERVIEW

Da Vinci Extension (DVX) is a 13th year university transfer and career pathway program for current Da Vinci students who wish to stay at Da Vinci an extra year beyond 12th grade to complete their freshman general education college coursework while gaining on-the-job work experience through paid and unpaid internships in the community -- all at no cost to families.

At DVX, students take general education college courses with a cohort of Da Vinci students in a blended format (some online and some classroom time) two evenings per week at Da Vinci through UCLA Extension, while completing internships during the day. In addition, students have access to tutoring, advising, teacher/professor office hours, and two internships (one non-profit and one for-profit).

All earned credit will apply toward a bachelor's degree at the UC or CSU systems.

Why DVX?

- Students can earn up to one year of transferable college credit(s) at Da Vinci for free.
- Students have access to a rigorous college education and Da Vinci's real-world, project-based curriculum, while gaining on-the-job work experience in high-demand jobs through paid and unpaid internships.
- Students form 1-on-1 mentoring relationships with industry professionals to discuss career development and personal growth.
- Students have access to tutoring, advising, and teacher/professor support while moving through the program with a group of students who share a common bond and are taught by committed Da Vinci teachers who students know well.
- Students have easy access to high-demand general ed courses that are frequently overenrolled in local community colleges.

Transferring is a Smooth Process

To make transferring to a 2-year college or 4-year university as seamless as possible, Da Vinci partner school (UCLA Extension) has a clear articulation agreement for students planning to transfer to the UC and CSU systems. Earned credits transfer to UC and CSU campuses and other 2-year and 4-year accredited institutions according to the discretion of the receiving institution.

Admission Requirements

- Prospective students must be current 12th graders at Da Vinci Design or Da Vinci Science and be in good standing.
- Students will be required to "opt in" to the DVX program and will commit to a specialized program of advanced study for their 13th year. They will not receive their high school diploma until completion (or withdrawal from) the DVX program. *Note: Students enrolled in the program will be permitted to "walk" in the graduation ceremony in June of their senior year. A diploma will be given at the conclusion of the DVX program.*

Program Application

Please complete the 2016-2017 DVX Application by March 2 for priority consideration. To apply to the program, follow the steps listed below. You must complete the full application package.

1. Complete the DVX Application Form, legibly printed or typed.
2. Ask a Da Vinci staff member to complete a Recommendation Form. Be sure to write your name in the space indicated on the form before giving it to your reference. The staff member will submit the completed form to the front office.
3. Return the completed application to the Da Vinci Design or Da Vinci Science front office by the priority application deadline of March 2 @ 4:15pm.
4. All accepted candidates and families must meet with DVX staff by appointment.

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