

Academic overview

The take-away messages

The curriculum is challenging.

Your student can do it.

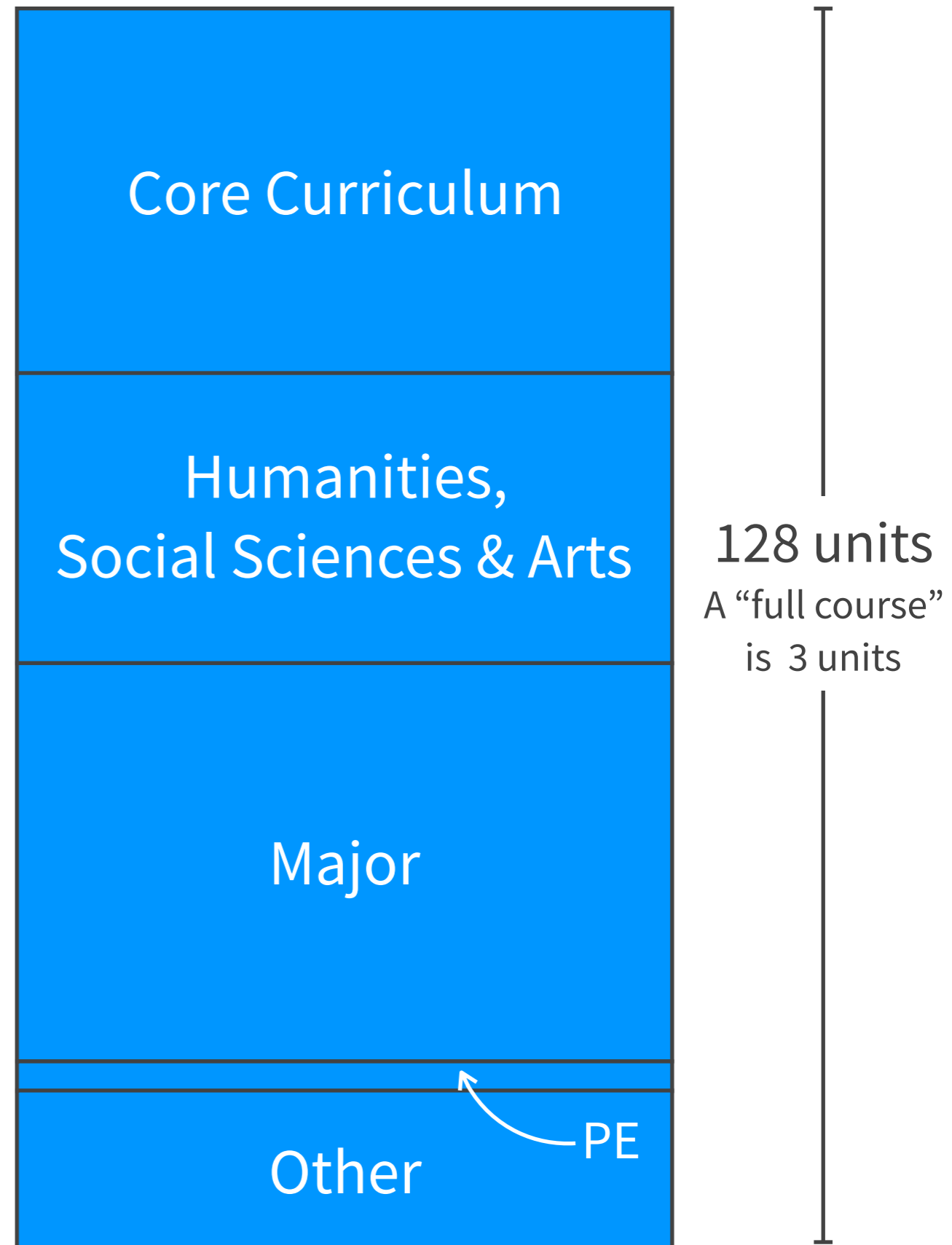
There is a *lot* of support.

We are here for the students, and we love working here.

Our mission informs our academics

Our Mission

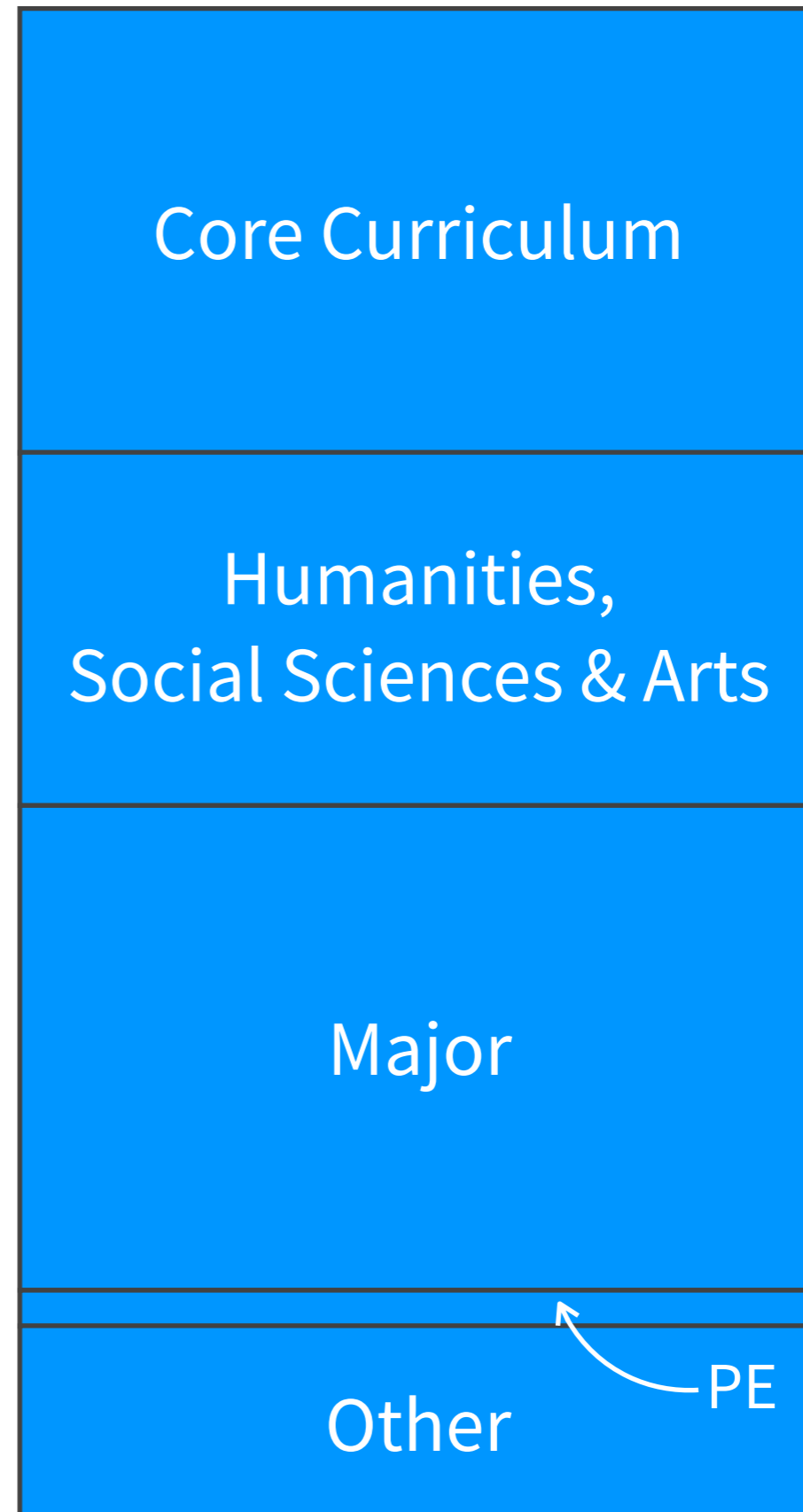
Harvey Mudd College seeks to educate engineers, scientists, and mathematicians well versed in all of these areas and in the humanities and the social sciences so that they may assume leadership in their fields with a clear understanding of the impact of their work on society.



Support for a challenging curriculum

Dean Lori Bassman
Academic Affairs
Peer Academic Liaisons
Teaching Assistants
Writing Center
Scheduled office hours
Open-door environment
You

HP / P / NC
Academic
Excellence



First-year
advisor

HSA
advisor

Major
advisor

How you can support your student

Make sure conversations are not primary about grades (if at all).

Encourage them to use support at Mudd.

For emergencies: Campus Safety—**909.607.2000**

For pressing concerns: DSA—**909.621.8125**

For general advice: remind about dorm support (proctors, mentors, PALs) and academic support (office hours, academic excellence, writing center)

Doing poorly in a course or two is common for successful students.

Help with perspective.

“Below the average” at HMC is still extraordinary.

Generally, we do not expect or want anyone do to it on their own.

Core curriculum: topics

Math

Physics

Chemistry

Biology

Computer Science

Critical Inquiry (HSA)

Engineering

Writing

Core curriculum: distribution of topics

Math

Physics

Chemistry

Biology

Computer Science

Critical Inquiry (HSA)

Engineering

Writing

First-semester courses + sample schedule

Chemistry

Computer Science

Lab (Biology or Chemistry)

Math (x 2)

Physics

Writing

Optional music lessons

Optional PE

Optional elective

(e.g., language, first-year elective)

	Sun 9	Mon 10	Tue 11	Wed 12	Thu 13	Fri 14	Sat 15
all-day		Physics / Writing due Computer Science...	Math due	Physics due Chemistry due	Lab due	Math due	
6 AM							
7 AM							
8 AM		Writing (1st half) / P...	Computer Science	Writing (1st half) / P...	Computer Science	Writing (1st half)	
9 AM		Foreign language		Foreign language			
10 AM		Chemistry	Foreign language	Chemistry	Foreign language	Chemistry	
11 AM			Math		Math		
Noon							
1 PM							
2 PM					1:15 PM Biology Lab		
3 PM			2:45 PM Computer Science lab				
4 PM							
5 PM							

Future core courses

2nd semester

Biology

Chemistry

Critical Inquiry

Lab (Biology or Chemistry)

Math (x 2)

Physics

Elective

2nd year

Engineering

Lab (Physics)

Math (x 2)

Physics

Elective

HSA

PE

Take-away

It will be challenging.

They can do it.

This is a group effort.

Office hours

Academic Excellence (tutoring)

HP / P / NC

Dean Bassman

Open-door environment

Academic affairs

Peers

PALs

Advisors

You

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