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.

128 units

A “full course” is 3 units
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

Core Curriculum

Humanities, Social Sciences & Arts

Major

Other

First-year advisor
HSA advisor
Major advisor

Open-door environment

Peer Academic Liaisons
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.
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First-semster 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)
## Future core courses

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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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