

HISTORY/SOCIAL SCIENCE

“A” Requirement: Two years to include United States and World History, required for UC/CSU.

55050 Advanced Placement Human Geography

UC/CSU Approved Course. Meets A- History/Social Science or G-Elective requirement.

Grades: 9 Credits: 10 (year-long course and weighted) UC/CSU: (fulfills A or G requirement)

Prerequisite: Grade of B or higher in previous social science course taken.

The Advanced Placement course in geography gives students the opportunity to earn college credit in geography while still in high school. More importantly, the content of an AP Human Geography course helps students develop critical thinking skills through the understanding, application, and analysis of the fundamental concepts of geography. Through AP Human Geography, students are introduced to the systematic study of patterns and processes that have shaped human understanding, use, and alteration of the Earth’s surface. Students will employ spatial concepts and landscape analysis to analyze human social organization and its environmental consequences. Students will meet the five college-level goals as determined by the National Geographic Standards. They also learn the methods and tools geographers use in their science and practice. Student is required to take the AP Exam in May.

55100 World History

UC/CSU approved course. Meets History/Social Science Requirement.

Grade: 10-12 Credits: 10 (year-long course) UC/CSU: (fulfills A requirement) Prerequisites:

None

This class is required. The purpose of this course is to familiarize students with key events and trends in modern history. Specific issues, which show that the modern world has become interdependent, are taught in this class, such as the rise of democratic values, Imperialism and Nationalism, World War I, Totalitarianism, World War II and Problems of the Modern World.

55150 Advanced Placement World History

UC/CSU approved course. Meets History/Social Science and G- Elective Requirements.

Grade:10-12 Credits: 10 (year-long course and weighted) UC/CSU: (fulfills A requirement)

Prerequisites: Grade of B or higher in English I or current GPA of 3.0 or higher

This course examines World History from a global perspective. It covers the time period from 8,000 BCE to the present. Critical thinking and the analytical and writing skills necessary in a college level history course will be emphasized. Students will learn to understand the overarching themes of history, write change and comparative essays, and use primary source material to generate responses to document-based questions (DBQ). Student is required to take the AP Exam in May.

55200 United States History

UC/CSU approved course. Meets History/Social Science Requirement.

Grade: 11-12 Credits: 10 (year-long course) UC/CSU: (fulfills A requirement) Prerequisites: None

This course meets graduation requirements. This course will offer the student both a general background to 20th Century American history and a more focused exposure to some of the key themes of 20th Century American history. The emphasis will be on providing the student with the stimulus and knowledge to interpret the important questions of America's past, present and future.

55225 United States History & Natural Resource /Habitat Mgmt. (SEA Pathway) UC/CSU approved course. Meets History/Social Science Requirement.

Grade: 11 Credits: 10 (year-long course) UC/CSU: (fulfills A requirement) Prerequisites: None

Note: Student must also be concurrently enrolled in Power of Language and Natural Resource and Habitat Mgmt. courses.

This course integrates U.S. History with Natural Resource and Habitat Management in the Sustainable Environmental and Agricultural Career Pathway. Using historical events (e.g. Civil War, Great Depression), students make connections between the evolution of sustainable resource and habitat practices and the development of thought and government in the U.S. The purpose of U.S. History and Natural Resource and Habitat Management is to analyze the significant periods of U.S. history while building and establishing a foundation of practical knowledge in Natural Resource and Habitat Management.

55250 Advanced Placement United States History

UC/CSU approved course. Meets History/Social Science and G-Electives Requirement.

Grade: 11-12 Credits: 10 (year-long course and weighted) UC/CSU: (fulfills A requirement) Prerequisites: C or higher in AP World History or B or higher in World History

This course meets graduation requirements. Colleges and universities use the results of this examination to determine whether or not the student will receive credit for U.S. History at their institution. The course teaches the foundations of American history. This is a two-semester course, plus work done during the summer. Emphasis will be on developing college-level skills in research, analysis, seminar discussions and essay writing.

55300 Economics

UC/CSU approved course. Meets G-Elective Requirement.

Grade: 11-12 Credits: 5 (one semester taken with Government) UC/CSU: (fulfills G requirement) Prerequisites: None

This is a required class. This course will cover the fundamental principles of macro- and micro-economics, practical application of the principles, the historical development of economic theory, and comparative analysis of various economic systems around the world.

55350 Advanced Placement Micro-Economics

UC/CSU approved course. Meets G-Elective Requirement.

Grade: 11-12 Credits: 5 (one semester taken with Government and weighted) UC/CSU: (fulfills G requirement) Prerequisites: Grade of B or higher in United States History.

This is a required course for graduation. This course is designed to prepare students to successfully pass the Advanced Placement College Board Examination in Micro Economics. Students who pass this exam may receive college credit. Student is required to take the AP Exam in May.

55400 United States Government

UC/CSU approved course. Meets History/Social Science and G-Elective Requirement.

Grade: 11-12 Credits: 5 (one semester taken with Economics) UC/CSU: (fulfills A or G requirement) Prerequisites: None

This is a required course for graduation. This is a senior course that will deal with the philosophy, structure and application of the American political system. It will include examination of the constitution and its key principles, political behavior, structure of government (national, state and local), the electoral process and an overview of the Bill of Rights.

55450 Advanced Placement Government and

Political Science UC/CSU approved course. Meets History/Social Science and G-Elective Requirements.

Grade: 11-12 Credits: 5 (one semester taken with Economics and weighted) UC/CSU: (fulfills A or G requirement) Prerequisites: Grade of B or higher in United States History or a grade of C or higher in AP United States History.

American government and politics is designed to give students a critical perspective on politics and government in the U.S. This course involves both the study of general concepts used to interpret American politics and the analysis of specific case studies. It also requires familiarity with the various institutions, groups, beliefs, and ideas that make up the American political reality. Student is required to take the AP Exam in May.

55500 Psychology

UC/CSU approved course. Meets G- Elective Requirement.

Grades: 11-12 Credits: 10 (year-long course) UC/CSU: (fulfills G requirement) Prerequisites: None

This course is designed to introduce students to psychological concepts. The class will feature exploration of: personality inventory, psychological research/ethics, family/social dynamics, psychological disorders/therapies and gender issues and sensation and perception. Students will be graded in part on participation.

55550 Advanced Placement Psychology

UC/CSU approved course. Meets G- Elective Requirement.

Grades: 11-12 Credits: 10 (year-long course and weighted) UC/CSU: (fulfills G requirement)

Prerequisites: Grade B or higher in English I and World History

This course will prepare students for the spring AP Psychology test. A scientific basis of Psychology, cognitive/behavioral processes, as well as individual and developmental differences will be explored. AP test-taking procedures and tips will also be covered. Although no prior coursework is required, students who have already taken Psychology can receive additional elective credits, in that this class is significantly different from the regular Psychology class. Student is required to take the AP test in May for which they can receive university credit.