

SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT AP/AICE COURSE OFFERINGS

TITLE: ADVANCED PLACEMENT HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

LEVEL: Accelerated GRADE 9-12 CREDIT: 1 TYPE: AS, E

PREREQUISITE: Demonstrates ability and teacher recommendation.

SPECIAL NOTE: Students are required to take the standardized Advanced Placement exam.

DESCRIPTION: The purpose of this course is to enable students to develop higher levels of concepts and skills related to Human Geography. The content should include, but not be limited to, the following: regions; population studies; cultural concepts and spatial representation; political geography; land use; urbanization; issues related to space, place, and scale; economic geography and the cause and effect of human migration. This course is designed to prepare students to pass the AP Human Geography exam.

TITLE: ADVANCED PLACEMENT WORLD HISTORY

LEVEL: Accelerated GRADE: 10-12 CREDIT: 1 TYPE: R, AS, C

PREREQUISITE: Demonstrates ability and teacher recommendation.

SPECIAL NOTE: Students are required to take the standardized Advanced Placement exam.

DESCRIPTION: This college-level course offers a balanced coverage of the past thousand years of world history with a focus on Africa, Asia, Europe, and the Americas. Students use a thematic approach to study the impact of societal interaction; the relationship of change and continuity; the impact of technology; demographics; systems of social and gender structure; cultural and intellectual developments; and changing roles of states.

TITLE: ADVANCED PLACEMENT AMERICAN HISTORY

LEVEL: Accelerated GRADE: 11 CREDIT: 1 TYPE: R, AS, C

PREREQUISITE: Demonstrates ability and teacher recommendation.

SPECIAL NOTE: Students are required to take the standardized Advanced Placement exam.

DESCRIPTION: This course provides students with the opportunity to develop the analytic skills and factual knowledge necessary to deal critically with the problems, content, and materials of American historic development. This is done by focusing on persistent themes and change in history and by applying historical reasoning to seek solutions to contemporary problems. Appropriate concepts and skills, such as learning to assess historical materials, are developed in connection with the content. The content includes, but is not limited to, that determined by the Advanced Placement Program.

TITLE: ADVANCED PLACEMENT MACROECONOMICS

LEVEL: Accelerated GRADE: 12 CREDIT: 1/2 TYPE: R, AS, C

SPECIAL NOTE: Students are required to take the standardized Advanced Placement exam. This course will satisfy the Palm Beach County graduation requirement for economics.

PREREQUISITE: Demonstrate ability and teacher recommendation.

DESCRIPTION: The purpose of advanced macroeconomics is to provide students with the opportunity to analyze the functioning of the economy as a whole, including total output

and income, level of employment, the level of prices, and the determinants of aggregate supply and demand. Specific content to be covered will include, but is not limited to, an understanding of fundamental economic concepts including scarcity, opportunity costs and trade-offs, productivity, economic systems and institutions, and exchange, money and interdependence. The analysis of macroeconomics concepts includes gross national product, aggregate supply and demand, unemployment, inflation and deflation, monetary policy, fiscal policy, and international economics.

TITLE: ADVANCED PLACEMENT GOVERNMENT

LEVEL: Accelerated GRADE: 12 CREDIT: 1/2 TYPE: R, AS, C

PREREQUISITE: Demonstrates ability and teacher recommendation.

SPECIAL NOTE: Students are required to take the standardized Advanced Placement exam.

DESCRIPTION: This course provides students with the opportunity to acquire a critical perspective of government and politics in the United States. This is done by analyzing both the general and specific aspects of American government. The content includes but is not limited to, a study of federalism, the role of political parties and interest groups, formal and informal governmental structures and institutions, the nature of public opinion, and the evolution of civil liberties and civil rights.

TITLE: ADVANCED PLACEMENT PSYCHOLOGY

LEVEL: Accelerated GRADE: 10-12 CREDIT: 1 TYPE: AS, E

PREREQUISITE: Demonstrates ability and teacher recommendation.

SPECIAL NOTE: Students are required to take the standardized Advanced Placement exam.

DESCRIPTION: Advanced Placement Psychology introduces students to the systematic and scientific study of the behavior and mental processes of human beings and other animals. Students are exposed to the psychological facts, principles and phenomena associated with each of the major sub fields within psychology. Topics explored include the research methods, biological basis of behavior, learning, sensation, perception, motivation, emotion, intelligence, development, and social psychology. It is the equivalent to the introductory college course.

TITLE: AICE SOCIOLOGY A LEVEL

CATEGORY: ARTS & HUMANITIES/GROUP C

LEVEL: Accelerated GRADE: 10-12 CREDIT: 1 TYPE: AS, E

PREREQUISITE: Demonstrates ability and teacher recommendation.

SPECIAL NOTE: Students are required to take the standardized AICE exams at the end of the course.

DESCRIPTION: In a rapidly changing world, **Sociology** offers students the opportunity not only to explore the processes that are shaping current trends, but also to develop an understanding of the complexity and diversity of human societies and their continuities with the past. The study of sociology stimulates awareness of contemporary social, cultural and political issues, and focuses on the importance of examining these issues in a rigorous, reasoned and analytical way.