



ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE 6630
ARTS / HUMANITIES CREDIT – HIGH SCHOOL

Responsible: Department of Curriculum and Instruction

PURPOSE

In order to graduate from high school, students must earn a minimum of one (1) credit in the Arts/Humanities/Career & Technical Education. This administrative procedure shall define the ways in which a student may earn the necessary Arts/Humanities credit.

PROCEDURE

1. Courses in the Washoe County School District Master Course File which meet the ARTS/HUMANITIES requirement are assigned an "AR" designation in the Course File. The following should be noted:
 - a. Some courses are listed more than once with each course number giving that course a different designation – for example Creative Writing may be offered as an English course (1325/1326 which meets an Arts/Humanities requirement after four (4) English credits have been earned), an Arts/Humanities course (1323/1324), or an elective course (1327/1328), depending on the course number chosen.
 - b. World Language courses meet the Arts/Humanities requirement beginning in the third year of the same world language (levels 5-6 and above). Third, fourth, and fifth year online WL classes are also accepted.
 - c. After meeting the World History/World Geography requirement, a student may earn Arts/Humanities credit for taking the other course.
 - d. MOST courses in the 6000 series meet the Arts/Humanities credit.
 - e. MOST courses in the 10000 series meet the Arts/Humanities credit.
2. As per NAC 389.452 (revised February 2012) Arts and Humanities (NRS 385.080, 389.0185) the required course of study in arts and humanities may be one of the following:
 - a. Visual Arts
 - b. Music
 - c. Theater
 - d. Foreign Language, as set forth in NAC 389.570, in the third, fourth, and fifth years of instruction.
 - e. Other courses which are submitted to and approved by the state board of education.

DESIRED OUTCOMES

1. This Administrative Procedure is designed to provide clarity and consistency as to which courses count towards meeting the graduation requirements for Arts/Humanities credit.

IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES & ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

1. This Administrative Procedure reflects the goals of the District's Strategic Plan.
2. This Administrative Procedure aligns with Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 389, Examinations, Courses, Standards and Graduation, and specifically:
 - a. NAC 389.452 Arts and humanities
 - b. NAC 389.570 Foreign language: Fourth year

REVIEW AND REPORTING

1. This procedure and any accompanying documents will be reviewed annually.

REVISION HISTORY

Date	Revision	Modification
02/01/2012	1.0	Adopted as Accepted Practice
12/05/2013	2.0	Revised: converted to Administrative Procedure