

V. COURSE DESCRIPTIONS - LOTE

LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH (LOTE)



Fifth level of foreign language classes will be available based upon student demand. Students are encouraged to enroll in community college or 4-year college at this level. Students may receive dual credit upon proof of completion.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE I

Course Number: 7600BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: None

This course introduces communication skills in American Sign Language, including both receptive and expressive signing, as well as interactive communication. This course also explores the history of the language and the culture of deaf people.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE II

Course Number: 7610BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: American Sign Language I

The communication skills acquired in Level I are extended to include distinguishing between variations in signs and non-manual communication. A more in-depth study of deaf culture will be explored. Students will be provided opportunities to express and receive signed information in a variety of situations.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE III

Course Number: 7620BB

Placement: 10-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: American Sign Language II

This course is conducted in ASL and emphasizes sign fluency. It offers further study of vocabulary, grammar, as well as deaf history and culture. Expressive and receptive skills will be developed. Non-manual markers and the use of classifiers will be stressed.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE IV

Course Number: 7630BB

Placement: 10-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: American Sign Language III

This advanced level course, conducted in ASL, furthers study of ASL poetry and literature as well as deaf history, culture and community. Students will also be afforded opportunities to further their sign fluency and will be encouraged to become involved in the local deaf community. Students will also explore professions which utilize ASL skills along with laws and rights related to Americans with disabilities.

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(TCC) SGNL 1401 BEGINNING AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE I

Course Number: 0760

Placement: 10-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: 80+ GPA & TSI Assessment

Introduction to American Sign Language covering finger spelling, vocabulary and basic sentence structure in preparing individuals to interpret oral speech for the hearing impaired. This course will be offered at BBIA only. It is recommended that students have some high school experience with ASL prior to dual credit enrollment. This is not a requirement. **The reading TSI Assessment must be passed before students will be allowed to enroll in TCC classes. (MISD requirement only)**

(TCC) SGNL 1402 BEGINNING AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE II

Course Number: 0761

Placement: 10-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: 80+ overall GPA & TSI Assessment

Introduction to American Sign Language covering finger spelling, vocabulary and basic sentence structure in preparing individuals to interpret oral speech for the hearing impaired. This course will be offered at BBIA only. **The reading TSI Assessment must be passed before students will be allowed to enroll in TCC classes. (MISD requirement only)**

(TCC) SGNL 2301 INTERMEDIATE SIGN LANGUAGE I

Course Number: 0762

Placement: 11-12

Credit: 1

Prerequisite: 80+ overall GPA & TSI Assessment

Review and application of conversational skills in American Sign Language interpreting from signing to voice as well as from voice to signing. Introduction to American Sign Language literature and folklore. This course will be offered at BBIA only. **The reading TSI Assessment must be passed before students will be allowed to enroll in TCC classes. (MISD requirement only)**

(TCC) SGNL 2302 INTERMEDIATE SIGN LANGUAGE II

Course: 0763

Placement: 11-12

Credit: 1

Prerequisite: 80 + overall GPA & TSI Assessment

Review and application of conversational skills in American Sign Language interpreting from signing to voice as well as from voice to signing. Introduction to American Sign Language literature and folklore. This course will be offered at BBIA only. **The reading TSI Assessment must be passed before students will be allowed to enroll in TCC classes. (MISD requirement only)**

CHINESE I

Course Number: 7500BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: None

Chinese I is an introduction to the Chinese world, its language and its people. The main emphasis is on oral skills while developing reading and writing skills. The student will be guided in recognizing the interrelationships of language and will develop a cultural appreciation of the Chinese world. The focus of the course is on novice proficiency.

CHINESE II

Course Number: 7510BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Chinese I

Chinese II continues to develop the oral skills with added emphasis on reading and writing skills. The focus is on the development of mid-to high-novice proficiency. Expansion of vocabulary and grammatical structures continues. Contrast between English and Chinese will strengthen the language learning process. Culturally related activities of selected Chinese speaking countries or regions will be explored.

PRE-ADVANCED PLACEMENT CHINESE II

Course Number: 7513BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Chinese I

Chinese II continues to develop the oral skills with added emphasis on reading and writing skills. The focus is on the development of mid-to high-novice proficiency. Expansion of vocabulary and grammatical structures continues. Contrast between English and Chinese will strengthen the language learning process. Culturally related activities of selected Chinese speaking countries or regions will be explored.

PRE-ADVANCED PLACEMENT CHINESE III

Course Number: 7523BB

Placement: 10-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Chinese II or Pre-AP Chinese II

Chinese III continues to develop the oral and writing skills with added emphasis on reading. The focus is on the development of novice mid-to intermediate-low proficiency in speaking with increased emphasis on Advanced Placement exam preparation. Expansion of vocabulary and grammatical structures continues. Culturally-related activities of selected Chinese regions will be explored.

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ADVANCED PLACEMENT CHINESE IV

Course Number: 7530BB

Placement: 10-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Pre-AP Chinese III

AP Chinese IV prepares students to demonstrate intermediate proficiency across the full range of language skills within a cultural frame of reference. The course will develop reading proficiency of authentic texts, fiction and non-fiction, listening proficiency of formal and colloquial authentic language, and writing proficiency in descriptive, expository, and persuasive styles. This course utilizes critical thinking, reading, and writing skills. The goal of this course is to prepare students to take the AP Chinese Language and Culture exam. This course is conducted predominately in Chinese.

FRENCH I

Course Number: 7000

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: None

In this course, students begin conversational French as they learn to interact with peers and adults in French, exchange information in French, express opinions and feelings, and persuade peers and adults in French. Students also study cultural history, contemporary attitudes of the Francophone world, and the geography of Paris and France.

FRENCH II

Course Number: 7010

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: French I

This course continues the study of the language and culture with an emphasis on communicating in French. Students also study cultural history, contemporary attitudes of the Francophone world, and the geography of France.

PRE-ADVANCED PLACEMENT FRENCH II

Course Number: 7013

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: French I

This course studies in more depth the language and culture with an emphasis on communicating in French. Students also study cultural history, contemporary attitudes of the Francophone world, and the geography of France. Contemporary French films may be used as a tool to study authentic use of the language and as examples of the cultures of the Francophone world.

PRE-ADVANCED PLACEMENT FRENCH III

Course Number: 7023

Placement: 10-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: French II or Pre-AP French II

This honors course expands students' development in speaking, listening, writing, and reading, especially in everyday situations. Literary selections are included for study of language and culture. The class uses contemporary French films as tools to study authentic language and as examples of the cultures of the Francophone world.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT FRENCH IV

Course Number: 7033

Placement: 10-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Pre-AP French III

This course studies the development of personal expression in everyday situations with a focus on reading, writing, and language. Students will be prepared to take the AP French Language exam.

GERMAN I

Course Number: 7100BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: None

This course introduces the basics of conversational German and exposes the student to the culture, heritage, and people of Germany. Students will learn how to socialize, get and give information, express feelings, and persuade others.

GERMAN II

Course Number: 7110BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: German I

This course continues the study of the German language and culture with emphasis on speaking and communicating.

PRE-ADVANCED PLACEMENT GERMAN II

Course Number: 7113BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: German I

This course continues the study of basic German, concentrating on listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. The focus for this honors class will be on real world projects.

PRE-ADVANCED PLACEMENT GERMAN III

Course Number: 7123BB

Placement: 10-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: German II or Pre-AP German II

This honors course is a continuation of the development of reading, writing, listening and speaking skills begun in German I and II. Geography, culture and functioning in everyday situations will be stressed. Students will begin to prepare for the AP test.

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ADVANCED PLACEMENT GERMAN IV

Course Number: 7140BB

Placement: 10-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Pre-AP German III

This course is a continuation of the development of reading, writing, listening and speaking skills begun in German I and II. Advanced grammar and literature will be stressed. Students will be prepared to take the AP German Language test.

JAPANESE I

Course Number: 7700BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: None

This course introduces the basics of conversational Japanese and exposes the student to the culture, heritage, and people of Japan. Students will learn how to socialize, get and give information, express feelings, and persuade others.

JAPANESE II

Course Number: 7710BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Japanese I

Japanese II further develops the skills introduced in Japanese I. Emphasis is on oral and written communication skills. Expansion of vocabulary and grammatical structures continues. Katakana letters and Chinese characters are introduced.

PRE-ADVANCED PLACEMENT JAPANESE II

Course Number: 7713BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Japanese I

Pre-AP Japanese II further develops the skills introduced in Japanese I. Emphasis is on oral and written communication skills. Expansion of vocabulary and grammatical structures continues. Katakana letters and Chinese characters are introduced. Real life Japanese, such as informal speech styles, is also introduced.

PRE-ADVANCED PLACEMENT JAPANESE III

Course Number: 7720BB

Placement: 10-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Japanese II

Pre-AP Japanese III provides for an in-depth development of the skills introduced in the previous courses. Further expansion of vocabulary, grammatical structures, and Chinese characters continues. Students are expected to develop communication skills in various real life settings.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT JAPANESE IV

Course Number: 7730BB

Placement: 10-12

Prerequisite: Pre-AP Japanese III

Credits: 1

AP Japanese IV provides for further development of communication skills in Japanese in preparation for the AP Japanese Language examination. Emphasis is on advanced grammar and composition as well as comprehension and speaking in a variety of real life settings. Students will be prepared to take the AP exam.

LATIN I

Course Number: 7400BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: None

This course will help students with their comprehension of the Latin language through practice in reading Latin passages. Students will also develop a better understanding of the social and political history of the ancient Romans.

LATIN II

Course Number: 7410BB

Placement: 10-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Latin I

This course continues to develop the vocabulary and grammar skills necessary to read and comprehend Latin passages. Students will continue to develop, through their readings, an understanding of Roman culture.

PRE-ADVANCED PLACEMENT LATIN II

Course Number: 7413BB

Placement: 10-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Latin I

This pre-advanced placement course requires a deeper study and understanding of the Latin language and Roman culture. This course continues to develop the vocabulary and grammar skills necessary to read and comprehend Latin passages. Students will continue to develop, through their readings, an understanding of Roman culture.

PRE-ADVANCED PLACEMENT LATIN III

Course Number: 7423BB

Placement: 10-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Latin II or Pre-AP Latin II

In the final course of the recommended three-year sequence of language study, the Latin III student continues to develop the skills to read and comprehend slightly adapted and authentic classical passages at an advanced level. Students will continue to develop, through their readings, an understanding of Roman culture.

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ADVANCED PLACEMENT LATIN IV

Course Number: 7430BB

Placement: 11-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Pre-AP Latin III

This fourth-year course focuses on reading Latin poetry and prose with special emphasis on Vergil's epic poem "The Aeneid" and the writings of Julius Caesar. The student will gain insight into the special conventions of poetry, as well as continued knowledge and understanding of the Greco-Roman world and mythology. Students may prepare for a variation of the College Board (CB) Latin Advanced Placement (AP) Examination, which focuses on poetry and prose in this Level IV course.

ADVANCED SPANISH FOR SPANISH SPEAKERS

Course Number: 7385/7390

Placement: Department Approval

Credits: 3

Prerequisite: Departmental Approval

This course is designed for students who have proficient oral production and comprehension skills in Spanish. The course emphasis includes Hispanic culture, reading, and writing skills. Class will be conducted entirely in Spanish. Students will receive credit for Spanish I and II first semester and Spanish III second semester. Este curso está diseñado para estudiantes que tienen proficiencia oral y de comprensión en la lengua Española. El énfasis de la clase incluye cultura Hispánica, lectura y escritura. La clase será dictada en Español en su totalidad. Los estudiantes recibirán crédito equivalente a la asignatura de Español I y Español II el primer semestre y Español III segundo semestre.

SPANISH I

Course Number: 7300/7300BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: None

This course is designed to introduce students to the Spanish language and culture. The students will develop skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing Spanish. Students will explore various aspects of Hispanic culture, heritage, and peoples. Major emphasis is on conversational usage of Spanish in real-life situations.

SPANISH II

Course Number: 7310/7310BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Spanish I

This course further develops the skills introduced in Spanish I. The students will be involved in an in-depth study of the spoken language, listening, reading, writing, and literature.

PRE-ADVANCED PLACEMENT SPANISH II

Course Number: 7320/7320BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Spanish I

This course provides for an in-depth development of the skills introduced in Spanish I. Oral comprehension and reading skills are emphasized. Grammar, vocabulary, literature, and cultural studies are also included.

PRE-ADVANCED PLACEMENT SPANISH III

Course Number: 7340/7340BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Spanish II or Pre-AP Spanish II

This honors course is a continuation of the study of the Spanish language with special emphasis on reading comprehension, listening, speaking and advanced grammar and composition in preparation for the AP Spanish Language exam.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT SPANISH IV

Course Number: 7360/7360BB

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Pre-AP Spanish III or Advanced Spanish for Spanish Speakers

This course is an intensive study of Spanish language in preparation for the AP Spanish Language exam. Emphasis is on advanced grammar, literature, and composition as well as listening comprehension and speaking. Students will be prepared to take the AP test.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT SPANISH V

Course Number: 7370

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: AP Spanish IV

This course is an intensive study of Spanish literature in preparation for the AP Spanish Literature exam. Emphasis is on advanced grammar, literature, and composition. Students will be prepared to take the AP test.

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COMPUTER SCIENCE I

Course Number: 1050CT

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Algebra I

Computer Science I will foster students' creativity and innovation by presenting opportunities to design, implement, and present meaningful programs through a variety of media. Students will collaborate with one another, their instructor, and various electronic communities to solve the problems presented throughout the course. Through data analysis, students will identify task requirements, plan search strategies, and use computer science concepts to access, analyze, and evaluate information needed to solve problems. By using computer science knowledge and skills that support the work of individuals and groups in solving problems, students will select the technology appropriate for the task, synthesize knowledge, create solutions, and evaluate the results. Students will learn digital citizenship by researching current laws and regulations and by practicing integrity and respect.

Students will gain an understanding of the principles of computer science through the study of technology operations, systems, and concepts. This is a Project Lead the Way course. Note: Course can be used as a LOTE credit for graduation.

COMPUTER SCIENCE II

Course Number: 1051CT

Placement: 9-12

Credits: 1

Prerequisite: Computer Science I

Computer Science II will foster students' creativity and innovation by presenting opportunities to design, implement, and present meaningful programs through a variety of media. Students will collaborate with one another, their instructor, and various electronic communities to solve the problems presented throughout the course. Through data analysis, students will identify task requirements, plan search strategies, and use computer science concepts to access, analyze, and evaluate information needed to solve problems. By using computer science knowledge and skills that support the work of individuals and groups in solving problems, students will select the technology appropriate for the task, synthesize knowledge, create solutions, and evaluate the results. Students will learn digital citizenship by researching current laws and regulations and by practicing integrity and respect.

Students will gain an understanding of computer science through the study of technology operations, systems, and concepts. This is a Project Lead the Way course. Note: Course can be used as a LOTE credit for graduation.