

Arts and Humanities

(c-1) A student may earn an endorsement on the student's diploma and transcript by successfully completing curriculum requirements for that endorsement adopted by the State Board of Education by rule. The State Board of Education by rule shall provide students with multiple options for earning each endorsement, including, to the greatest extent possible, coherent sequences of courses. The State Board of Education by rule must permit a student to enroll in courses under more than one endorsement curriculum before the student's junior year. An endorsement under this subsection may be earned in any of the following categories:

- (4) arts and humanities, which includes courses directly related to political science, world languages, cultural studies, English literature, history, and fine arts

Considerations:

- Political science aligns more appropriately with the public services endorsement.
- The current distinguished achievement program (DAP) requires three credits in the same language in a language other than English (LOTE).
- The only currently approved courses that address literature are English I-IV, Literary Genres, and Humanities.
- There are not enough currently approved courses to comprise a coherent sequence of courses in literature or cultural studies.

Decisions Points:

- (1) Number of courses that a student must complete to earn an endorsement
- (2) Require specific courses for the endorsement?
- (3) Course options for the endorsement

Examples:

- (1) Four credits related to the endorsement
- (2) Require English IV
- (3) Coherent sequence of four credits in one of the following areas:
 - Art
 - Dance
 - Music
 - Theatre
 - AP social studies
 - IB social studies
 - The same language in a language other than English (LOTE)
 - American Sign Language