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COMMON CURRICULUM

The Common Curriculum provides academic breadth with a set of intellectually rigorous and challenging courses that foster skills and attributes associated with leadership and global citizenship. The program allows students to make choices in their studies, to make connections between different disciplines and ideas, and to explore their creativity by taking courses that fall into six Topics of Inquiry (TOIs) and three Competencies.

Four things we LOVE about the Common Curriculum

TOI-1: Creativity: Design, Expresion, Innovation

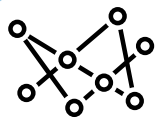**Themes:** Interdisciplinary collaboration beyond content focus

CREATIVITY

Structure liberates: Curriculum promotes flexibility for students and programs

Multiple paths: Breadth, depth, and focus built in for different educational needs

CHOICE

CONNECTIONS

Intentional alignment: Assignments aligned with courses and Topics of Inquiry

Multiple designations: Over 70% of courses with two TOI designations

CAREER

Making the implicit explicit: Eight career competencies directly embedded

Planning for the future: Bridge the gap between academics and application

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Who Benefits?

Learners	✓	Academic Programs	✓
Instructors	✓	State Partners	✓

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TOPICS OF INQUIRY REQUIREMENTS:
- At least 3 credits in each TOI
  - One Laboratory Science (TOI-6L)
- 6 Unique Course Subjects
- Minimum of 21 TOI Credits
- Complete 9 credits through a Focus Area in TOI or a Theme

COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS:
- 2 Writing (W) Courses
- 2 Quantitative (Q) Courses
- Second Language through Elementary Level 2
- Information, Digital, and Media Literacies (IDML)
- Dialogue

3 CREDITS IN EACH TOPIC OF INQUIRY

TOI-1
Creativity: Design, Expression, Innovation

TOI-2
Cultural Dimensions of Human Experiences

TOI-3
Diversity, Equity, and Social Justice

TOI-4
Environmental Literacy

TOI-5
Individual Values and Social Institutions

TOI-6
Scientific and Empirical Inquiry

All students are required to take one TOI-6L laboratory science course

AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENT SUBJECT AREAS

A cross-listed course may be used in any of the cross-listed subject areas

AT LEAST 21 TOTAL CREDITS FROM COURSES IN TOPICS OF INQUIRY

Course	Credits
One Laboratory Science (TOI-6L)	

Total Credits

TOI DETAILS & THEME OPTIONS

9 CREDITS FOCUSING IN ONE TOPIC OF INQUIRY OR A THEME

Identify the Topic of Inquiry or Theme completed