



Global Studies Signature Academy

Global Studies is McQueen High School's Signature Academy. This academy is designed to prepare students for life in the twenty-first century. There are two programs within the Global Studies Signature Academy: International Studies and Fine Arts.

International Studies

Students will be immersed in course work dealing with world politics/economics, ecological balance, global interaction/diplomacy and international understanding. During the four-year course of study, students will study two world languages to the Advanced Placement™ level. Other required courses will include AP Human Geography, AP US History, AP American Government, AP Comparative Government, Economics and AP Environmental Science. The following table is an example of what a student's schedule would look like beginning in ninth grade:

9 TH GRADE	10 TH GRADE	11 TH GRADE	12 TH GRADE
World Language #1 3-4	World Language #1 5-6	World Language #1 AP	World Language #2 AP
World Language #2 1-2	World Language #2 3-4	World Language #2 5-6	AP Government OR We the People
Freshmen Seminar	AP Human Geography	AP US History	Econ/AP Comp Gov't
Science	Science	AP Environ Science	Math
Math	Math	Math	English
English	English	English	OPEN
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In addition to the aforementioned course work, students will have the opportunity to:

- Host a student from another country and/or participate in a brief "study abroad"
- Listen to a guest lecture series with a focus on international policy, life, and culture
- Sharpen their World Language translation skills
- Increase their networking potential outside of the Northern Nevada area
- Broaden their view of the world
- Participate in an internship in a related field during the junior or senior year

Students interested in becoming a part of the McQueen Global Studies Academy must submit an application which can be obtained from their middle school counselor. Although it is preferable for Global Studies students to have begun world language study in middle school, this is not required. It is recommended that middle school students who wish to enroll in the program have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0. Students enrolled in this program are encouraged to take Health and Computers during the summer between 8th and 9th grade. They are also encouraged earn P.E. waivers by participating on a sports team and complete their P.E. credits outside of school by enrolling in the P.E. Options Program offered through WCSD Supplemental Credit.

*Students in previous graduation classes may be considered for the Global Studies Program if they have studied two world languages since their freshman year and have completed the other required course work.