

## Global Education Achievement Certificate

Students who demonstrate a strong interest in global citizenship and wish to engage in co-curricular activities and experiences that foster the development of global competences should consider enrolling in the Global Education Achievement Certificate (GEAC) program.

Students must complete the required criteria in all **FOUR** of the categories listed below.

The designation of "Global Scholar" will be entered on the student transcript. Students who complete the GEAC will also receive a certificate of completion from the state superintendent.

### **A. REQUIRED COURSEWORK**

#### **9<sup>th</sup> grade**

World History / AP Human Geography\*

English 9 (World Perspectives)

First or Second year of a World Language

#### **10<sup>th</sup> grade**

Second or Third year of a World Language

#### **11<sup>th</sup> grade**

Third or Fourth year of a World Language

#### **12<sup>th</sup> grade**

Fourth or Fifth year of a World Language

*Additionally, students must choose 4 semesters worth of the following courses:*

### **ONE semester courses**

- International Business
- Contemporary Issues
- Sociology
- Literature of War & Conflict
- Intro. to Social Sciences
- Exploring World Cultures

### **TWO semester courses**

- AP Environmental Science
- AP Microeconomics / AP Macroeconomics
- Entrepreneurship
- Second World Language (at least one year)
- AP Art History (online)
- Environmental Sustainability
- \*AP Human Geography (only if World History was taken freshman year)

## **B. CULTURAL LITERACY REQUIREMENT**

Students must complete reflections on **eight** works of international/cultural media. Materials may include: film, music, art exhibits and literature. At least **4 books** are required.

## **C. CULTURAL ACTIVITIES**

Students must participate in at least **FOUR** of cultural activities between sophomore and senior year. Reflections are required for each activity. Events must have a global focus. If students find an activity that is not included on the list, it **MUST** be approved before attending. Activities may include:

- \*Attend the International Folk Fair (November)
- \*Attend/Participate in the MFHS Culture Fair (Spring)
- \*Attend Concordia Language Village immersion weekend
- \*Host an exchange student
- \*Become an **ACTIVE** member of International Club, German Club, Spanish/German Honor Society

See GEAC coordinator for a full list of activity ideas.

## **D. COMMUNITY CONNECTION**

Students must complete a global/cross-cultural public service project, involving at least **20 hours** of work connected to a global community (different from their own) or to a global issue.

*For their **SENIOR YEAR**, students will create a poster session from their reflections to report their findings to parents and the community. These sessions will be held during the Menomonee Falls High School's Culture Fair in the spring.*

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