

WHICH ETHNIC STUDIES IS RIGHT FOR ME?

Students enrolled in the Elk Grove Unified School District are required to complete five credits of World Geography for graduation. At Franklin High School we offer two courses that meet the World Geography requirement, World Geography College Prep and Advanced Placement Human Geography. Both courses meet the UC/CSU a-g requirements. Below is a chart providing key information on each of the courses available at Franklin High School.

	Ethnic Studies	Ethnic Studies paired with Advanced Placement Comparative Government
Enrollment	9th graders	9 th , 11 th , 12 th graders
Length of Course	90-minute block for one 9-week quarter	90-minute block for two non-consecutive 9-week quarters
Academic Credit	5 Credits	10 credits (5 credits for Ethnic Studies & 5 credits for AP Comp Gov) College credit at many colleges and universities with a score of 3 or higher on the national AP Comparative Government Exam. Grades of C or higher are weighted on a 5.0 scale.
Course Description	This course is designed to provide key language, historical lessons, and critical analysis skills that empower students to articulate and address the social injustices they see and experience. The class will cultivate the understanding necessary for social, political, and educational engagement while developing academic literacy skills. Students will be able to take an in-depth look at history through a thematic approach (as opposed to chronological) as well as theories of multicultural and gender studies.	<p>Ethnic Studies- This course is designed to provide key language, historical lessons, and critical analysis skills that empower students to articulate and address the social injustices they see and experience. The class will cultivate the understanding necessary for social, political, and educational engagement while developing academic literacy skills. Students will be able to take an in-depth look at history through a thematic approach (as opposed to chronological) as well as theories of multicultural and gender studies.</p> <p>AP Comp Gov- This course introduces students to the world's diverse political structures and practices, specifically through the lens of six different countries: The United Kingdom, Mexico, Russia, Nigeria, China, and Iran. For each nation, the study will include the following topics: 1) Sovereignty, Authority, and Power; 2) Political Institutions; 3) Citizens, Society, and the State; 4) Political and Economic Change; and 5) Public Policy. Upon completion, students will be eligible to take the AP Comparative Government and Politics Exam. This course meets UC and CSU history or elective requirements.</p> <p>This course will require a strong reading comprehension and writing skills. Nightly homework will be assigned.</p>
Course Textbook	<i>Our Stories in Our Voices, Copyright 2019, Kendall Hunt Publishing Company</i>	<i>Comparative Government Stories of the World for the AP Course, 1st Edition, BFW Publishers</i>