



Montana College Preparatory Curriculum Program 2015-2016 Academic Year  
Geraldine High School ----- Last Updated April 6, 2016

<p><b>English: Minimum Core – 4 years.</b> In each year the content of the course should have an emphasis upon the development of written and oral communication skills and literature.</p> <p><b>English: Rigorous Core – 4 years.</b> Recommendation: a designated college-prep composition or research writing course.</p>	<p><b>Social Studies: Minimum Core – 3 years.</b> The courses shall include Global Studies (such as World History or World Geography); American History; and Government, Economics, Indian History or other third year courses.</p> <p><b>Social Studies: Rigorous Core – 3 years.</b> As above, with recommendation: one half year or more of other courses such as psychology, humanities.</p>
<p><u><i>Yearlong English courses including Composition Speech, and Literature:</i></u> English I, II, III, IV</p> <p><i>Other English courses which must be combined in such a way that each year's combination includes Composition, Speech, and Literature:</i></p> <p><u>Composition:</u> Creative Writing</p> <p><u>Speech:</u> N/A</p> <p><u>Literature:</u> Mythology Humanities (Dual Credit with Great Falls College-MSU)</p>	<p>Students must complete a full year of global studies such as World History or World Geography, a full year of American History, and an additional year in another social studies field such as economics, government, psychology, sociology, tribal government, or Indian Ed for All. (Per Joyce A. Scott, Deputy Commissioner Academic &amp; Student Affairs, April 2002.)</p> <hr/> <p><u>Global Studies:</u> World Geography</p> <p><u>American History:</u> United States History</p> <p><u>Additional Social Studies Courses:</u> American Government Montana History (MDA) Intro to Psychology (Dual Credit with MSU-N) Intro to Sociology (Dual Credit with MSU-N) Sociology (Dual Credit with MSU-N) Psychology (Dual Credit with MSU-N) Native American Studies (Dual Credit with Great Falls College-MSU)</p>
<p><b>Math: Minimum Core – 3 years.</b> Courses shall include Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II (or the sequential content equivalent of these courses). Students are encouraged to take a math course in their senior year. NOTE: In school systems where a student may take Algebra I in 8<sup>th</sup> Grade, the student still must complete 3 years of college preparatory math in High School. (Per Richard A. Crofts, Commissioner of Higher Education, 1995.)</p> <p><b>Math: Rigorous Core – 4 years.</b> A course beyond Algebra II or beyond Integrated Math III (such as Trigonometry, PreCalculus, Calculus, Computer Math, Integrated Math IV).</p>	<p><b>Science: Minimum Core – 2 years.</b> Two years of laboratory science: One year must be earth science, biology, chemistry or physics. The other can be one of the courses listed below or another approved college preparatory lab science.</p> <p><b>Science: Rigorous Core – 3 years.</b> One full year of general earth science, biology, and chemistry or physics.</p>

Satisfies Minimum Core:

Algebra I, II

Geometry

Senior Mathematics Satisfies

Rigorous Core: Statistics/

Integrated Math IV

Lab Science Courses:

Biology

Advanced Biology

AP Biology (MDA)

Chemistry

Earth Science

Physics

Additional Science Courses:

Environmental Science (MDA)

**Electives: Minimum Core – 2 years, chosen from the following.**

World Language (preferably 2 years); computer science, visual and performing arts, or vocational education units which meets the Office of Public Instruction (OPI) guidelines.

**Electives: Rigorous Core – 3 years, chosen from the following.**

Two years of second language, music, fine arts, speech and debate, career and technical education (such as information technology (IT) or computer science).

Career, Vocational and Technical Education:

Accounting I, II  
Agricultural Shop I, II  
Agricultural Welding and Mechanics  
Agricultural Construction and Design  
Agricultural Production and Animal Science  
Computer Applications  
Current Events  
Information Processing  
Math Finance  
Personal Finance

Music:

Band  
Chorus  
Music Appreciation  
American Popular Music (Dual Credit with Great Falls College-MSU)

Fine Arts and Speech & Debate:

Art  
Art History/Appreciation  
Photography  
Speech and Debate

World Language:

Spanish I, II, III