## **CONTENT AREA: ARTS & HUMANITIES**

### General Education

"Guaranteed Transfer" Course Criteria

## **State-level Goal:**

Collectively, the general education requirement in art and humanities is designed to help Students:

- recognize the different way in which humans have perceived their world.
- deepen their understanding of how social, cultural, linguistic, religious, philosophical, and historical circumstances shape the human environment.
- enhance their appreciation of the creative world.
- explore fundamental questions of value, meaning, and modes of expression and creativity.
- investigate the cultural character and literatures of the human experience.
- learn to approach problems with greater awareness of their moral dimensions and ethical consequences.

## Criteria for Designating a Humanities Course as State Guaranteed:

The content of a "state guaranteed" humanities course shall be designed to provide students experiences either to:

- 1. Respond analytically and critically to cultural artifacts, including literature, music, and works of art by:
  - a. Describing the basic elements and their effects on meaning in a work of art.
  - b. Relating the effects of geography, economics, politics, religion, philosophy and science on the values of a culture and the stylistic features of its arts.
  - c. Determining how a work reflects or rejects the major values or concerns of a historical era or culture.
  - d. Interpreting themes or major concepts.

### OR

2. Compare and contrast attitudes and values of specific eras (e.g., past to the present), or cultures (e.g., non-Western to Western culture).

#### OR

3. Understand ways of thinking, including logic and ethics, or obtain a broad understanding of the different questions dealt with by leading philosophers and their positions on those questions.

## OR

- 4. Develop an ability to communicate in and understand a language other than spoken and written English by
  - a. acquiring intermediate skill in speaking, aural comprehension, reading and writing in a language other than English, or
  - b. acquiring intermediate skills in American sign language.
- 5. Competency in critical thinking.
- 6. Competency in written communication.
- 7. Develop competency in reading or technology

# <u>Maximum number of credits in Arts and Humanities that will be guaranteed to transfer:</u>

At least six credit hours in Arts and Humanities will be guaranteed to transfer in the gtPathways curriculum. An additional 3 credits can be guaranteed to transfer *IF* the student is requesting no more than 6 credits of guaranteed transfer courses in the Social and Behavioral Sciences category of the gtPathways curriculum (a maximum of 15 credits is guaranteed to transfer from the combined categories of Arts and Humanities and Social and Behavioral Sciences).

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