

# CIVICS, CITIZENSHIP & COMMUNITIES PATHWAY

The Civics, Citizenship, and Communities Pathway is dedicated to educating student to be competent citizens who understand the rights and responsibilities of individuals in their community at the local, state, national, and international level. Within the Pathway, students will examine the various communities that make up Lowell and the United States, in order to probe the voice, contributions, and responsibilities of citizens in the 21st century. By providing students with challenging, thought-provoking courses grounded in the humanities and the social sciences, students will be prepared to pursue academic and professional goals in the fields of social services, community advocacy, conflict resolution, law, and education. Using a curriculum that adheres to state and national standards - and emphasizes issues of moral and responsible citizenship - students within the CCC Pathway will be prepared to participate in all aspects of our civic democratic structures. Pathway students will have requirements to fulfill each semester of their junior and senior year. During their senior year, students in the CCC Pathway will participate in a senior seminar and an internship, designed to prepare students for college, careers, and active citizenship.

- The CCC Pathway strives to provide a respectful learning community that allows students to realize their potential as compassionate and knowledgeable citizens who impact and support communities both locally and globally.
- The CCC Pathway nurtures the following critical skills in students before graduation:
  - Enhanced critical thinking, literacy, research, and technological skills;
  - Deep awareness of local, national, and global issues and cultural diversity;
  - Understanding of the complexity of social action and reaction;
  - Recognition of the consequences of individual choice in society; and,
  - The ability to apply coursework to real life experiences in the community.

## **CIVICS, CITIZENSHIP & COMMUNITIES PATHWAY COURSES:**

### **Required Courses:**

#### **Grade 11:**

4382	We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution - Honors (semester 1)
4563	The City of Lowell and American Industrialization and Immigration - Honors

#### **Grade 12:**

4570	Seminar on American Diversity - Honors
4571	Internship and Capstone Project in CCC - Honors

### **Recommended Electives (Optional):**

0542	Race and Ethnicity and the Written Word - Honors
0544	Literature of the Holocaust - Honors
4371	Education in American - Honors
4431 or 4435	Introduction to Sociology - H or DE (MCC)
4524	Cambodia: Culture and Conflict - Honors
4513	Topics in Facing History and Ourselves - Honors
4541/4542	Political Science - Honors
4566	Gender and Identity - Honors

**\*Civics, Citizenship & Communities Pathway students must earn a minimum of 10 credits in the required courses to receive the designation of Civics, Citizenship, and Communities Concentration status on the student's final transcript.**