

## Course Selection [Grade 9]

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## Important Vocabulary

$\star$ Compulsory Course: This is a specific course you must take that fulfills part of the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) requirements.
$\star$ Elective Course: An optional course you can choose to take based on your interest; will count towards your graduation.
Ł Prerequisite Course: This is a specific course students must successfully complete before taking another course at the next grade level.
$\star$ Credit: A credit value of 1.0 is granted upon successfully completing a 110-hour course with a minimum of $50 \%$.

## What Do You Need to Graduate in Ontario?

## Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD)

30 Credits $=$

18 Compulsory Credits
Literacy Requirement (OSSLT or OLC4O)

12 Elective / Optional
Credits
40 Hours of Community Service

## What Do You Need to Graduate in Ontario?



| $\mathbf{4}$ | credits in English (1 credit per grade) ${ }^{\star}$ |
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| $\mathbf{3}$ | credits in mathematics (1 credit in <br> Grade 11 or 12) |
| $\mathbf{2}$ | credits in science |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | credit in Canadian history |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | credit in Canadian geography |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | credit in the arts |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | credit in health and physical education |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | credit in French as a second language |
| $\mathbf{0 . 5}$ | credit in career studies |
| $\mathbf{0 . 5}$ | credit in civics |

## Compulsory vs. Elective

|  | Grade 9 | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | English (ENG1D) | English (ENG2D) | English (ENG3U) | English (ENGU) |
| 2 | Math (MPM1D) | Math (MPM2D) | Math (MCR3U) |  |
| 3 | Science (SNC1D) | Science (SCN2D) |  |  |
| 4 | Geography (CGC1D) | History (CHC2D) |  |  |
| 5 | Physical Education (PPL1O) | Civics \& Citizenship (CHV2O) |  |  |
| 6 | French (FSF1D) | Career Studies (GLC2O) |  |  |
| 7 | Art, Drama or Music |  |  |  |
| 8 |  |  |  |  |

## What Do You Need to Graduate in Ontario?



## Group 1:

- English or French as a second language**
- a Native language
- a classical or international language
- social sciences and the humanities
- Canadian and world studies
- guidance and career education
- cooperative education***


## What Do You Need to Graduate in Ontario?



## Group 2:

- health and physical education
- the arts
- business studies
- French as a second language**
- cooperative education***


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12 optional credits $^{\dagger}$

## What Do You Need to Graduate in Ontario?



40 hours of community involvement activities

- 40 volunteer hours are required to graduate
- You can start earning volunteer hours the summer before grade 9 !
- These can be completed through getting involved with school initiatives and community events or fundraisers
- We encourage all students to go beyond the 40 hours and work to achieve as many hours as you can


## What Do You Need to Graduate in Ontario?



## the provincial literacy requirement

- Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT)
- Standardized test for secondary students in Ontario
- Written in grade 10
- Testing your reading and writing skills up to the end of grade 9


## Understanding Courses \& Codes

Every course in an Ontario Secondary School has a six-character course code. A code can be broken down as follows:


| $\underline{\text { Department and Subject }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| $\underline{\mathbf{A}}$ | Arts | $\underline{\mathbf{G}}$ | Guidance \& Career Education | $\underline{\mathbf{S}}$ | Sciences |  |
| $\underline{\mathbf{B}}$ | Business | $\underline{\mathbf{H}}$ | Humanities \& Social Sciences | $\underline{\mathbf{T}}$ | Technology |  |
| $\underline{\mathbf{C}}$ | Canadian \& World Studies | $\underline{\mathbf{L}}$ | International Languages |  |  |  |
| $\underline{\mathbf{E}}$ | English | $\underline{\mathbf{M}}$ | Mathematics |  |  |  |
| $\underline{\mathbf{F}}$ | French | $\underline{\mathbf{P}}$ | Physical Education |  |  |  |

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| Grade Level |  |
| $\underline{\mathbf{1}}$ | Grade 9 |
| $\underline{\mathbf{2}}$ | Grade 10 |
| $\underline{\mathbf{3}}$ | Grade 11 |
| $\underline{\mathbf{4}}$ | Grade 12 |

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CGC 1D

| Course Type |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Grade 9 and 10 | Grade 11 and 12 |
| Academic (D) | University (U) |
| Applied (P) | University/College (M) |
| Open (O) | Open (O) |

## Course Selection (Gr. 9)

- Students in Grade 9 are required to take $\underline{8}$ COURSES
- All students who are completing reach ahead courses are earning credits towards their diploma


## Course Selection (Gr. 9)

- ADA1O: Drama, Grade 9 (Open): This course provides opportunities for students to explore dramatic forms and techniques, using material from a wide range of sources and cultures. Students will use the elements of drama to examine situations and issues that are relevant to their lives. Students will create, perform, discuss, and analyse drama, and then reflect on the experiences to develop an understanding of themselves, the art form, and the world around them.

- AMU1O: Music, Grade 9 (Open): This course emphasizes the creation and performance of music at a level consistent with previous experience and is aimed at developing technique, sensitivity, and imagination. Students will develop musical literacy skills by using the creative and critical analysis processes in composition, performance, and a range of reflective and analytical activities. Students will develop an understanding of the conventions and elements of music and of safe practices related to music, and will develop a variety of skills transferable
 to other areas of their life.
- AVI1O: Visual Arts, Grade 9 (Open): This course is exploratory in nature, offering an overview of visual arts as a foundation for further study. Students will become familiar with the elements and principles of design and the expressive qualities of various materials by using a range of media, processes, techniques, and styles. Students will use the creative and critical analysis processes and will interpret art within a personal, contemporary, and historical context.



## Course Selection

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## GOALS \& PLANS



My Plans



## Course Selection

Deadline to submit course selection:

- Thursday March 5th

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