

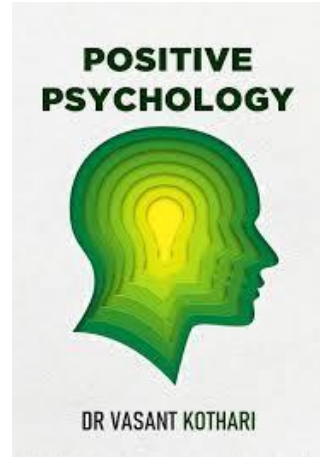


New Course Offerings

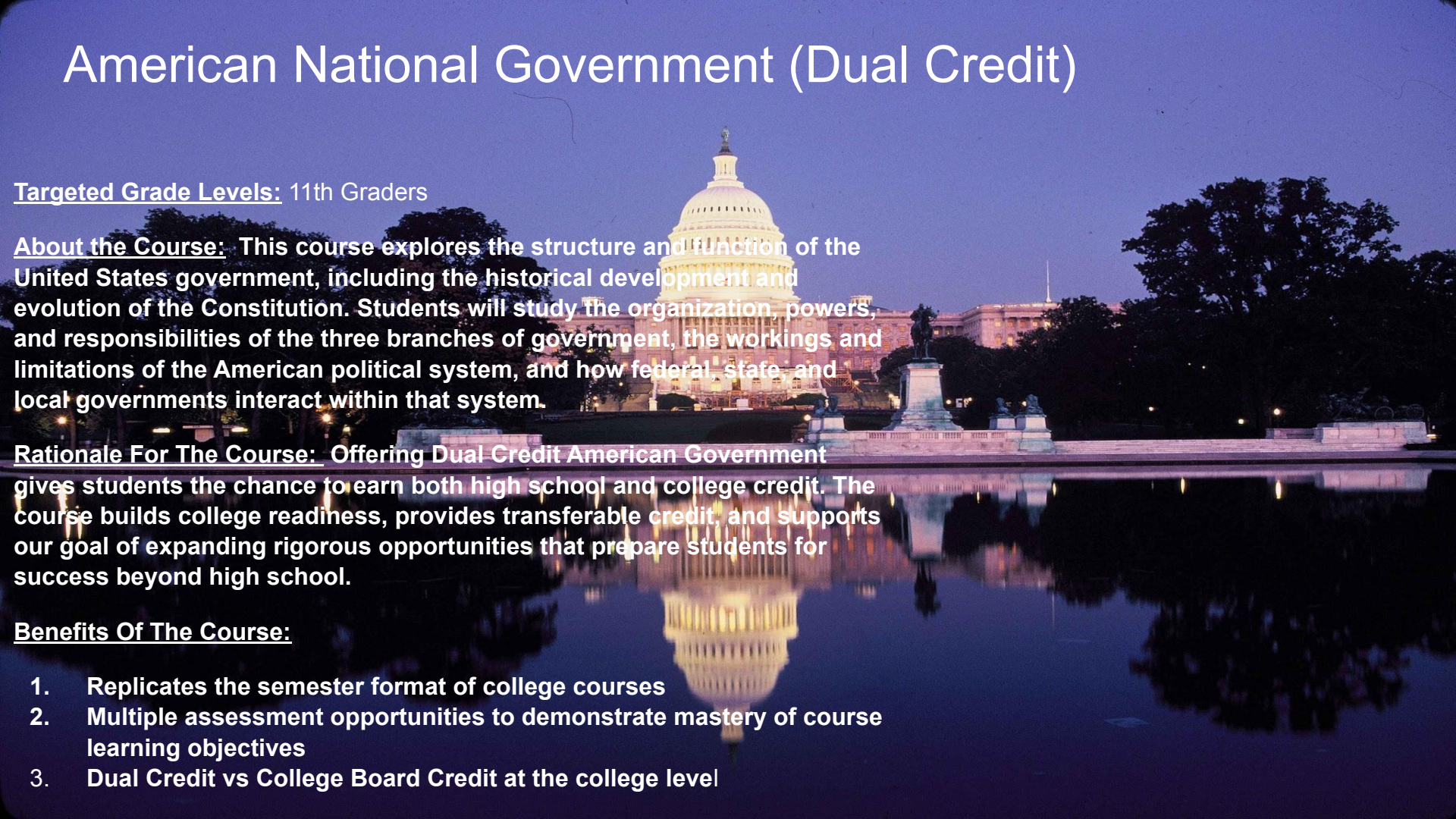
Geneseo High School

We Are Excited To Offer 5 New Courses!

- American National Government - Dual Credit
- Ag Leadership
- Basic Art
- Positive Psychology
- Drone Operation and Maintenance



American National Government (Dual Credit)



Targeted Grade Levels: 11th Graders

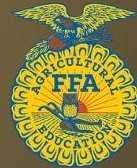
About the Course: This course explores the structure and function of the United States government, including the historical development and evolution of the Constitution. Students will study the organization, powers, and responsibilities of the three branches of government, the workings and limitations of the American political system, and how federal, state, and local governments interact within that system.

Rationale For The Course: Offering Dual Credit American Government gives students the chance to earn both high school and college credit. The course builds college readiness, provides transferable credit, and supports our goal of expanding rigorous opportunities that prepare students for success beyond high school.

Benefits Of The Course:

1. Replicates the semester format of college courses
2. Multiple assessment opportunities to demonstrate mastery of course learning objectives
3. Dual Credit vs College Board Credit at the college level

Agriculture Leadership



Purpose:

- Develop leadership and communication skills
- Apply those skills within agriculture, FFA, and community settings

About the Course:

- Focuses on leadership in food, fiber, and natural resources industries
- Combines classroom learning, FFA activities, and SAE projects
- Students practice leadership, not just learn about it
- Builds skills in:
 - Communication
 - Teamwork
 - Decision-making
 - Problem-solving

Benefits:

- Strengthens public speaking, communication, and interpersonal skills
- Promotes teamwork, initiative, and responsibility
- Builds confidence and leadership experience through FFA and community involvement
- Encourages critical thinking and problem-solving in real agricultural contexts
- Prepares students for future leadership and team-based roles in agriculture, business, and beyond
- Develops soft skills needed in all careers
- Emphasizes working effectively in team settings
 - Collaboration
 - Conflict resolution
 - Shared responsibility
- Builds confidence, responsibility, and professionalism for life after high school

Community Connections

- Guest Speakers & Mentors:
 - Local Ag professionals
 - Alumni
- Service Projects:
 - Food drives, Ag Awareness events, or Community clean-ups
- Local Partnerships:
 - Farms
 - Agribusinesses
 - Conservation agencies
- FFA & School Events:
 - Community Events
 - Ag literacy days
- Public Presentations:
 - Sharing projects with local boards or community groups
- Builds mutual support between school and community

Basic Art for Special Education Students 9-12

Overview: A foundational, hands-on art course designed for students who benefit from a slower-paced and supportive environment.

Rationale: Students in Life Skills and Cross-Categorical programs often struggle with the pace and vocabulary of general education art classes. Basic Art will provide equal access to the visual arts by adapting materials, pacing, and expectations to meet diverse learning needs while maintaining focus on creativity, communication, and confidence.

- Benefits:**
- *Encourages self-expression and creativity.
 - *Builds fine motor and problem-solving skills.
 - *Promotes social interaction and teamwork.
 - *Fosters cultural awareness and appreciation.
 - *Provides a safe space for students to express emotion and ideas visually, building self esteem and self awareness.
 - *Bridges the gap between middle school adapted art and post secondary goals by fostering independence and creativity.

Positive Psychology

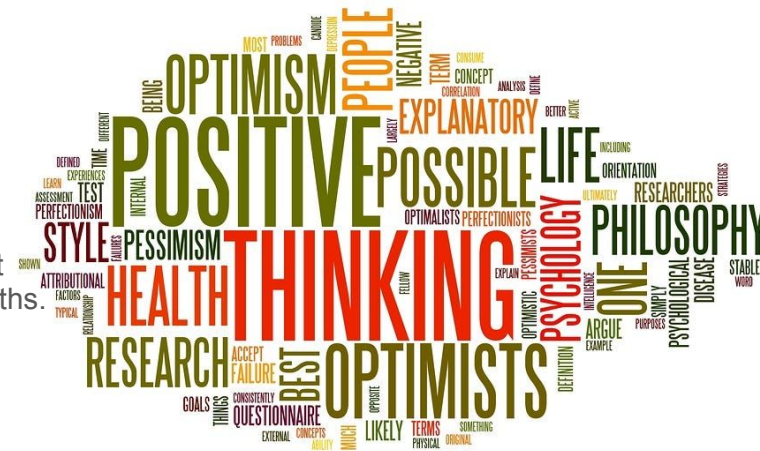
Targeted Grade Levels: 11th and 12th Graders

About the Course: Positive Psychology and Leadership is a semester course that helps students understand the science of well-being, resilience, and human strengths. Students learn strategies for developing a growth mindset, practicing gratitude and mindfulness, managing stress, and building leadership skills. Through hands-on activities and personal projects, they apply these concepts to improve their own well-being and positively influence others in school and the community.

Rationale For The Course: Positive Psychology helps students build resilience, well-being, and leadership skills through topics like gratitude, mindset, and stress management. The course focuses on growth and happiness, giving students lifelong tools for success in school, careers, and life.

Benefits Of The Course:

- Helps students build skills that can be applied in their lives regardless of future paths or circumstances
- Especially beneficial to the career paths of many Geneseo students (farmers, small business owners, upper management, teachers, etc.)
- Able to apply the concepts immediately to benefit the culture of the GHS & community as a whole.
- The content, projects, and book study provide a unique opportunity not currently present in many high school curriculums.





Drone Operation & Maintenance

Preparing 11th & 12th Graders for a High-Demand Careers

Core Curriculum

-  **Core Knowledge:** Introduction to Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS).
-  **Safe Operations:** Mastering safe flight procedures and FAA regulations.
-  **Technical Skills:** Hands-on drone maintenance and servicing.
-  **Practical Applications:** Professional training in aerial imaging and data collection.

Strategic Rationale

-  **High-Growth Field:** 120,000+ new UAS jobs expected by 2028.
-  **Professional Credential:** Prepares students for the FAA Part 107 Remote Pilot license test.
-  **Immediate Employability:** Provides in-demand, hands-on skills for graduation.
-  **Industry-Relevant:** Connects classroom learning to real-world career trends.

Thank You

