

PBS Campus Experience Courses Designed for Adult Learners

Anime and Manga - The History, Influence, and Culture - Anime is an animation style that originated in Japan and Manga is the Japanese word for “comics” or “whimsical images”. In this course we will be discussing the history, influence and culture of Anime and Manga. Students will take a “ deep dive” into Anime & Manga and discuss how they have expanded into the western culture. Topics will range from cosplaying to the history that had started this movement...and beyond! Classes will involve discussions and group activities. Students will have the opportunity to create their own hero and storyline during the course of the semester.

Art Appreciation - This course presents an overview of various mediums of art. Students will learn about cartoon art and forms of animation, photography, cinema and theater, ceramics and pottery, and origami. The class will also discuss forms of artistic expression such as body art and graffiti. Musical genres will be introduced as well as how they influence our emotional state. Students are encouraged to share their experiences and gain an appreciation of the art all around us.

Baseball 101: History and Appreciation - *"Love is the most important thing in the world, but baseball is pretty good, too"*- Yogi Berra. Baseball History is American History. In this class, we will explore the history of the game, from its origins to the present day. We will see how baseball was born, grew up, and matured to become more than just a game, but our national pastime. Along the way, we'll learn about the players and other characters who have become legends. We will see how baseball is part of the bigger story of our country. We'll also learn how to appreciate the game through fun exercises and projects that highlight the finer points of play. Wear your team gear and join us! It's going to be a Homerun!

The Beatles: Their Impact on Music, Culture, and Fashion - The Beatles were trailblazers in the music industry. This class will discuss how they changed the way music was recorded, their influence on the art world and American (and world) culture. Students will learn about the many fashion changes, hair styles they brought about . Students will also come to appreciate how the Beatles incorporated music from other cultures into mainstream pop music.

Budgeting & Finance - This class will introduce students to the concept of money, forms of currency, budgeting and saving. Students will learn the “how to” of managing a checking account and using an ATM to deposit or withdraw funds. Students will learn about gift cards and how to use them to purchase goods. The course will conclude with a trip to the local bank.

College 101 - This course is organized for each individual to learn how to have a successful experience on a campus and maximize what they are learning at their own individualized level. Topics will include: school spirit, school clubs/organizations, self-advocacy and accommodations, student handbook, campus safety, etc.

Comic Book Studies and the History of the Modern Day Superhero - Superheroes, superheroes, we all love superheroes! From Superman and Batman in 1938 and 1939, to Spider-Man in 1962, comic book superheroes continue to be the world’s greatest storytelling media. This class will explore the history of all things comic books, including the lineage of comic books in popular fiction from comic almanacs and early periodicals, story papers, dime novels, to short-form strip comics, the action-filled superheroes from the two powerhouse comic book corporations of Marvel and DC and their “marvelous” creations including The Incredible Hulk, Spider-Man, Fantastic Four, Batman, Superman, Wonder Woman, Justice League, and hundreds of other characters and independent, underground, and alternative publishers including IDW, Valiant Comics, Mirage, Dark Horse Comics, and their awesome creations including Spawn, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, Ninjak, Bloodshot, The Walking Dead, and many others. We will be reading, examining, and discussing comics and their connection to toys, cartoons, movies, and popular culture. Students will have the opportunity to create their own comic books. Students will also be given the opportunity to share their own personal connection to comic books and their beloved characters.

Comic Book Studies: Heroes and Villains, Part 2 - Today we live in a world where grandmother, mother, and son all know who Spider-Man is. Why? The answer to this question dates back nearly 100 years ago. Building off the previous course, Comic Book Studies: Heroes and Villains Part 2 will explore Marvel, DC, and other companies leading the comic book industry. We will examine the classic dynamic of Good vs. Evil, which is the classic trademark of storytelling, especially in comic books. Students will study: Early beginnings of famous superheroes like Superman in 1938 and Batman in 1939; The history of heroes and villains in popular fiction from comic almanacs and early periodicals, storypapers, dime novels, to short-form strip comics; What makes a good superhero and what makes a good “bad” villain; The culture, subculture, and influence of the Marvel and DC universe; Mavel’s “marvelous” creations including The Incredible Hulk, Spider-Man, Fantastic Four; DC’s

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“dazzling” creations including Superman, Batman, Wonder Woman, Justice League, and hundreds of other characters; Independent, underground, and alternative publishers including IDW, Valiant Comics, Mirage, Dark Horse Comics, and their awesome creations including Spawn, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, Ninjak, Bloodshot, The Walking Dead, and many others. We will be reading, examining, and discussing comics and their connection to toys, cartoons, movies, and popular culture. Students will have the opportunity to explore different ways to create their own heroes, villains, and comic books. Students will also be given the opportunity to share their own personal connection to comic books and these beloved characters.

Creative Writing - Have you ever thought about the power of the written word? What makes a good story or a good poem? How is your personality reflected in your writing? Creative writing skills can help you to discover ways to think more creatively and implement creative thought processes in your life. In this course, students will explore a variety of outlets for creative writing such as Short stories, Poetry, Fiction and Nonfiction, Persuasive writing, Drama , and Descriptive writing. Through reading and writing exercises, collaboration and discussion, students will learn more about their own creative process. Join us to learn the fundamentals of creative writing and experience the joys that it can bring! Students will also learn where their creative writing skills can assist them in day to day activities, from home to work.

The Complete History of Disney - The Complete History of Disney will focus on the history of Walt Disney himself as a young entrepreneur with a dream, through his days of being one of the most successful businessmen to date. The course will also provide in-depth detail of Disney theme parks history, including the rides, entertainment, and food. We will look at how Disney, the company, has grown to be the multi-media giant that it is today, influencing modern culture the world over. This course is perfect for everyone, from those who just enjoy Disney movies to the most seasoned of Mouseketeers!

Developing Your Interests & Talents - Students will complete a survey of their indoor and outdoor recreational interests. Throughout the session, students will learn about new ways to develop their talents and grow their areas of interest. Topics will include: music, dancing, sports, drawing, acting, movies, cooking, gardening and more.

Disabilities in Film - This course presents an overview and discussion of how issues relating to disabilities have been shown in popular film and television across the years. Have these depictions changed? Have they affected the broader culture? Attendees will be encouraged to view films and shows between sessions and bring their own examples to the discussion. Although not required, attendees can share their personal responses to what they watch. Individual sessions will show selected scenes from movies/shows such as My Left Foot, Glee, Rain Man, The Elephant Man, Born on the Fourth of July, What's Eating Gilbert Grape, etc. Sessions will not be spent watching entire television episodes or films. Participants may plan and share ways to snack healthy while watching movies and television.

Disney Through the Decades: Film Analysis - If there is something in common for everyone, that would be the love of Disney. Whether you are a fan of Fantasia, Beauty and The Beast or Star Wars: The Force Awakens, we can agree that Disney has remained a leader in the entertainment industry surrounding their films. Students will engage in viewing Disney films through an analytical lens, breaking down elements such as technology, theme, sound, direction, and more.

Establishing Healthy Social Connections: Part 1 - This course is adapted from the Second-Step "Circles" curriculum, developed by Leslie Walker-Hirsch and is an introduction to relationship training for students with mild to moderate cognitive challenges. Coursework will emphasize the importance of social boundaries, understanding different types of relationships, social media, stranger safety, relationship changes, reading body language, social cues, and social etiquette. Students will participate in a variety of engaging activities to learn complex material in a fun and memorable way. Skills learned will help students with social relationships as well as build critical skills for "on the job" success.

Establishing Healthy Social Connections: Part 2 - This course uses multiple curriculum sources and focuses on relationship training, safety and character building for students with mild to moderate cognitive challenges. Coursework will emphasize the importance of social boundaries, understanding different types of relationships, stranger safety, relationship changes, reading body language, social cues, diversity and social etiquette. Students will participate in a variety of engaging activities to learn complex material in a fun and memorable way.

Evolution of Hip Hop I - This class will explore the history and current state of the music, culture, and art form known as hip hop. With roots in jazz, funk, rhythm and blues, and soul, hip hop has grown from an underground, urban art form into a global, multi-billion dollar industry. Students will be given the opportunity to share their own personal connection to hip hop through dance, creative expression, and performance and meet professional breakdancers whose lives have been positively shaped by hip hop.

Evolution of Hip Hop II - This course will explore the history of hip hop and its culture, including music, dance, fashion, economics, politics, and entertainment. Building off of the previous course, Evolution of Hip Hop 1, this course will explore the current state of hip hop, and delve into the 1990's and 2000's. We will also review hip hop's roots in jazz, funk, rhythm and blues, and soul from the early 1970s and 1980s. Topics covered in the course will be the four elements of hip hop, hip hop's commercialization and global impact, famous hip hop dances and party hits throughout the ages, hip hop's impact on youth, and women in hip hop. This course will also explore the dichotomy within hip hop including what makes a hip hop artist authentic (race, class, sexuality, or gender). There is still much to learn as hip hop enters its 45th year in existence.

Film Appreciation - This class is designed to enhance understanding and appreciation of film and television. Students will learn how elements such as editing, cinematography, sound and set design work together to develop stories and characters. We will explore deeper meanings and patterns in film and television and how the art form has developed over the years. The class presents a range of films, including Born This Way, Autism In Love and Wonder. Television shows such as The Good Doctor will also be screened. Students will be encouraged to view films and shows between sessions and bring their own examples to the discussion. Although not required, students can share their personal responses to what they watch. Sessions will not be spent watching entire television episodes or films. Participants will plan and share ways to snack healthy while watching movies and TV.

From Horses to Horsepower: How Automobiles Changed the World - In the early 1900's, automobiles changed the way we live and travel. Gone were the days when it would take an entire day to go from Stony Brook to Centereach and back. Local merchants were now able to sell their goods to families from several states away. Life became easier if you had an automobile. Everyone wanted one. Today we can travel the same distance in 20-30 minutes. How did this happen? In 1903, Henry Ford figured out a way to build cars faster than anyone else in the world. He created unimaginable wealth for his family by introducing new methods for large scale manufacturing. The Ford Motor company helped put America on the forefront of

ingenuity, through the invention of the assembly line. Henry Ford unleashed a new way to build just about everything, and these methods are still used in just about every factory around the world. This class will take a look at how the automobile industry changed the way we live, travel and work in the 21st century. We will also look at how the assembly line changed the way most products are made and sold today. Step back in time, as we explore the way the automobile changed our lives forever.

From Wild Animals to Domestic Pets: A History of the Animal Kingdom - This course teaches about many different animal species, from the creatures that roam the jungles to the pets living in our homes. Students learn what domestication means, how long humans have been domesticating animals, and why. The course explores basic care of domesticated pets and what precautions should be taken when handling pets and meeting new furry friends. The course also reviews human impact on wildlife, discusses what extinction means and explores endangered animals. In the process, students look at worldwide efforts to preserve wildlife and to rescue pets that have been maltreated or neglected.

Fundamentals of Successful Human Relationships - This class explores many aspects of the complex world of human relationships, from online to IRL friendships and closer, more intimate types of relationships. There is so much that goes into this topic! Students will learn strategies and concepts relating to communication, decision-making and problem-solving in relationships, gender identity, self-advocacy, personal boundaries and SAFETY, managing emotions and internet & social media. Everyone has relationships. This class will teach the skills that lead to personal growth and success in all types.

Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry - Students will study the second book in the Harry Potter series, The Chamber of Secrets. We will break down the magical elements of JK Rowling's writing including, characterization, theme, descriptive writing and so on. Students will compare and contrast the novel to the ever-popular film version of The Chamber of Secrets. It is recommended that students have read The Sorcerer's Stone prior to taking this course in order to avoid any spoilers that may be present.

Health & Wellness - This course covers a number of dimensions of health & wellness concerning health of mind, body & spirit. Sample topics include, but are not limited to, basic personal care and basic first aid, relationships, maintaining a safe personal space, safe community engagement and volunteer/work/career skills and self-advocacy. The session will draw heavily from curriculum developed by Dan Crimmins and colleagues, “My Health, My Choice, My Responsibility”.

Healthy Social Relationships, The Body & Sexuality - The primary focus of this course will be self-advocacy in human relationships and sexuality. Sexual feelings and needs are a healthy and normal part of life. Sexual self-advocacy empowers people to have healthy romantic relationships, to make informed choices, to be safe, and to express their desires and needs. This course will provide resources and tools to make healthy sexual choices. Students will learn and use medically accurate, and age appropriate, correct terms that prepare them to talk about their body and their experiences. The class lessons will consist of lectures, small group discussions and activities using correct information that supports sexual self-advocacy, and will be tailored to meet the individual needs of each student. Topics include: Different types of relationships, Public and Private Communication, Moving from friend to Partner/Sweetheart, and the Many Roads to Being in a Relationship.

The History of Rock N’ Roll - Since the 1950's, Rock and Roll has had a major influence on world culture. In the early years of music’s transformation from acoustic to electric instruments, television played a major role in bringing this new style of music to audiences around the globe. Some musicians incorporated different cultural influences into their music, while others used their fame and fortune to help shed light and raise money for victims of social injustice and famine. This class will look at the history of Rock and Roll from the 1950's to the early 2000's. We will discuss television shows such as American Bandstand with Dick Clark, the Ed Sullivan Show, Saturday Night Live, as well as other programs that had banner breakout performances. We will discuss Elvis, Beatlemania and other British influences, the Woodstock Festivals, and Live Aid. We will look at how MTV changed the Rock and Roll industry in the 1980's and 1990's. We will touch on how Rock and Roll has influenced other styles of music and fashion. We will finish the semester by discussing the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland, OH.

History of Yoga - This course explores the almost 2,000-year-old practice that originated in India and has now become popular in Western Countries, specifically the United States. It has recently been reported that more than 20 million (!!) people do some form of yoga each year. We will explore questions around the practice, such as: Is yoga a religion? Can yoga heal you? Why do some doctors recommend yoga to their patients? This course will answer these questions and much more. We will analyze ancient texts like the Bhagavad Gita and Yoga Sutras, and explain how the words, mantras, and lessons within them are used and still relevant today. We will learn about the many different types of yoga, including Hatha, Iyengar, Kundalini, and Yin Yoga and discuss what they are, where they came from, and their applications to physical and emotional health. Gentle physical practice will also be introduced and taught by a certified yoga instructor.

Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry - Through this course we will be learning all things Hogwarts through sections of the incomparable Harry Potter series by J.K Rowling and the movies under the same name. Students will learn all there is to know about Transfiguration, Charms, Potions, History of Magic, Defense Against The Dark Arts, Astronomy and Herbology as depicted in the books, films and play. Flying lessons will not be offered, however.

Independent Community Living - This course focuses on topics which promote independent community living. Students will participate in engaging social activities as they learn complex material in fun and enriching way manner. Instruction modules include: Safety Skills, Work-related skills and "Out and About" Skills.

Intro To Acting - Intro to Acting is a course dedicated to different acting techniques, scene work, and monologues. This is a performance class. It will focus on different styles of acting and when to use them in a scene. Emphasis will also be placed on how to work with acting exercises, discuss character, text, etc. Students will learn about acting through individual and group exercises and will be strongly encouraged to be active participants. Acting skills, even if not applied as part of a production, can help in building confidence and becoming stronger self-advocates.

Intro to Improv - Improvisational theater, or Improv, is a style of acting where the performers do not have scripts or pre-planned dialogue. This introductory course is for anyone that would like to learn more about the basic rules and tools of Improv, while having fun learning! Students will explore the history and practice of Improvisational theater, starting with the ancient Greeks and moving through the centuries to modern day. Learn why this has become

such a popular acting technique! In this course, students will examine the influence of different audiences, environments and situations and how they change what the performer does on stage. Videos and guest performers will help expand the students' knowledge on this subject. Students will also learn how public speaking and the ability to “think on your feet” can help in their personal and professional lives. Students will engage in games and activities to explore how Improvisation can be a vital tool in different settings.

Introduction to iPad & Social Networking - Students will learn to use the iPad and social media in a safe and responsible manner. They will learn aspects of the iPad that will allow them to create task lists, plan trips to places of special interest, and use email and Facebook, Instagram and other social media platforms to communicate with friends. This may help students to become more independent and develop more independent routines.

Life Lessons as Reflected Through Television/Animation - Are TV sitcoms and cartoons nothing more than a silly diversion for our amusement? Perhaps...but maybe sometimes there is more to the story. Maybe some of these shows aim to model important life lessons while also entertaining us. What can be learned from shows such as Fuller House, Friends, Seinfeld and cartoons (Doug, Hey Arnold!, etc.) and others? Many episodes seem to deliberately embed moral lessons into their storylines. Students will examine some of these shows (and more) to see what life lessons they convey and how they might actually be applied in their own lives. How do social and emotional dynamics play out amongst friends & acquaintances? Why is it sometimes so hard to meet new people? How best to get along with family and coworkers? Through brief television/animation clips, students will learn to identify life lessons and concepts through independent and group assignments. Value will be placed on identifying, understanding, practicing and applying what is learned in their own social circles.

Long Island: Past & Present - This class explores the richness and diversity of Long Island. A portion of the sessions will be devoted to history of Long Island. A greater focus will be on living on Long Island as it is today. Topics will include the different regions/townships and the features of each, what is fun & interesting about living here, how to find opportunities for recreation, working and living in different parts of the Island, options for transportation, lifelong learning and community engagement.

Money Wise - Many young adults struggle with understanding the use of money and establishing and maintaining a budget. While everyone makes money mistakes from time to time, now is the time to get money wise! Recognizing the difference between needs, wants and goals is a great place to start. Small choices we make on a daily basis affect what we are able to achieve with the money available to us. This course starts with basic concepts of money, saving and spending wisely. Topics such as comparison shopping and online shopping pitfalls will be discussed. By the end of the course, students will identify and set their own future goals and establish a system for staying on track with a budget. Even if you have never thought about budgeting, it's always a good time to get money wise! This class will teach valuable money skills for students at all levels in a fun and enriching manner.

Music & the Arts - This class is a broad overview of music and the arts around the world and locally. Students will explore how music and the arts are influenced by each other and how both have impacted human culture. Musical styles reviewed range from classical music to the pop music of today. Based on a college campus, an emphasis will be on how one might experience the diverse array of music & the arts - on campus, on Long Island, into New York City and beyond. There will be plenty of examples provided—via video and maybe even live. Students may also get an opportunity to do group activities that will engage their creativity.

The New Age of Movie Musicals - As a continuation of our very popular “The Movie Musical” course, “The New Age of Movie Musicals” focuses on the new style of movie musicals that we all love! Movie Musicals continue to be a staple in households across the world. Students will learn about advancements in the technology of film, movie musical stars of our decade, as well as gain new perspectives and analytic skills of these movies. Some examples of new-age movie musicals include Mamma Mia!, Hairspray, Into The Woods, The Greatest Showman, and Cats! Students do not need to have taken the first “The Movie Musical” course to join.

Overview of Musical Theater - Overview of Musical Theater will cover musicals from their beginning to modern day and what makes them so special. This course will explore American musical theatre and enhance students’ knowledge of the arts, emphasizing the interplay of musical and dramatic values. We will be focusing on productions that revolutionized the industry, whether through technological, musical, conceptual, or social innovations. Students will expand upon their understanding of musical theatre history and its rich tradition.

Overview of Theater Arts - Do you love the theater? Have you ever wanted to learn more about acting? This is the course for you! Theater Arts will provide an overview of theater, introducing students to various dramatic platforms, such as plays, musicals, monologues and other dramatic platforms. Students will strengthen interpersonal relationships and self-advocacy skills through learning about the audition, casting, and rehearsal process. Students will learn how to choose a monologue, take a great headshot, prepare for cold reads, and practice scene work with peers. Examples of performance will be given in class and through video and audio media. Guest speakers will also share their experiences involving theater. For their final projects, students are asked to perform their choice of theater: monologue, scene work, or song. This course is open to students with no performance experience, as well as those looking add to existing skills.

Physical Health & the Body - This course will give students an understanding of good physical health and how to maintain physical health and well-being, both now and in the future. Topics will include: bodily systems, how to recognize good health and bad health and what each may feel like, where to seek help when one feels sick and how foods and chemicals affect the body. Students will learn about proper nutrition and exercise by engaging in fun, interesting and practical learning activities. Guest speakers will share their expertise on relevant topics to give students the information and tools to maintain a healthy lifestyle.

Planet Earth and Our Solar System - The night sky occasionally unveils a stunning display of sparkling wonder. Did you know that some of those brighter stars are actually planets in our Solar System? Jupiter, Saturn and Venus can be seen regularly without a telescope, if you know where to look. Is Earth the only planet that has life on it? Recent discoveries on Mars revealed that there may be life on the Red Planet. How did we discover this information? The space program NASA has been sending astronauts and satellites into space for decades. Students in this class will learn about some of these missions and what they've discovered as they traveled millions of miles from Earth. Each planet's unique characteristics will be covered, including the controversial Pluto.

Playwright, Producer, Performer! - Have you ever wondered what it is like to write or direct a play? How about performing in a streamed-online production? This class is for you! Students will learn the fundamentals of playwriting, develop their writing skills, and embrace their theatrical mind as we work together to write a one-act play. Students will then rehearse as we prepare to perform our one-act play virtually through Zoom. Theatre and the arts continue to bring us together, even while we are learning from home. Join us for an incredible learning experience where we will allow our creative minds to grow!

Prehistoric Life in the Mesozoic Era: “Age of the Dinosaur” - This course will review the 180 million “Age of the Dinosaur,” the Mesozoic Era. The Mesozoic Era is characterized by the evolution of many species and marked by two major extinction events at the beginning and end. Most notably, it is known for the period when dinosaurs reigned and dominated the planet. In this class, we will investigate major plant and animal groups that emerged during the Mesozoic Era. Students will be able to: Identify and discuss the three major periods of the era; Discuss the shifting of world climate, geography, and the effects on living species; Identify various dinosaur species and other animal species and how they adapted to their environments.

Safety in the Home & Community - This course focuses on safety in the home and community and the American Red Cross recommendations to prepare for emergencies. Students will participate in engaging activities as they learn complex material in a fun, interactive and enriching way.

Self Advocacy - This class will be discussing a very important skill for success, Self-Advocacy! Learning the skill of Self-Advocacy gives us the ability to speak up for ourselves, find out what we like and dislike, learning how to get information on activities we enjoy, knowing our rights, finding support, learning about self-determination and much more! It is an important part of our ability to be as independent as possible. We will discuss and go deep into the understanding of what Self Advocacy truly is. Students will be able to speak up for themselves, become self-aware, understand their needs and how to communicate them, discover and express their goals and ambitions, learn to problem solve and find ways to get information on activities they enjoy. There is so much that we can learn about ourselves through Self-Advocacy and apply to our lives.

Social Media - Getting Connected and Staying Safe - Social media is used in a variety of ways in our day-to-day lives. Many social media platforms exist, such as Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Snapchat, LinkedIn, WhatsApp, and Email. Students will discuss and review the basics of using social media appropriately and the uses and benefits of the different platforms. Students will further explore safety issues, such as: personal privacy, awareness of strangers, appropriate content, cyber-bullying, scams, phishing, catfishing, information permanence and more. Students will leave this course feeling more confident in communication and networking through social media, while feeling prepared to use social media effectively. Students will leave feeling connected and safe.

Strategies for Post-Secondary Success - The course provides an overview of topic areas important for post-secondary students. This includes communication skills (at home and in the community), dressing for success, pre-vocational skill development, health and safety, and meal planning. Students will engage in various activities to learn practical, useful skills and local guest speakers will share information in their areas of expertise.

Topics in American TV: Sci-Fi/Fantasy - Students will learn about how America became the leader in Sci-Fi/Fantasy TV and Film production. Highlighted shows and themes will include: Star Trek, The Twilight Zone, Star Wars, Dr. Who, Stranger Things, Once Upon a Time, The Magicians, American Gods, and Game of Thrones and more! Students will also engage in learning about the culture and fandoms of Sci-Fi and Fantasy that are influencing the world today.

Total Communication I - Communication takes on many forms. Total communication refers to the complete manner in which people let their ideas be known to others. It is done through spoken words, but also through the use of body language, facial expressions and even sign language. In this class, the 1st in a 2-semester sequence, we will look at all aspects of how communication occurs, Total Communication. Developed in collaboration with the LIU Post Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders, Total Communication I will focus on “unaided” types communication. The class Instructor, along with guest lecturers with expertise in the various subject matter covered, will present instructional modules of 3 class sessions each in the following categories: Animal Communication, The Sounds We Make, Body Language, Facial Expressions (Emotional Communication) and Sign Language.

World Cultures - This course is an overview of the world’s major cultures. The study of each of these cultures will focus upon historical and present-day culture and topics including: Daily life, social norms, public and civic institutions. The class will make use of audio-visual materials, printed materials, visiting speakers and classroom discussion to explore similarities and differences of the human experience across cultures. Where appropriate, samples of cuisines from the various cultures may be shared.