

COURSE NUMBER: 1200
COURSE TITLE: Career Apprenticeship
COURSE LENGTH: Semester or Year

Students can only be enrolled in one off campus work site per semester. For example: If a student is interested in business and in a teaching field, one semester of the senior year could be devoted to an apprenticeship site and one semester could be devoted to a cadet teaching site. If a student is interested in business and the medical field, that student may spend one semester at a business site and one semester in a medical field but will not be able to participate in the cadet teaching program. If a student is interested in teaching, they can enroll for both semesters in the cadet teaching program, but will not be eligible for an apprenticeship placement. Those wanting an exception must appeal to Mr. Westerberg.

PREREQUISITE: The student must:

1. be a senior eligible for graduation with his/her class
2. complete and return an application form and be accepted into the program based on their attendance and discipline record
3. after being accepted, must arrange for a work experience/apprenticeship which meets qualifications and interests of the student in relation to his/her career objectives and the ability of the job site to provide an appropriate learning experience.

GRADE LEVEL: 12

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course provides a senior the opportunity to learn more about a particular occupation of interest. Students will receive on-the-job training and career exposure provided by a job mentor. This experience is designed for students who have demonstrated an interest in a particular occupation or field through the results of interest inventory tests, and/or having prepared for a career in a particular field due to the types of courses taken in high school, i.e., a student has taken several business courses and therefore would find a mentor in an office or financial institution. Students may elect to participate for one or both semesters and the time spent at the worksite will be based on a student's interests, scheduling opportunities, and availability of the on-the-job experience. Students will receive pass/fail credit. This educational experience is not meant as a regular employment, therefore, students will not be paid.

METHOD OF INSTRUCTION:

Job site mentors will teach students about their careers. Students will have a hands-on experience in the actual career area of their interest.

ASSESSMENT:

Students will be rated by the mentor based on an apprenticeship rating scale. Throughout the semester the students will be given individual assignments to complete related to their apprenticeship experience. Participants will also be required to meet on a monthly basis during seminar and to keep accurate logs and time sheets. The final portion of the students grade will be the semester project. The teacher/coordinator will assign a pass or fail grade based on the ratings.

CRITICAL OBJECTIVES:

1. to keep a daily journal of experiences and situations that occur at the participating business site.
2. to keep accurate time logs of their involvement with the participating business.
3. to refrain from discussing confidential matters that directly or indirectly effect the participating business.

4. to give sufficient notice of an absence or tardiness to the participating business.
5. to cooperate with the participating business and the supervisors.
6. to complete a nine-week and end-of-semester project describing in detail the experiences of the apprenticeship.
7. to attend necessary meetings called by the supervisor
8. to complete individual assignments given by the supervising teacher.