

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Student Financial Assistance Commission Office of Student Financial Assistance Scholarship/Grant Programs TOPS Core Curriculum Equivalent (LAC 28:IV.703)

The Louisiana Student Financial Assistance Commission (LASFAC) is exercising the emergency provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act [R.S. 49:953(B)] to amend and re-promulgate the rules of the Scholarship/Grant programs (R.S. 17:3021-3025, R.S. 3041.10-3041.15, and R.S. 17:3042.1.1-3042.8, R.S. 17:3048.1, R.S. 56:797.D(2)).

This rulemaking adds Law Studies as a course equivalent to World History, Western Civilization, World Geography and History of Religion in the TOPS core curriculum for students who graduate from high school during the 2013-2014 Academic Year (high school).

This rulemaking adds certain courses taught the New Orleans Center for Creative Arts (NOCCA) as course equivalents to designated courses in the TOPS core curriculum for students who graduate from NOCCA.

The emergency rules are necessary to implement changes to the Scholarship/Grant programs to allow the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance and state educational institutions to effectively administer these programs. A delay in promulgating rules would have an adverse impact on the financial welfare of the eligible students and the financial condition of their families. LASFAC has determined that these emergency rules are necessary in order to prevent imminent financial peril to the welfare of the affected students.

This declaration of emergency is effective September 16, 2014, and shall remain in effect for the maximum period allowed under the Administrative Procedure Act. (SG15156E)

TITLE 28 EDUCATION

Part IV. Student Financial Assistance—Higher Education Scholarship and Grant Programs

Chapter 7. Taylor Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS) Opportunity, Performance, and Honors Awards

§703.A. – A.5.a.ii.(c) ...

(d). (i). For students graduating in academic year (high school) 2010-2011 through academic year (high school) 2016-17, for purposes of satisfying the requirements of §703.A.5.a.i above, or §803.A.6.a, the following courses shall be considered equivalent to the identified core courses and may be substituted to satisfy corresponding core courses.

Core Curriculum Course	Equivalent (Substitute) Course
Physical Science	Integrated Science
Algebra I	Algebra I, Parts 1 and 2, Integrated Mathematics I, Applied Algebra I
Applied Algebra IA and IB	Applied Mathematics I and II

Core Curriculum Course	Equivalent (Substitute) Course
Algebra I, Algebra II and Geometry	Integrated Mathematics I, II and III
Algebra II	Integrated Mathematics II
Geometry	Integrated Mathematics III, Applied Geometry
Geometry, Trigonometry, Calculus, or Comparable Advanced Mathematics	Pre-Calculus, Algebra III, Probability and Statistics, Discrete Mathematics, Applied Mathematics III*, Advanced Math - Pre-Calculus**, Advanced Math - Functions and Statistics***
Chemistry	Chemistry Com
Earth Science, Environmental Science, Physical Science, Biology II, Chemistry II, Physics, Physics II, or Physics for Technology or Agriscience I and II (both for 1 unit;	Anatomy and Physiology
Fine Arts Survey	Speech III and Speech IV (both units)
Western Civilization	European History
World Geography	AP Human Geography
Civics	AP American Government
*Applied Mathematics III was formerly referred to as Applied Geometry **Advanced Math—Pre-Calculus was formerly referred to as Advanced Mathematics II ***Advanced Math—Functions and Statistics was formerly referred to as Advanced Mathematics II	

(ii). For students graduating in academic year (high school) 2013-2014 only, for purposes of satisfying the requirements of §703.A.5.a.i above, or §803.A.6.a., in addition to the equivalent courses identified in §703.A.5.(a).ii.(d).i. above, the following course shall be considered equivalent to the identified core courses and may be substituted to satisfy corresponding core courses.

<u>Core Curriculum Course</u>	<u>Equivalent (Substitute) Course</u>
<u>World History, Western Civilization, World Geography or History of Religion</u>	<u>Law Studies</u>

A.5.a.ii.(e). – A.5.a.iii.(b).

iv. Beginning with academic year (high school) 2013-2014, for purposes of satisfying the requirements of §703.A.5.a.i above, in addition to the courses identified in §703.A.5.a.ii, the following courses shall be considered equivalent to the identified core courses and may be substituted to satisfy corresponding core courses for students of the New Orleans Center for Creative Arts.

<u>Core Curriculum Course</u>	<u>Equivalent (Substitute) Course</u>
<u>English I</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated English I</u>
<u>English II</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated English II</u>
<u>English III</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated English III</u>
<u>English IV</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated English IV</u>
<u>Algebra I</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated Mathematics I</u>
<u>Geometry</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated Mathematics II</u>
<u>Algebra II</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated Mathematics III</u>
<u>Advanced Math – Functions and Statistics</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated Mathematics IV</u>
<u>Physical Science</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated Science I</u>
<u>Biology</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated Science II</u>
<u>Environmental Science</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated Science III</u>
<u>Chemistry</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated Science IV</u>
<u>World Geography</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated History I</u>
<u>World History</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated History II</u>
<u>Civics</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated History III</u>
<u>U. S. History</u>	<u>NOCCA Integrated History IV</u>

A.5.b. – J.4.b.ii. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 17:3021-3025, R.S. 17:3042.1, and R.S. 17:3048.1.

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