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TOPICS:	Change to the Scholarship and Grant Program Rules to add AP Human Geography as an equivalent to World Geography in the TOPS core curriculum.

The Louisiana Student Financial Assistance Commission, at its meeting held April 18, 2013, approved Emergency Rules and Notice of Intent that incorporates curriculum changes proposed and adopted by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) and approved by the Board of Regents into the rules governing the TOPS Core Curriculum.

These changes amend Section 703 of the Scholarship and Grant Program Rules to add AP Human Geography as an equivalent to World Geography in the Taylor Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS) core curriculum, as follows:

Core Curriculum Course	Equivalent Substitute Course
World Geography 220300	AP Human Geography 220310 (College Board AP Course Title AP Human Geography/Louisiana Equivalent Course Title World Geography)

This change is retroactive to students graduating in 2007 and later, and affects the TOPS Opportunity, Performance, Honors, and Tech Awards.

See Emergency Rule at http://www.osfa.la.gov/MainSitePDFs/policy4_SG13146E.pdf.

See Notice of Intent http://www.osfa.la.gov/MainSitePDFs/policy4_SG13146NI.pdf.

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