



**ARIZONA AUTISM**  
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# **Online High School Course Catalog**

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# Electives

## Career Exploration AZ22151

**Grade: 10**

**Programs: All**

**Credit: .5 per semester Elective**

**Repeatable: Yes**

**Grade Scale: A-F**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Career Exploration course will identify and evaluate personal goals, priorities, aptitudes, and interests to help them make informed decisions about their careers. These courses expose students to various sources of information on career and training options and may also assist them in developing job search and employability skills. Students will explore through the use of the PAES Lab. relevant to their lives.

## Computer and Information Technology AZ100003

**Grade: 9-12**

**Programs: All**

**Credit: .5 per semester Elective**

**Repeatable: Yes**

**Grade Scale: A-F**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Computer and Information Technology courses teach students to operate and use computer and information technology, emphasizing their role as tools to communicate more effectively, conduct research more efficiently, and increase productivity. Course content includes the legal and ethical issues involved with computer technology and its use.

## Life Skills AZ72206

**Grade: 11**

**Programs: All**

**Credit: .5 per semester Elective**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Life Skills course will be provided information about a wide range of subjects to assist students in becoming wise consumers and productive adults. These

courses often emphasize such topics as goal setting, decision making, and setting priorities; money and time management; relationships; and the development of the self. Practical exercises regarding selecting and furnishing houses, meeting transportation needs, preparing food, selecting clothing, and building a wardrobe are often integral to these classes. In addition, specific topics such as insurance, taxation, and consumer protection may also be covered.

## **Project Lit! (Language Arts Laboratory - AZ01009)**

**Grades: 9-12**

**Programs: Academic and Modified**

**Credit: .5 per semester**

**Grade Scale: A-F**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

This class will be in a book club-type format with guided discussion through narration and open-ended discussion. In this format, the student will increase and improve basic language skills, integrating reading, writing, speaking, and listening, while placing great emphasis on the progress of individual students. Course content depends upon students' abilities and may include vocabulary building, improving spelling and grammar, developing writing and composition skills, reading silently or aloud, and improving listening and comprehension abilities.

## **Publication Production - AZ11104**

**Grades: 10-12**

**Programs: Academic and Modified**

**Credit: .5 per semester**

**Grade Scale: A-F**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Curriculum: [Teachers Pay Teachers Yearbook Curriculum Bundle \(temp option until we can take a more permanent solution for board approval\)](#)**

**Course Description:** Publication Production courses provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary to produce the school newspaper, yearbook, literary magazine, or other printed publication. Students may gain experience in several components (writing, editing, layout, production, and so on) or may focus on a single aspect while producing the publication.

## **School Orientation AZ22102**

**Grade: 9**

**Program: All**

**Credit: .5 per semester- Elective**

**Grade Scale: Pass/Fail**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** School Orientation provides students with an introduction to the culture of being a high school student at AZACS so that they understand staff expectations and the school's structure and conventions. This course will serve as the initial steps for student's transition planning and career exploration.

## **Self Management AZ AZ22207**

**Grade: 9-12**

**Program: All**

**Credit: .5 per semester- Elective**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Self-Management courses introduce students to the skills and strategies helpful in becoming more focused, productive individuals. These courses typically emphasize goal-setting; decision-making; managing time, energy, and stress; and identifying alternatives and coping strategies. They may also allow students to explore various career and lifestyle choices.

## **Miscellaneous - Independent Study AZ22997**

**Grade: 9-12**

**Program: All**

**Credit: .5 per semester- Elective**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Miscellaneous—Independent Study courses, typically organized as a mentorship with a teacher or outside professional, enable students to conduct investigations related to their field(s) of interest. Note: if the particular subject area is known, use the code associated with the Independent Study course within that subject area.

## **Workplace Experience AZ22998**

**Grades: 12+**

**Programs: Academic and Modified**

**Credit: .5 per Semester- Elective**

**Grade Scale: Pass/Fail**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Workplace Experience courses provide students with work experience in a field related to their interests. Goals are typically set cooperatively by the student, teacher, and

employer (although students are not necessarily paid). These courses may include classroom activities as well, involving further study of the field or discussion regarding experiences that students encounter in the workplace. Note: if the particular subject area is known, use the code associated with the Workplace Experience course within that subject area.

## Fine and Performing Arts

*All courses in this department will meet AZACS requirements for Fine Art Credit or Elective Credit. See the course description for further details.*

### **Art Portfolio I AZ05170**

**Grades: 9-12**

**Programs: Academic and Modified**

**Credit: .5 per semester Fine Arts or Elective**

**Grade Scale: A-F**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Art Portfolio course will allow students to create a professional body of work that reflects their personal style and talent. Students are often encouraged to display their work publicly.

### **Art Portfolio II**

**Grade: 10-12**

**Program: Academic and Modified**

**Credit: .5 per semester Elective**

**Grade Scale: A-F**

**Prerequisite: Art Portfolio I**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Art Portfolio course will allow students to create a professional body of work that reflects their personal style and talent. Students are often encouraged to display their work publicly.

# Career and Technical Education

*All courses in this department will meet AZACS requirements for Career and Technical Education Credit or Elective Credit. See the course description for further details.*

## Digital Photography I AZ11924

**Grades: 10-12**

**Programs: Academic and Modified**

**Credit: 1.0 CTE or Elective**

**Grade Scale: A-F**

**CTE Code: 50.0605.14**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** These courses are designed to give students the skills necessary to support and enhance their learning about digital medial technology. Topics covered in the course may include internet research, copyright laws, web publishing, use of digital imagery, electronic forums, newsgroups, mailing lists, presentation tools, and project planning.

## Digital Photography II AZ11156

**Grades: 11-12**

**Programs: Academic and Modified**

**Credit: 1.0 CTE or Elective**

**Grade Scale: A-F**

**Prerequisite: Digital Photography I**

**CTE Code: 50.0605.50**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Photography and Printing Technology courses expose students to the tools, materials, and processes involved in mass production of photography and printing. Types of printing covered in the course may include intaglio, relief, planographic, screen processes printing, silk screening, serigraphy processes, and thermograph. Additional topics may include the use of cameras, composition, imposition, presswork, and computer-aided publishing.



# English Language Arts

*All courses in this department will meet AZACS requirements for English Language Arts or Elective Credit. See the course description for further details.*

## English I AZ01001

**Grade: 9**

**Program: All**

**Credit: 1 English**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the English I course will be taught to build upon students' prior knowledge of grammar, vocabulary, word usage, and the mechanics of writing, and usually include the four aspects of language use: reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Typically, these courses introduce and define various genres of literature, with writing exercises often linked to reading selections.

## English II AZ01002

**Grade: 10**

**Program: All**

**Credit: 1 English**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the English II course will be taught a balanced focus on composition and literature. Typically, students learn about the alternate aims and audiences of written compositions by writing persuasive, critical, and creative multi-paragraph essays and compositions. Through the study of various genres of literature, students can improve their reading rate and comprehension and develop the skills to determine the author's intent and theme and to recognize the techniques used by the author to deliver his or her message.

## **English III AZ01003**

**Grade: 11**

**Program: All**

**Credit: 1 English**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the English III course will be taught to develop students writing skills, emphasizing clear, logical writing patterns, word choice, and usage, as students write essays and begin to learn the techniques of writing research papers. Students continue to read works of literature, which often form the backbone of the writing assignments. Literary conventions and stylistic devices may receive greater emphasis than in previous courses.

## **English IV AZ01004**

**Grade: 12**

**Program: All**

**Credit: 1 English**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the English IV course will be taught to blend composition and literature into a cohesive whole as students write critical and comparative analyses of selected literature, continuing to develop their language arts skills. Typically, students primarily write multi-paragraph essays, but they may also write one or more major research papers.

# **Mathematics**

*All courses in this department will meet AZACS requirements for Mathematics Credit or Elective Credit. See the course description for further details.*

## **Algebra I AZ02052**

**Grade: 9**

**Program: All**

**Credit: 1.0 Mathematics**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Algebra I course will be taught the study of properties and operations of the real number system; evaluating rational algebraic expressions; solving and

graphing first-degree equations and inequalities; translating word problems into equations; operations with and factoring of polynomials; and solving simple quadratic equations.

## **Algebra II AZ02072**

**Grade: 11**

**Program: All**

**Credit: 1.0 Mathematics**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Algebra II course will be taught topics that typically include field properties and theorems; set theory; operations with rational and irrational expressions; factoring of rational expressions; in-depth study of linear equations and inequalities; quadratic equations; solving systems of linear and quadratic equations; graphing of constant, linear, and quadratic equations; properties of higher degree equations; and operations with rational and irrational exponents.

## **Consumer Math #AZ02157**

**Grade 12**

**Program: All**

**Credit: 1 Mathematics**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Consumer Math course will be taught general math topics (such as arithmetic using rational numbers, measurement, ratio and proportion, and basic statistics) and how to apply these skills to consumer problems and situations. Applications typically include budgeting, taxation, credit, banking services, insurance, buying and selling products and services, home and/or car ownership and rental, managing personal income, and investment.

## **Geometry #AZ02072**

**Grade: 10**

**Program: All**

**Credit: 1 Mathematics**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

Students in the Geometry course will be introduced to an abstract, formal approach to the study of geometry, typically including topics such as properties of plane and solid figures; deductive methods of reasoning, and use of logic; geometry as an axiomatic system including

the study of postulates, theorems, and formal proofs; concepts of congruence, similarity, parallelism, perpendicularity, and proportion; and rules of angle measurement in triangles.

Social Studies

*All courses in this department will meet AZACS requirements for Social Studies or Elective Credit. See the course description for further details.*

## **Pre-Algebra**

**Grade: 9-12**

**Program: All**

**Credit: 1.0 Mathematics**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Pre-Algebra courses increase students' foundational math skills and prepare them for Algebra I by covering a variety of topics, such as properties of rational numbers (i.e., number theory), ratio, proportion, estimation, exponents and radicals, the rectangular coordinate system, sets and logic, formulas, and solving first-degree equations and inequalities.

## **Social Studies**

*All courses in this department will meet AZACS requirements for Social Studies Credit or Elective Credit. See the course description for further details.*

## **World History and Geography AZ04052**

**Grade: 10**

**Program: All**

**Credit: 1.0 Social Studies**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the World History and Geography course will be provided an overview of world geography. These courses are often developed in response to increased national concern regarding the importance of geography, and they explore geographical concepts.

## **US History AZ04101**

**Grade: 11**

**Program: All**

**Credit: 1.0 Social Studies**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Comprehensive course will be provided with an overview of the history of the United States, examining periods from discovery or colonialism through World War II or after. These courses typically include a historical overview of political, military, scientific, and social developments. Course content may include a history of the North American peoples before European settlement.

## **Economics AZ04201**

**Grade: 12**

**Program: All**

**Credit: .5 Social Studies**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Economics courses will be provided with an overview of economics with primary emphasis on the principles of microeconomics and the U.S. economic system. These courses may also cover topics such as principles of macroeconomics, international economics, and comparative economics. Economic principles may be presented in formal theoretical contexts, applied contexts, or both.

## **Government # AZ04151**

**Grade: 12**

**Programs: All**

**Credit: .5 Social Studies**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Government courses will be provided with an overview of the structure and functions of the U.S. government and political institutions and examine constitutional principles, the concepts of rights and responsibilities, the role of political parties and interest groups, and the importance of civic participation in the democratic process. These courses may examine the structure and function of state and local governments and may cover certain economic and legal topics.

# Science

*All courses in this department will meet AZACS requirements for Science Credit or Elective Credit. See the course description for further details.*

## **Biology AZ03051**

**Grade 10**

**Program: All**

**Credit: 1 Science**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Biology course will be provided with information regarding the fundamental concepts of life and life processes. This course includes such topics as cell structure and function, general plant and animal physiology, genetics, and taxonomy.

## **Earth/Space Science AZ03008**

**Grade: 11**

**Programs: All**

**Credit: 1 Science**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Earth and Space course will be introduced to the study of the Earth from a local and global perspective. In this course, students typically learn about time zones, latitude and longitude, atmosphere, weather, climate, matter, and energy transfer. Advanced topics often include the study of the use of remote sensing, computer visualization, and computer modeling to enable Earth scientists to understand Earth as a complex and changing planet.

## **Integrated Science AZ03201**

**Grade: 9**

**Programs: All**

**Credit: 1 Science**

**Grade Scale: A-F or Pass/Fail for FA Fundamentals**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Integrated Science course will draw upon the principles of several scientific specialties—earth science, physical science, biology, chemistry, and physics—and organize the material around thematic units. Common themes covered include

systems, models, energy, patterns, change, and constancy. These courses use appropriate aspects from each specialty to investigate applications of the theme.

## World and Native Languages

*All courses in this department will meet AZACS requirements for World and Native Language Credit or Elective Credit. See the course description for further details.*

### American Sign Language I

(Offered in Partnership with ASU Global Academy)

**Grades: 10-12**

**Programs: Academic and Modified**

**Credit: .5 per semester CTE or Elective**

**Grade Scale: A-F**

**CTE Code: 16.1601.10**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** This is the introductory course for the CTE-approved American Sign Language program. Students will Explore, Analyze, and Compare different registers of Language within the Deaf community, and begin to develop skills in ASL and 50 signs.

### American Sign Language II

(Offered in Partnership with ASU Global Academy)

**Grades: 10-12**

**Programs: Academic and Modified**

**Credit: .5 per semester CTE or Elective**

**Grade Scale: A-F**

**CTE Code: 16.1601.20**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** This is the second course for the CTE approved American Sign Language program. The course will add to the sign vocabulary as well as begin to context the sign with grammar, structure, and cultural concepts. The class will also develop a deeper exploration of classifiers in storytelling and sign.

## **Spanish I AZ06101**

(Offered in Partnership with ASU Global Academy)

**Grades: 10-12**

**Programs: Academic and Modified**

**Credit: .5 per semester Elective**

**Grade Scale: A-F**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Spanish I course will be prepared to communicate authentically in Spanish by interpreting (reading, listening, viewing), exchanging (speaking and listening; reading and writing), and presenting (speaking, writing) information on a variety of topics. They introduce the relationships among the products, practices, and perspectives of Spanish-speaking cultures.

## **Spanish II AZ06102**

(Offered in Partnership with ASU Global Academy)

**Grades: 11-12**

**Programs: Academic and Modified**

**Credit: .5 per semester Elective**

**Grade Scale: A-F**

**Prerequisite: Spanish I**

**Location offered: Online Campus**

**Course Description:** Students in the Spanish II course will build upon skills developed in Spanish I, preparing to communicate authentically in Spanish by interpreting (reading, listening, viewing), exchanging (speaking and listening; reading and writing), and presenting (speaking, writing) information on concrete topics. Spanish II courses introduce the relationships among the products, practices, and perspectives of Spanish-speaking cultures.