

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
STANDARD 14
CAREER PATHWAY OPTION
SENIORS OF SCHOOL YEAR 2011-2012
(Entering eleventh graders 2010-2011 ending with incoming ninth graders in 2016-2017)

In 2010, Mississippi state policymakers passed legislation to create multiple pathways to a standard diploma. The 2010 legislative actions created a career pathway to a standard diploma, with the goal of improving Mississippi graduation rates and providing students with career and technical training that prepares students for postsecondary credential or certification programs and employable workplace skills. This legislative change created Miss. Code Ann. § 37-16-17, as amended, to provide for high school career option programs and career track curricula for students not wishing to pursue a baccalaureate degree.

Enrollment in online and correspondence courses listed in this book must have prior approval granted by the principal.

CURRICULUM AREA	CARNEGIE UNITS	REQUIRED SUBJECTS
ENGLISH	4 ¹	English I English II
MATHEMATICS	3 ²	Algebra I
SCIENCE	3 ³	Biology I
SOCIAL STUDIES	3 ^{4&5}	1 U.S. History ½ U.S. Government ½ Mississippi Studies
HEALTH or PHYSICAL EDUCATION	½ ⁶	½ Contemporary Health or ½ Physical Education ¹⁰
CAREER and TECHNICAL	4 ⁷	(Selected from Student's Program of Study)
TECHNOLOGY or COMPUTER SCIENCE	1 ⁸	
ELECTIVES	2½ ⁹	Courses selected from the student's approved program of study
TOTAL UNITS REQUIRED	21	

NOTE: Mississippi's Institutions of Higher Learning requirements differ from minimum graduation requirements for this diploma pathway.