

FINANCIAL LITERACY

*State Requirement
for Helena Public Schools*



STATE REQUIREMENTS

- OPI- Financial Literacy
- Administrative Rule

HPS ALIGNMENT



According to ARM 10.55.904 Basic Education Program Offerings: High School, students must take “**(d) 3 units of social studies (including 1/2 unit of Civics or Government); (j) 1/2 unit of economics or financial literacy within the 3 units of social studies, the 3 units of mathematics, or the 2 units of career and technical education.**”

Students are required to take three (3) courses, or six (6) semesters of Social Studies as part of Helena Public Schools graduation requirements:

- World Studies
- American Studies I
- American Studies II - specifically meets the requirements

The course content aligns with the C3 standards and incorporates Civics, History, Economics, and Geography (CHEG) throughout every instructional unit in our Social Studies curriculum. Cumulatively, these courses further satisfying the Financial Literacy state requirement.

AP OR OTHER OPTIONS

If you take the AP Pathway through Helena Public Schools, your student will meet the Financial Literacy requirement through AP Government.

If a student has taken US History or US Government through MTDA, students will also need to plan on taking MTDA’s Personal Finance course to earn the Financial Literacy credit starting with the class of 2026.

