



LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY BULLETIN

TITLE: Guidelines for Implementing the Ethnic Studies for All Students Board Resolution

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POLICY: The purpose of this policy bulletin is to provide guidelines for the implementation of the Board Resolution Ethnic Studies For All Students: Reaffirming our commitment to Ethnic Studies in Los Angeles Unified, which was passed in August 2020.

On August 25, 2020, the Los Angeles Unified Board of Education adopted the resolution: Ethnic Studies For All Students: Reaffirming our commitment to Ethnic Studies in Los Angeles Unified. The resolution requires expansion of Ethnic Studies concepts throughout all grade levels. In addition, it states that all high school students will have the opportunity to take an Ethnic Studies course during the 2022-2023 school year. The resolution further calls for the completion of a one-semester Ethnic Studies course as a graduation requirement beginning with the graduating class of 2026-2027.

MAJOR CHANGES: This is the first bulletin regarding implementation of the Board Resolution, Ethnic Studies For All Students: Reaffirming our commitment to Ethnic Studies in Los Angeles Unified.

GUIDELINES: **I. ETHNIC STUDIES COURSE OFFERINGS**

District high schools are able to select from the following one-semester Ethnic Studies courses:

ROUTING

Local District Superintendents
Administrators of Instruction
Community of School Administrators
Directors
Counseling Coordinators
Principals
Assistant Principals
Assistant Principals, SCS
Secondary Counselors
Social Studies Department Chairs
UTLA Chapter Chairs



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Course Name*	Content Area/Credential Req.	Course Number	A-G Designation	Recommended Grade Level(s)	Course Length/Credits
African American Literature	English Language Arts (ELA)	230405	B	12	1 semester 5 credits
Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA)	History/Social Science (HSS)	370735	G	9-12	1 semester 5 credits
Mexican American Literature	ELA	230423	B	12	1 semester 5 credits
African American History	HSS	370701	G with an A Emphasis	9-12	1 semester 5 credits
American Indian Studies	HSS	370705	G with an A Emphasis	9-12	1 semester 5 credits
Introduction to Ethnic Studies	HSS	370733	G with an A Emphasis	9-12	1 semester 5 credits
Mexican American Studies	HSS	370715	A	9-12	1 semester 5 credits

* The Division of Instruction is currently working on reviewing and expanding course offerings, which will be updated periodically.

II. SCHOOL-SITE ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES

The school-site principal's responsibilities:

1. Include Ethnic Studies courses in preparation steps towards the development of the school's Master Schedule.



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2. Ensure at least one Ethnic Studies course is offered for all students during the 2022-2023 school year.
3. Ensure Ethnic Studies courses are offered as a graduation requirement beginning during the 2023-2024 school year.
4. Include Ethnic Studies course offerings in the ongoing assignment monitoring to ensure the following:
 - a. The teacher has the appropriate credential(s) to teach the course(s)
 - b. The teacher has the proper support to deliver Ethnic Studies content with fidelity to district goals and guidelines
5. Provide access to Ethnic Studies professional development

III. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND MATERIALS

A. Professional Development

The Division of Instruction offers professional development in Ethnic Studies and encourages schools to communicate and disseminate such learning opportunities to the appropriate staff. These professional learning offerings include:

1. Online Ethnic Studies professional development available through MyPLN, keyword: Ethnic Studies
2. Content-aligned, 12-hour professional development available through the Division of Instruction
3. Resources available on the LAUSD Ethnic Studies website: <https://achieve.lausd.net/EthnicStudies>
4. Resources available via the LAUSD Ethnic Studies Schoology Group: CKX5-ZC7X-HHCG4

B. Textbooks

1. There are district-adopted and approved textbooks for the following courses:
 - a. African American History
 - b. American Indian Studies



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- c. Introduction to Ethnic Studies
 - d. Mexican American Studies
2. At this time, textbooks have not been adopted for the following courses:
 - a. Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) Studies
 - b. African American Literature
 - c. Mexican American Literature
3. All instructional materials for the two ELA courses above would be teacher-generated or school-site funded
4. The next ELA textbook adoption is scheduled for Fall 2028

AUTHORITY: This is a policy of the Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education.

RELATED RESOURCES: The following resources are available for school site use in supporting Ethnic Studies implementation:

- Ethnic Studies for All Board Resolution: <https://bit.ly/ESBDResolution>
- Adopted/approved textbook list: <https://bit.ly/ESTextbooks>
- Ethnic Studies Schoology Group: CKX5-ZC7X-HHCG4
- Los Angeles Unified Ethnic Studies Website: <https://achieve.lausd.net/EthnicStudies>
- Updated presentation to principals: <https://bit.ly/ESUpdate>

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