



FINALS SCHEDULE

Monday, January 14th—Health Occupations (Seniors)
Monday, January 14th—AP Psych & Health Occupations (Seniors)
Tuesday, January 15th—Anatomy & Phys & Health Occupations (Juniors)
Tuesday, January 15th—Health Occupations (Seniors)

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

The Health Science Academy offers two summer school opportunities for incoming seniors.

One opportunity is Certified Nursing Assistant training which is offered for .5 elective credit. The course includes classroom, lab and clinical training and is taught through Quality CNA Training. Upon successful completion of this course, students can take the CNA registry exam to become a Certified Nursing Assistant.

The second opportunity is Global Partners. This opportunity is our annual trip to the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. Dates are currently scheduled for June 6, 7, and 17 for classroom and a trip to South Dakota scheduled for June 9-15.

Additional information for both of these opportunities will be provided in class at the start of the spring semester.

STUDENTS PREPARE FOR JOB SHADOWS

The juniors are excited for the start of the HSA's job shadow program. Students in the HSA have the opportunity for up to three job shadows in the spring semester of their junior year and additional job shadows in the fall semester of their senior year. To be eligible to start the job shadow program, students must be in good standing (passing all HSA classes), have good attendance and participation, and have at least 10 documented volunteer hours (in healthcare) prior to the first job shadow.

HIPAA/confidentiality training is being reviewed in Mr. George's class in preparation of the start of the job shadows. The first job shadows are scheduled to begin February 5th. HSA greatly appreciates the support of all healthcare professionals who provide these valuable job shadow experiences.

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Mark Your Calendar

January 17—NO HSA
January 18—NO HSA
January 21—NOHSA
January 29—Juniors Field Experience



Course Registration for Senior Year

As juniors are preparing for registering for their senior year, please take note of the courses that are included in the Health Science Academy for this final year:

Term	Credit	Course Name	Dual Credit Eligible?
Fall	.5 science	Medical Terminology	All students--Western
Spring	.5 science	Advanced Anatomy & Physiology	All students—Western
Year	1.0 social studies	Global Issues in Healthcare	Eligible students—UWL
Year	1.0 elective	Advanced Health Occupations (can include CNA or mentorship options)	Eligible students--UWL

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CLASSROOM



Health Occupations: In Health Occupations, we have been researching all of the different types of health careers that exist. Each student had the opportunity to select one career and complete an in-depth research project examining the career of their choice. By presenting these projects to the class, we were able to learn about a variety of different careers and the career paths necessary to obtain those positions. We are now studying the characteristics and traits of a health care worker. With our job shadows coming up very quickly, we want to be sure we are exuding professionalism when we are in the “real world”.

AP Psychology: In AP Psychology, we are just finishing up the Motivation and Emotion Unit. In December we talked about Learning, including Classical Conditioning and Operant Conditioning, so if your student was trying to train your dog or cat or maybe a little brother or sister how to do something ;), this was the reason why. After finals we will start with Consciousness and continue making our way to the finish line which is the AP Exam on May 9th. There will be more information coming from the individual schools about signing up for the AP exam sometime in February.



Anatomy & Physiology: The HSA juniors are currently finishing their work with The Nervous System and Nervous System Disorders. The students just finished presenting their research on a nervous system or sensory system disorder of their choice. We will be studying the Sensory Systems to start off the second semester. We will be visiting Gundersen Health Systems and Mayo Health Systems Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology Departments. We recently visited the new Prairie Spring Science Center at the University of Wisconsin La Crosse to dissect sheep brains and test Human Muscles on the cadavers in the anatomy labs. Students will be participating in visual acuity and hearing lab activities at the YMCA in La Crosse. A special thanks to all the professionals who are making these opportunities possible for the students in the Health Science Academy.