

World Language Hilbert College Credit: Articulation Information For Spanish 5 and French 5 2020-21

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: Can I earn college credits in *both* Spanish and French before graduating from West Seneca West?

A: *Yes!* If you are a fan of languages, we can help you earn up to 6 college credits. Talk to your current language teacher or counselor if you are interested. We hope you'll take advantage of this *amazing* opportunity!

Q: How much does the program cost?

A: \$200.00. This fee is for the processing of your application. A first transcript is sent free of charge to the college of your choice after the completion of the 2020-21 academic year. You must request for it to be sent. (Information will be mailed to your home in June with instructions.)

Q: When and to whom do I pay the fee for the credits?

A: In their world language classes, students have received information regarding online registration for the Hilbert credits. The online information needs to be filled out in its entirety and the \$200 fee is payable online as well. Registration closed 12/31/20. The payment period will be February 1st- March 31st 2021. Registered students will receive payment instructions in their language classes.

Q: Do I have to attend Hilbert College to receive these credits?

A: No. Since Hilbert is fully accredited through the Middle States College Association, your credits are fully transferable to any college, public or private. Also, classes are conducted at West Senior throughout the year. **If you have concerns regarding the transfer of credits, please contact your college or university directly.** Questions may also be directed to your classroom teacher.

Q: What grade do I need to attain to receive the credits and how will I be assessed?

A: You need to receive a grade of at least a **C** on the Hilbert college grading scale, that is, a final grade between 70 and 79%. Your classroom teacher will determine your grade based on your performance in his or her classroom during the school year. All Spanish and French 5 students will take a final exam that is given to all students in that language in all the participating schools. Your teacher participates in developing that final exam as well. *(Students are expected to take this final exam regardless of whether they pay for the credits or not.)*

Q: How does this program differ from the Advanced Placement program?

A: The difference lies in the cost and the fact that your own teacher decides the curriculum, evaluates your performance throughout the year, and determines your final grade based on your achievement in his or her classroom. Your final grade is determined by the averaging of the 4 quarters and the final exam, not your performance on a standardized test.

Q: Is there a possibility that the college I plan to attend won't accept these credits?

A: With few exceptions, all colleges or universities may accept them toward any number of elective credits that you need for a degree. Therefore, you will already have three (3) elective credits. However, a college might restrict how you can use these credits toward a degree. **You should always discuss your particular program requirements with your college advisor.*

If you have any further questions regarding this wonderful opportunity, please feel free to contact either: Marta Rizzo, World Language Program Liaison, at mrizzo@hilbert.edu or Laura Low, Spanish Teacher and Department Chairperson at West Senior, at 677-3350 ext. 4265 or llow@wscschools.org.