

# Academic Preparation GPA & World Language

Grades: 9, 10,11

Prerequisites:

None

# **Lesson Goal**

This lesson is intended to help students understand what GPA is, how it is used, and why it is important in regard to high school and entering college.

### What should student learn from the lesson?

- What is grade point average?
- How is it calculated?
- Types of GPAs: unweighted vs. weighted
- How is a GPA used?
- Why is it important?
- Understand the "freshman trap" and avoid it.
- Why world language is an importance consideration.

## What is the in-class activity?

- The lesson will be driven by a PowerPoint that will serve as a reference and direct the learning activities.
- Students will have time to give feedback as the lesson progresses to indicate their understanding.
- Set students up with elbow partners, small groups or as an entire class)
- Discussion of world language as a college admission and graduation requirement
- Discussion of the benefits of world language in high school.

## What is the takeaway for students?

- Realize what GPA is and its importance
- Avoid the "freshman trap"
- Understand the role world language plays in college admission and graduation.

#### Materials Needed:

- GPA PowerPoint
- World Language chart
- Projector
- Calculator
- GPA Worksheet