

**New Hampshire**  
**Recognized Rigorous Secondary School Programs of Study**

The eligibility options for a student graduating from secondary school in New Hampshire during the 2005 or 2006 calendar years are:

- ***A set of courses similar to the State Scholars Initiative.*** This program of study requires passing grades in the following:
  - Four years of English;
  - Three years of math (including Algebra I and a higher level course such as Algebra II, geometry, or data analysis and statistics);
  - Three years of science (including at least two courses from biology, chemistry or physics);
  - Three years of social studies; and
  - One year of a foreign language.
  
- ***Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) courses and test scores.*** This program requires a minimum of two Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) courses in high school and a minimum passing score on the exams for those classes. Students must score 3 or higher on AP exams and 4 or higher on IB exams.
  
- ***New Hampshire Dual Enrollment Program.*** This program has the following requirements:
  - Students enrolled in “Running Start” and other dual enrollment programs offered across New Hampshire in partnerships between the public two and four-year systems and private four-year institutions of higher education. Students are expected to achieve a Grade of B or above to qualify for this designation. Recommended coursework:
    - Arts Education – 1 credit
    - Business Education – 1 credit
    - World Languages – 2 credits
    - English – 4 credits
    - Mathematics (Algebra I, Algebra II, and geometry) – 3 credits
    - Science – 3 credits
    - Social Studies – 3 credits
  
  - All students engaged in, and successfully complete, courses that meet or exceed national program standards for Career Technical Education and Project Lead the Way. Recommended coursework:
    - Career Technical Program – 4 credits
    - Arts Education – 1 credit
    - Business Education – 1 credit
    - World Languages – 2 credits
    - English – 4 credits
    - Mathematics (Algebra I, Algebra II, and geometry) – 3 credits
    - Science – 3 credits

- Social Studies – 3 credits
- All students engaged in, and successfully complete, Programs of the Arts that meet or exceed program competency with a grade of B or better.

Recommended coursework:

- Performing or Visual Arts Education – 4 credits
- Business Education – 1 credit
- World Languages – 2 credits
- English – 4 credits
- Mathematics (Algebra I, Algebra II, and geometry) – 3 credits
- Science – 3 credits
- Social Studies – 3 credits