**Lindsay High School**

**Social Science Department**

Level 4

**Writing Option**

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| **Components** | **4** |
| Types: | Research report, Magazine article, Story, Journal, Interview, etc. |
| Topic | Choose a topic of interest, relevant and complex.   * Choose a topic that applies to multiple MT’s in more than one content area.   Or   * Choose a topic that connects the MT to current events or is relevant to another time period in history |
| Thesis | Develop a driving question(s).  Relevant to topic, arguable, and supportable. |
| Research | Organize research sources.  Use of multiple and varied types of sources  Minimum of 5 citations.  Evaluate source reliability and bias. (no ask.com, wiki or other public driven site)  Research and select appropriate format.  Bibliography/Works Cited at end of paper |
| Organization | Must follow one of the 7 rhetorical modes of writing from English  (argument & persuasion, cause & effect, classification & division, compare & contrast, definition, narration & description, process analysis) |
| Structure | Consistent use of one appropriate format (APA or MLA).  Page requirements:  10th (5-7), 11th (8-10) 12th (10-12) |
| Content | Complex evaluation of topic that draws relevant conclusions and/or plausible predictions **NOT** taught by learning facilitator.   * Writing must go in depth, make connections and contain new information learned through research   Balance of original analysis and sources. |
| Revision | Revises and edits based on feedback from learning facilitator and peers. |