

# **Course Description: Graduation Project**

**Credit:**

**Length: Semester**

**Prerequisite:**

The completion of a Graduation Project is a requirement in the State of North Carolina. This stand alone course will provide students a more comprehensive “how to” implementation of a graduation product rather than a project. The course will involve student-centered, lifelong learning that will combine academics with real-life goal setting, an exploration of learning something new, problem-solving, time management skills and community service. The Graduation Project supports elements of the Standard Course of Study for English Language Arts. Students must successfully complete the four Graduation Project Components:

- Research Paper
- Physical Product
- Portfolio
- Oral Presentation

## **Course Description: English IV and Graduation Project**

**Credit: 1 unit**

**Length: Fall Semester**

**Prerequisite: English III**

This course will combine all the language arts skills students have gained throughout their education and the implementation of the state required Graduation Project. The emphasis in English IV is on argumentation. Students will develop a position of advocacy through written, spoken language, media/technology and literary contexts with a focus on British Literature. The Graduation Project portion of this course will involve student-centered, lifelong learning that will combine academics with real-life goal setting, an exploration of learning something new, problem-solving, time management skills and community service. This combination course is structured for students with good organization and time management skills. A large portion of this course will involve work out of the classroom. Students will assume full ownership to complete a majority of the Graduation Project on their own, yet with supervision from their teacher. This combination course supports the elements of the Standard Course of Study for English Language Arts. Students must successfully complete the four Graduation Project Components:

- Research Paper
- Physical Product
- Portfolio
- Oral Presentation