

# VSB DISTRICT COURSES

2025-2026 OVERVIEW

## What are District Courses?

Special district-wide elective courses available to all VSB students.

## Available Courses:

- History of African Descent in BC 12
- Queer & Trans History of BC 12

## Why Take Them?

- *Unique curriculum* with field trips, guest speakers, and project-based learning
- Meet students from across the district
- Focus on important cultural and historical topics

## Who Can Enroll?

Grades 11 & 12 students from all VSB high schools

# History of African Descent in BC 12



AD 12 Artwork by Lily Hayes  
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## History of African Descent in BC 12 (Course Code YSSC-2A)

### Course Highlights:

- Explore Black culture, history, resilience, and achievements
- Focus on African empires, West Indian dialects, Black art, and more
- Dive into popular culture influences like Beyoncé, Maya Angelou, and AfroFuturism

### What You'll Do:

- Field trips, guest speakers, and project-based learning
- Online discussions and seminars

### Why Take It?

- Centering Black Joy and Resilience
- Engage in important conversations about history and culture

## Hear more from students!

[Round Table Discussion with Wayde Compton  
\(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xsx4hZPmq5A)



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# Queer & Trans History of BC 12

## Queer & Trans History of BC 12 (Course Code YSSC-2B)

### Course Highlights:

- Learn about the diverse history of 2SLGBTQIAP+ communities in BC
- Explore language, music, dance, and movements
- Focus on Queer and Trans joy, resilience, and achievements

### What You'll Do:

- Participate in field trips, guest speakers, and project-based learning
- Engage in online dialoguing and seminars

### Why Take It?

- Centering Trans and Queer Joy
- Gain a deeper understanding of historical movements and personal stories



### More Information:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OL\\_EJY-CmEg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OL_EJY-CmEg)



# INFORMATIONAL SESSION

Register for the Informational Session on  
February 26, 2025 @ 5:30 PM (virtual)  
for more details!



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