Why the Common Core?

The Common Core exists to help you deepen your curiosity and intellectual capacity, to connect you with friends across all the Faculties, to broaden your perspectives on the complexities of the world, and to enhance the Core Competencies demanded by Leadership in the 21st Century Workforce: Creativity, Critical Thinking, Communication, and Collaboration.

What will you be able to do?

Experiencing the Common Core will enable you to:

- articulate a broader perspective and a deeper critical understanding of the complex connections between issues of profound importance;
- better navigate the similarities and differences between your own and other cultures;
- more fully participate as individuals, members of social groups, and citizens in global, regional, and local communities; and
- demonstrate the creative, collaborative, and communication skills that will contribute to the quality of your own and others’ lives.
How does it work?

The Common Core focuses on interactive forms of teaching and learning such as discussions, debates, videos, interviews and ethnographies, site-visits, art installations, projects, laboratory and studio work, simulations and models, case-studies, role-play, script-writing, and explorations of Hong Kong.

It's a place for you to take risks, learn to learn in your own way, and better articulate your passion for the world.

How is it structured?

In order to ensure a balanced exploration, the Common Core is divided into four Areas of Inquiry (Aols): Scientific and Technological Literacy, Humanities, Global Issues and China: Culture, State and Society. While these Aols serve as a means of organizing the curriculum, they are very much interrelated rather than mutually exclusive.

Engage~ Experiment~ Enjoy!

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