

Possible Culminating activities/projects
For the MA of Social Studies in World History program

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1. Critical issues facing social studies education--curriculum, lessons, and transitioning and implementing standards or mandated changes, creating lessons that embed an area of study and blending the old content and the new. The key is identifying the changes and why, which is also incorporating the critical issues.
2. Creating a framework to introduce revisions into the curriculum, completing revisions using the framework. Currently, there really is nothing in place to enhance curriculum and lessons with content and instructional strategies to increase student achievement. The problem is other courses are constantly being altered on district and state levels and SS is not and is lost. This MA program could enhance content knowledge and allow the students to consider how to go about incorporating change on a systematic level.
3. The professional experience, it would be nice to see teachers revise units and lessons that includes the actual changes (portfolio like) alos, videos embedded with the students. The portfolio would be a documentary type experience highlighting the development of the Units, lessons, activities, student products, and videos of teaching and learning from the classroom. Both written and digital portfolio.

From an administrators standpoint I want to be able to identify how this will help the teacher improve student achievement through enriched content, improved strategies, with an awareness of the constant demands to reach the standards and make AYPŠ.