

# THREE WAYS TO EARN A HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY DIPLOMA

## CHOOSE FROM THREE PATHWAYS:

# 1

### GED® TEST PATHWAY

Candidate\*\* must pass the 4 subtests (Math, Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science) with a minimum score of 145 in each subject area. Pass the Arizona Civics Test with a minimum score of 60\*.

# 2

### HSE PLUS CAREER READINESS PATHWAY

The Adult Education student\*\* must accumulate and document 22 points in two areas (Academic Readiness and Career Readiness) through a variety of different sources. Pass the Arizona Civics Test with a minimum score of 60\*.

# 3

### COLLEGE CREDIT PATHWAY

Candidate\*\* must earn 25 college credits in 6 specific subject areas. Classes must be at least at the 100+ level with a passing grade letter of 'C' or above. Pass the Arizona Civics Test with a minimum score of 60\*.



## ARIZONA HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY DIPLOMA

### IMPORTANT

\*As mandated per A.R.S. § 15-701.01, any person wishing to obtain an Arizona High School Equivalency Diploma must pass the Arizona Civics Test.

\*\*Per A.R.S. § 15-702, individuals must be sixteen years of age or older and not enrolled in school, and lack a high school diploma, to be eligible to any of the three HSE pathways in Arizona.

**STUDENTS IN ARIZONA NOW HAVE THREE WAYS TO EARN A HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY (HSE) DIPLOMA.**

### 1. GED® TEST PATHWAY

Individuals sixteen years of age or older, not enrolled in secondary school or required to be enrolled in secondary school, and lack a high school diploma, can earn their High School Equivalency Diploma by passing the 4 GED® tests along with the AZ Civics Test. You don't have to take all tests at once - you can space them out and go at your own pace.

#### Test Subjects:

- Reasoning Through Language Arts
- Mathematical Reasoning
- Science
- Social Studies
- Arizona Civics

### 2. HSE PLUS CAREER READINESS PATHWAY

Individuals sixteen years of age or older, not enrolled in secondary school or required to be enrolled in secondary school, lack a high school diploma, and enrolled in WIOA Title II Adult Education programs can earn their HSE Diploma through the HSE PLUS Career Readiness Pathway by demonstrating Academic Readiness (14 points) and Career Readiness (8 points), for a required total of 22 points\*.

\* Eligible individuals must be actively enrolled in a WIOA Title II Adult Education provider. Application submission will be completed through the eligible Adult Education program.

### 3. COLLEGE CREDIT PATHWAY

To be eligible for the College Credit Pathway, individuals must be sixteen years of age or older, not enrolled in secondary school or required to be enrolled in secondary school, and lack a high school diploma\*.

#### Requirements:

- Earn 25 college credits in specific areas.
- Courses must be at the 100-course level or above.
- Passing grade letter of 'C' or above.
- Credits must be earned at or validated by an Arizona public state university or community college.
- Pass the Arizona Civics Test.

\* It is the applicant's responsibility to work with an academic advisor at an eligible institution to ensure that all coursework meets the credit requirements of the College Credit Pathway.



#### More Information:

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