

## *F.I.T. – Finding Independent Track 2020*

### **Political Science Introduction & Objectives**

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**Core Competencies:** Students will learn to interrogate and evaluate bedrock American political and economic systems by way of Socratic discussion, debates, and a final presentation on four core case studies/central questions within the Political Science Discipline. Students will engage using critical thinking skills, analyze relevant academic literature, and will be challenged to imagine and articulate solutions to the myriad policy challenges within each case study that we face as a community, as a nation, and within the world at-large