

Gifted & TALENTED

NORTHSIDE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

COURSE: 4920 GT Mentor Seminar

Welcome to O'Connor ISM! ISM is an **honors' elective** course open to 11th & 12th grade students. In this class, students pursue an area of special interest under the guidance of a mentor for the full year. Students will travel off campus for first hand experience. Students can pick any topic. Maybe future career or passion. At the end of the year, students do a presentation and product display to an invited audience, including a panel of experts from the selected field of study. Students, parents, mentors, and college entrance committees report that this is one of the most useful preparation for the real world offered by the educational system.

"To listen and study is school. To experience and achieve is ISM."



"ISM was a paradoxical class; paradoxical because it mixed school with reality, and displeasure with passion...the final product brought the big picture into focus, and as a student I realized that what I was doing was not a school project but a glimpse towards a future, and a favorable future for me." Sawyer

COURSE Highlights

TEST OUT YOUR FUTURE CAREER!

- ISM is an honors, elective course
- Earn a speech credit
- College Prep
- Investigate career field or lifetime interest of choice.
- Gain real-life experiences.
- Hands-on learning
- Develop skills in communication and speaking,
- Decision-making,
- Critical thinking skills
- Learn time management,
- Problem-solving,
- Discover new methods of inquiry



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