

**Course Objectives, Student Learning Outcomes, and Promotion Requirements****Interpretation of Achievement Scale – Road Trip USA West Coast Levels 5 - 8**

**Road Trip USA West Coast** is an integrated skills course that provides students with an opportunity to further build listening, speaking, reading and writing skills while exploring the Western region of the United States.

This course is designed to expose students to various cultures, traditions, language differences, and history found in the Western United States while building intermediate language skills in reading, writing, listening, speaking and pronunciation.

By the end of this course, students will have a better understanding of the historical events, culture and people who influence a region as well as a greater understanding and appreciation for the diversity that exists within the United States.

**Road Trip USA West Coast Objectives:**

1. Explain ideas presented in a reading or a listening on American culture in the West.
  - Assist students' understanding of American culture in the West.
  - Aid students in understanding the main ideas and details about the Western region.
  - Prepare students for interacting with Americans in their daily lives.
  - Equip students with the necessary skills to travel within the Western region of the U.S.
2. Discuss ideas presented in a reading or listening on American culture in the West.
  - Use of different vocabulary in common English use, including home, food, geography, history, and sports with correct meaning.
  - Describe dialects within the Western region.
  - Draw connections between culture and language.

**Course Evaluation**

Presentations	40%
Quizzes	15%
Homework	15%
Final Presentation	30%

Total = 100%



**Road Trip USA West Coast Learning Outcomes to Formally Assess:**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Recall and synthesize main ideas and details from multiple sources about the Western region of the US in both writing and speaking.
2. Read and respond to level-appropriate texts on historical events that shaped the Western United States.
3. Deliver an oral presentation based on evidence that cites sources to support their content.
4. Identify cultural and historical traditions and patterns in the West in spoken English.

**Grading Scale**

Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
S 71 – 100	U 0 – 70
The student demonstrates level-appropriate English ability that is generally accurate and is characterized by competence in the SLOs listed above.	The student does not demonstrate level-appropriate English ability and is incompetent in the SLOs listed above.

**Road Trip USA West Coast Requirements for Passing**

1. Students must pass the class with a cumulative grade of C- (71%) or better.