# **Curriculum Units and Learning Outcomes**

Content Area: Honors Pre-Calculus Grade Level: 11 - 12

## **Unit 2: Trigonometric Graphs**

Unit Summary: Students will learn how to graph Sine, Cosine and Tangent functions from an equation and conversely write a periodic equation from a graph. Students will learn how to find the inverse of a trig function, including how and why the range of an inverse trig function is limited. Students will apply the periodicity of a trig function so that inputs can be restricted to quadrant one while representing an angle in any quadrant.

#### **Massachusetts Standards:**

#### PC.F-TF

A. Extend the domain of trigonometric functions using the unit circle.

- +) Use special triangles to determine geometrically the values of sine, cosine, tangent for /3,/4 and /6, and use the unit circle to express the values of sine, cosine, and tangent for x, +x, and 2 x in terms of their values for x, where x is any real number.
- (+) Use the unit circle to explain symmetry (odd and even) and periodicity of trigonometric functions.
- B. Model periodic phenomena with trigonometric functions.
  - (+) Understand that restricting a trigonometric function to a domain on which it is always increasing or always decreasing allows its inverse to be constructed.
  - (+) Use inverse functions to solve trigonometric equations that arise in modeling contexts; evaluate the solutions using technology, and interpret
    them in terms of the context.

#### **Enduring Understandings:**

- Trigonometric functions are periodic. The sine and cosine have cyclic maximum and minimum values. Both properties are useful in modeling real world phenomena.
- The inverse trigonometric functions are useful when finding unknown angles. To make the inverses functional forms their range is restricted.
- Reference angles and the quadrant of the terminal side are used in finding the angle.
- Many real world problems involving periodic behavior can be modeled using trigonometric functions.

### **Essential Questions:**

- How are the graphs of the trigonometric functions related to their functional forms?
- How does a periodic trigonometric function model real-world problems and their solutions?

### Students will demonstrate KNOWLEDGE of:

- Periodicity of a periodic function.
- The domain and range of the trig functions and how this affects the amplitude.
- How the sine and cosine functions are the same and different.
- How to graph a sine, cosine and tangent function by using their vertical and horizontal translations and shifts.
- Students will be able to solve application problems involving trig functions.

#### Students will be SKILLED at:

- Students will be able to demonstrate shifts and stretches of trig graphs.
- Graphing trigonometric functions
- Writing a trigonometric equation from a graph.
- Using their understanding of inverse trig functions and the restrictions on the range to find the angle of rotation for a given trig ratio and quadrant.

**Estimated Duration: 3-4 weeks**