Specialization Requirements in Secondary Education – HISTORY / SOCIAL STUDIES

Overview
The goal of the Secondary Social Studies program is to produce qualified, competent, and caring teachers. The Social Studies teacher education program at the University of Rhode Island provides a foundation for excellence in teaching social studies and prepares teachers to meet the needs of middle and high school students.

The Secondary Education Program to prepare Social Studies teachers is a fully accredited four-year undergraduate program leading to dual degree B.A. degree in Secondary Education and History.

Teaching is a highly demanding, multifaceted, complex, and rewarding profession. Consequently, so is the teacher preparation program. We seek applicants who possess a strong academic background, a desire to deepen their academic knowledge, and a strong commitment to the intellectual, social, and emotional well being of all children.

The program requires a minimum of 30 credits of History, 6 credits in Political Science, 9 credits in a combination of Economics and Geography, (see specialization requirements) and 39 credits of General Education course work. Students wishing to apply to this program are urged to see an education advisor at University College in their freshman year. Formal application to this program is in the sophomore year and requires the student to interview with selected School of Education faculty and to present an admissions portfolio at that time. Students with a strong academic background, an interest in the content fields related to Social Studies, experience working with adolescents, and a desire to share these interests with a diverse population of young people are urged to apply.

REMEMBER THAT THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION REQUIRES A 2.5 GPA FOR APPLICATION INTO THE PROGRAM

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<th>Date(s) Course Completed</th>
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<td>Minimum of one course from:</td>
<td>HIS 111</td>
<td>History of Ancient Greece and Rome</td>
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HIS 310  History of Europe: 1815-1914  3
HIS 311  History of Europe Since 1914

Minimum of one course from:

- HIS 141  History of the United States to 1877
- HIS 335  American Colonial History to 1763
- HIS 337  Creation of the Union: America from 1789-1848  3

Minimum of one course from:

- HIS 142  History of the United States Since 1877
- HIS 339  Emergence of Industrial America: 1877-1917
- HIS 340  United States History from 1917 to 1945
- HIS 341  United States History Since 1945  3

Twelve elective History credits, of which 3 credits must be in Asian History, 3 credits in Non Western History, and 3 credits in European History at the 300 level:

Minimum of one course from the Asian History group:  3

- HIS 374  History of Modern China
- HIS 375  History of Modern Japan

Minimum of one course from the Non Western History group:  3

- HIS 376  Women in Muslim Societies
- HIS 377  Revolution in Islam
- HIS 381  History of Colonial Latin America
- HIS 382  History of Modern Latin America
- HIS 385  Revolution and Unrest in Central America and the Caribbean
- HIS 388  History of Sub-Saharan Africa
- HIS  OR a non-western course with permission of advisor

Minimum of one course from the European History group at the 300 level:  3

- HIS 300  Archaic Greece: Hellenic and Hellenistic Period from the Trojan War to Alexander the Great, 800 B.C.-300 B.C.
- HIS 303  From Republic to Empire: Ancient Rome
- HIS 304  Western Europe in the High Middle Ages
- HIS 305  The Renaissance
- HIS 306  The Protestant and Catholic Reformation I
- HIS 307  The Protestant and Catholic Reformation II
- HIS 308  Between Eve and Mary: Women in the Middle Ages
- HIS 309  The French Revolution and Napoleon
- HIS 310  History of Europe: 1815-1914
- HIS 311  History of Europe Since 1914
- HIS 314  Seventeenth- and Eighteenth-Century European Cultural History
- HIS 321  History of England: 1485-1660
- HIS 323  History of England: 1815-1896
- HIS 324  History of England Since 1896
- HIS 327  German History Since 1914
- HIS 328  The Holocaust
- HIS 330  History of France Since 1815
- HIS 332  History of Imperial Russia
- HIS 333  History of the Soviet Union
- HIS 397  The Historical Landscape of Britain

Select one additional elective of History at the 300+ level  3

- HIS 3
**Capstone Requirement**

**Minimum of one course from: (must be taken in spring of junior year)**

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<td>HIS 401</td>
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<td>HIS 441</td>
<td>Advanced Topics in American History</td>
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<td>HIS 481</td>
<td>Advanced Topics in Asian or Latin American History</td>
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**Capstone (must be taken in fall of senior year)**

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<td>HIS 495</td>
<td>Seminar in History (Taken in the fall senior year - if possible, HIS 495 should be taken the semester after completing HIS 401 or 441 or 481 and should be taken with the same instructor)</td>
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**History credits to a total of 30**

**Other Course Requirements**: 30

**Two courses in Political Science (please indicate):**

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<td>American Government or Equivalent</td>
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**Economics (1 course) and Geography (1 course), and Sociology (1 course – Soc. 100)**

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<td>SOC 100</td>
<td>General Sociology or Equivalent</td>
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*Rhode Island presently grants certification in History with Social Studies endorsements in each area above in which candidates have taken at least 6 credits

**Total Credits Required**

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