

Electives (9 credit hours; one course must be taken from each of the following groups)

Anthropology Group

ANTH 300. Anthropology of Diet and Nutrition	3
ANTH 315. Human Evolution	3
ANTH 322. Human Variation and Adaptation	3
ANTH 352. Birth, Death, Sex: Exploring Demography	3
ANTH 360. Medical Anthropology	3
ANTH 362. Evolution of the Human Brain	3
ANTH 395. Special Topics in Anthropology ¹	3
ANTH 420. Evolution of Human Behavior	3

Biology Group

BIO 280. Allied Health Microbiology or BIO 380. Microbiology	4
BIO 364. Human Uses of Plants	3
BIO 420. Medical Parasitology	4
BIO 426. Topics in Biology	1-4
BIO 427. Topics in Biology with Laboratory	1-4
BIO 430. Human Genetics	3
BIO 442. Immunology	3
BIO 482. Human Histology	4
BIO 490. Biomechanics	4

Psychology Group

PSYC 250. Introduction to Abnormal Psychology or PSYC 335. Abnormal Psychology	3
PSYC 285. Drugs and Behavior	3
PSYC 308. Health Psychology	3
PSYC 310. The Psychology of Women and Gender	3
PSYC 385. Biopsychology	3
PSYC 390. Psychology of Learning	3
PSYC 395. Comparative Psychology	3

¹ The content of this course varies. This course may be used to satisfy a requirement of the human science minor only if the topics covered have been specifically approved by the human science minor coordinator.

GEOG 300. Population Geography	
GEOG 345. Geography of Poverty	
GEOG 350. Topics: The Geography of Human Genetics and Infectious Disease	
GEOG 366. Introduction to Geographic Information Science	
GEOG 375. Political Geography	
GEOG 491. International Studies	
JUST 235. Justice in the Global Community	
JUST 341. Gender and Justice	
JUST 375. Genocide in the 20th Century	
JUST/POSC 392. Peace Studies	
NUTR 380. Global Nutrition	
POSC/JUST 331. Human Rights in Theory and Practice	
POSC 340. Third World Development	
POSC 347. Comparative Public Policy	
POSC 348. The Politics of Cultural Pluralism	
POSC 395. International Law	
POSC 396. International Organizations	
POSC 397. Politics of International Economic Relations	
PSYC 460. Community Psychology in Developing Societies	
SOWK 288. Social Welfare	
SOWK/SOCI 348. Introduction to Developing Societies	
SOWK 375. Grant Writing for Agencies	
WRTC 322. Making a Difference: Service Learning Writing	

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¹ When used for credit in the humanitarian affairs minor, the international experience must be approved and supervised by the minor coordinator or designated faculty.

Humanitarian Affairs

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The interdisciplinary humanitarian affairs minor provides students with a global perspective on the major issues facing the human community today. Students will investigate the impacts of natural disasters, disease, poverty, conflict, and local, national, and international policies on the welfare of human communities around the world. They will also explore solutions to various humanitarian crises and some of the organizations that address these crises. Finally, students will acquire knowledge and skills that prepare them for careers in governmental or non-profit organizations that address humanitarian issues such as poverty, hunger and malnourishment, conflict, human rights violations and natural disasters.

The minor program in humanitarian affairs is open to all undergraduate students at JMU. The requirement is the successful completion of 18 credit hours. Three of the 18 hours must include HUMN 201. Students are strongly encouraged to choose GEOG 491 as three of the other fifteen credits needed to complete the minor. The international experience must be one that will enhance the student's knowledge of humanitarian affairs and approved by the humanitarian affairs coordinator. This experience can be completed abroad or with an international organization in the U.S.

Core Requirements	Credit Hours
HUMN 201. Introduction to Humanitarian Affairs	3
Choose five of the following, with no more than two from any single discipline:	15
GEOG 215. Geospatial Tools I - Cartography and GIS	
GEOG 322. Agricultural Systems and Global Food Production	

Interdisciplinary Social Science

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The interdisciplinary social science minor offers a program of integrated study that exposes students to diverse methodologies, philosophies and controversies that define the social sciences. It is a required minor for secondary education students who wish to teach social studies. The ISS minor incorporates economics, geography, history and political science and is offered in two forms for secondary education students. Secondary education students will major in either history or political science and then complete the ISS minor that corresponds to the major. Through this minor and the completion of the B. A. degree in history or political science, students will gain the content knowledge necessary for success in secondary education in social studies. Student not selecting the secondary education licensure program may declare either form of the ISS minor.

Minor Requirements

History Major with ISS Minor

Requirements for the history major are on Page 202.

Degree Requirements

General Education ¹	41
Foreign Language classes (intermediate level required) ²	0-14
Philosophy course (in addition to General Education courses)	3
Major requirements	37
Minor requirements (listed below)	18
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¹ The General Education program contains a set of requirements each student must fulfill. The number of credit hours necessary to fulfill these requirements may vary.

² The foreign language requirement may be satisfied by successful completion of the second semester of the intermediate level of the student's chosen language (typically 232), or by placing out of that language through the Department of Foreign Languages, Literatures and Cultures' placement test.

Political Science Major with ISS Minor

Requirements for the political science major are on Page 268.

Degree Requirements

General Education ¹	41
Foreign Language classes (intermediate level required) ²	0-14
Philosophy course (in addition to General Education courses)	3
Major requirements	33-35
Minor requirements (listed below)	18
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ISS Minor Requirements

To be licensed to teach secondary school social studies, the student must satisfactorily complete requirements for a baccalaureate degree in either history or political science and complete the ISS minor that is paired with that major. Courses taken for General Education credit may be double counted.

ISS for History Majors

Complete all of the following: 9

GPOSC 225. U.S. Government

(Must be completed for GenEd credit)

Choose one:

GECON 200. Macroeconomics (may double count)

ECON 201. Microeconomics

Choose one:

GEOG 280. Human Geography: The Cultural Landscape (should double count)

GGEOG 200. The Global Dimension

Choose one:

GEOG 300 or 400 level

ECON 200, 300 or 400 level

Complete three of the following: 9

POSC 302. State and Local Government

POSC 385. The U.S. Congress

POSC 362. Political Behavior

POSC 369. Political Parties and Elections

POSC 370. U.S. Foreign Policy

Total credits

 18

ISS for Political Science Majors

Complete all of the following: 9

GHIST 225. U.S. History (Must be completed for GenEd credit)

Choose one:

GECON 200. Macroeconomics (may double count)

ECON 201. Microeconomics

Choose one:

GEOG 280. Human Geography: The Cultural Landscape (should double count)

GGEOG 200. The Global Dimension

Choose one:

GEOG 300 or 400 level

ECON 200, 300 or 400 level

Complete three of the following: 9

HIST 350. Virginia History

HIST 362. U.S. Religious History

HIST 356. Afro-American History Since 1865

HIST 405. Travel and Exploration

HIST 453. Patterns of Global History

HIST 456. The Global Economy and Nationalism

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Latin American Studies

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This interdisciplinary minor helps students to acquire a deeper understanding of Latin America. All Latin American studies minors must attain proficiency in Spanish or Portuguese at or above the intermediate level (232 or equivalent). In addition to the language requirement, the Latin American studies minor consists of 18 approved credit hours. Across those 18 credits, students must select courses in at least three different disciplines. Participants in the minor are encouraged to explore the possibility of studying in a Latin American country for a semester or summer session. See <https://caal.jmu.edu/latinamerica/LASminor.htm> for changes in required courses.

Credit Hours

Complete two courses from among the following: 6

ANTH 265. Peoples and Cultures of Latin America and the Caribbean

GEOG 337. Geography of Latin America

GHUM 252. Cross Cultural Perspectives: Latin American Cultures¹

POSC 350. Latin American Politics

SPAN 308. Latin American Civilization

Complete four additional courses from among the following: 12

ANTH 265. Peoples and Cultures of Latin America and the Caribbean

ANTH 325. Aztec, Maya and Their Predecessors

ANTH 364. U.S./Latin American Borders

ANTH 391. Study Abroad²

ANTH 395. Special Topics in Anthropology²

ANTH/HIST 436. Afro-Latin America

ANTH 490. Special Studies in Anthropology²

ARTH 484. Art of the Americas

ECON 270. International Economics

ECON 312. Comparative Economic Systems

ECON 365. Economic Development

ECON 372. International Finance and Payments

ECON 490. Special Studies in Economics²

ENG 434. Latin American Literature in Translation

ENG 439. Major Authors of Literature in Spanish in Translation

GEOG 337. Geography of Latin America

GEOG 380B. Regional Geographic Studies - Latin America

GEOG 490. Senior Project II²

GHUM 252. Cross Cultural Perspectives: Latin American Cultures

HIST 341. Selected Themes in World History²

HIST 391. Travel Studies Seminar¹

HIST 395. History Seminar²

HIST 399. Special Studies in History²

HIST 444. Revolution and Social Change in Latin America

HIST 445. Latin America and the United States

HIST 446. Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean

HIST 447. South America

HIST 448. Gender in Colonial Latin America

HIST 489. Selected Topics in World History²

POSC 350. Latin American Politics

POSC 371. Topics in Comparative Politics²

POSC 397. The Politics of International Economic Relations

REL 380. Contemporary Theologies

REL 450. Religion and Society

SOCI 391. Study Abroad²

SOCI 490. Special Studies in Sociology²

SPAN 300. Spanish Grammar and Communication