

Required Courses	Credit Hours
GPOSC 225. U.S. Government	4
SCOM 240. Process of Human Communication	3
POSC/SCOM/SMAD 472. Media and Politics	3
Choose one of the following:	3-4
Non POSC and SCOM majors	
SCOM 318. Practicum in Communication Studies (3 credits)	
POSC or SCOM majors	
POSC 495. Internship (4 credits)	
SCOM 495. Internship (3 credits)	
Choose one of the following:	3
POSC 365. American Political Campaigning	
POSC 369. Parties and Elections	
Choose one of the following:	3
SCOM 353. Political Communication	
SCOM 453. Political Campaign Communication	
Choose two of the following:	6
POSC 362. Political Behavior	
POSC 368. Interest Groups and Public Policy	
POSC 383. Women and Politics	
POSC 385. The U.S. Congress	
SCOM 341. Persuasion	
SCOM 346. Free Speech in America	
SCOM 352. Communication and Social Movements	
SCOM 354. Communication, Environment and Environmentalism	
SCOM 431. Legal Communication	

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For additional information, contact the head of the Department of Political Science, the director of the School of Communication Studies, or the coordinator of the minor in political communication.

## Russian Studies

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This minor offers students a broad, interdisciplinary perspective on Russian culture, history, political institutions, economy and geography. This program deepens the students' understanding and knowledge of the Russian and non-Russian peoples of the former Soviet Union, and prepares them for careers in teaching, government and international business. The minimum requirement for a minor in Russian studies is 18 hours. Students should take courses in at least three different disciplines from the following list:

### Required Courses

- ECON 301. Economies in Transition
- GEOG 333. Russian and the Former USSR
- HIST 385. Russia to 1855
- HIST 386. Russia Since 1855
- HIST 475. Modern Russia
- POSC 337. Russia and Post-Soviet Politics
- RUS 266/GHUM 200. Russian Literature in Translation/Great Works
- RUS 300. Russian Conversation and Composition
- RUS 308. Introduction to Russian Civilization
- RUS 315. Russian Phonetics
- RUS 320. Advanced Russian Grammar
- RUS 405. Russian Literature of the 19th Century
- RUS 426. Russian Literature of the 20th Century
- RUS 438. Studies in Russian Literature

Students may include one course from the following list:

- ECON 490. Special Studies in Economics
- FL 490. Special Studies in Foreign Languages (Russian)
- GEOG 490. Senior Project II

- HIST 399. Special Studies in History
- POSC 490. Senior Tutorial in Political Science

With the approval of the program adviser, six to eight hours of Russian language may be included in the minor. Students may also earn credit by studying in a program in Russia or any of the former Soviet states.

## Science, Technology and Society

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Science, technology and society (STS) is an internationally recognized field of interdisciplinary study that integrates social scientific and humanistic studies to better understand the natural and human-built world. The minor in STS offers students the opportunity to critically examine science, technology and medicine as expressions of human cultures, past and present. Students learn to scrutinize the ideas, values and materials embedded in the world they inhabit today and to relate them to other times and places. They explore how choices made within various social, economic and political structures influence the development of science, technology and medicine. They also see how the adoption and diffusion of ideas, artifacts and techniques can then influence individuals, society, politics and culture. Courses in this minor draw students together from diverse majors across the campus and encourage open inquiry into the role of science and technology in society.

The minor in STS is open to all undergraduate students at JMU. Courses taken to complete the STS minor can also be used to satisfy the student's major, as well as General Education requirements.

The STS minor requires 18 credit hours with at least one course each from the history, sociology and ISAT courses listed below.

Required Courses	Credit Hours
Choose one:	3
ISAT 131. Technology, Science, and Society	
SOCL 315. Science, Technology, and Society	
HIST 327. Technology in America	

### Elective courses

Choose five from at least four different programs/majors	15
ANTH/ARTH/HIST 492. American Material Culture	
ANTH/SOCL 313: Processes of Social and Cultural Change	
ANTH340. The Invention of Race	
ANTH 360. Medical Anthropology	
ANTH 373. Anthropological Perspectives on Environment and Development	
ARTH 303. History of Design	
ARTH 474. The New Media and Contemporary Art	
ARTH 476. Modern Architecture	
GEOG 322. Agricultural Systems	
GEOG 325. Environmental Ethics	
GEOG 344. Economic Geography and Development Issues	
HIST 305. History of Science and Christianity	
HIST 326. The Automobile in 20th Century America	
HIST 327. Technology in America	
HIST 328. History of Science, 1534 – 1859	
HIST 329. History of Science Since 1859	
HIST 405. Travel and Exploration	
HIST 427. U.S. Environmental History	
HIST 443. Modern American Technology and Culture	