The minor is open to all undergraduate students at JMU. Three of the required 18 hours must include HUMN 201; students are strongly encouraged to choose GEOG 491. The international experience must be one that will enhance the student’s knowledge of humanitarian affairs and must be approved by the humanitarian affairs coordinator. This experience can be completed abroad or with an international organization in the U.S.

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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.

**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.

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**Minor Requirements**

**History Requirements with ISS Minor**

Requirements for the history major are on Page 205.

**Degree Requirements**

- **General Education**: 41
- **Foreign Language classes (intermediate level required)**: 0-14
- **Philosophy course (in addition to General Education courses)**: 3
- **Major requirements**: 37
- **Minor requirements (listed below)**: 18

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.

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**Political Science Major with ISS Minor**

Requirements for the political science major are on Page 266.

**Degree Requirements**

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

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.

**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

GEOC 225. U.S. Government (Must be completed for GenEd credit)

Choose one:
- GEOC 200. Macroeconomics (may double count)
- ECON 201. Microeconomics

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

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

Choose one:
- GEOC 200. Macroeconomics (may double count)
- ECON 201. Microeconomics

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Latin American and Caribbean Studies

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This cross disciplinary minor helps students to acquire a deeper understanding of Latin America and the Caribbean. All Latin American and Caribbean Studies minors must attain proficiency in Spanish, Portuguese or French at or above the intermediate level (SPAN/PORT/FR 232 or equivalent). In addition to the language requirement, the Latin American and Caribbean 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 or Caribbean country for a semester or summer session. See the Web site 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 Cultures
- 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 384. U.S./Latin American Borders
- ANTH 391. Study Abroad
- ANTH/ HIST 436. Afro-Latin America
- ANTH 490. Special Studies in Anthropology
- 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 Economics
- ENG 434. Latin American Literature in Translation
- ENG 439. Major Authors of Literature in Spanish in Translation
- GEOG 337. Geography of Latin America
- GEOG 490. Senior Project
- GHUM 252. Cross Cultural Perspectives: Latin American Cultures
- HIST 341. Selected Themes in World History
- HIST 391. Travel Studies Seminar

HIST 395. History Seminar
HIST 399. Special Studies in History
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 History
POSC 350. Latin American Politics
POSC 371. Topics in Comparative Politics
POSC 397. The Politics of International Economic Relations
REL 380. Contemporary Theologies
REL 450. Religion and Society
SOCI 391. Study Abroad
SOCI 490. Special Studies in Sociology
SPAN 300. Spanish Grammar and Communication
SPAN 308. Latin American Civilization
SPAN 320. Spanish Oral and Written Communication
SPAN 330. Business Spanish
SPAN 385. Latin American Drama and Short Stories
SPAN 395. Latin American Poetry of the 20th Century
SPAN 408. Aspects of Latin American Civilization
SPAN 415. The Spanish-American Novel
SPAN 446. Special Topics in Linguistics, Literature or Civilization
SPAN 465. Cinema and Literature
SPAN 490. Special Topics in Spanish

1 GHUM 252 is typically offered in several sections each semester; many of these sections do not focus on Latin America. Students must take the version focused on Latin America for GHUM 252 to count as part of the Latin American studies minor. GHUM 252 counts as a history course unless taught by faculty from another discipline.
2 This is a special topics or special studies course. It may count for the minor, but only if it deals with Latin America or the Caribbean. Contact the coordinator for approval.

Medieval and Renaissance Studies

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The Medieval and Renaissance Studies Minor focuses on the period from the fall of Rome (5th century C.E.) to 1700. The minor allows students to take courses in art history, English, history, music, philosophy, political science, religion, and a range of languages (Arabic, French, Spanish, German, Italian and Latin as well as medieval languages such as Old English and Middle English) in the original or in translation. Students focus on either the Medieval or the Renaissance periods or combine course work from both periods.

The minor requires 18 credits total from the list below, with the following restrictions. The 18 credit hours must include courses from at least three distinct disciplines. Note that all foreign language courses (ARAB, FR, GER, ITAL and LAT) fall into the single discipline of foreign languages and literatures. At least four of the six required classes must be taken from the intermediate or advanced categories. It is recommended that students take one introductory course before taking the 300 or 400 level classes.

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