

# James Madison University Advising Guide

BRCC Associate of Arts/Liberal Arts Degree, and JMU Advising Guide for a major in History.

## First Year

### First Semester

Course #	Course Description	Credits
ENG 111	College Composition I	3
HIS 111	World Civilizations Pre-1500	3
PHI 100	Intro to Philosophy <sup>1</sup>	3
_____	Natural Science Elective <sup>2</sup>	4
SDV _____	Student Development (100 or 107)	1

### Second Semester

Course #	Course Description	Credits
ENG 112	College Composition II	3
HIS 112	World Civilizations Post-1500	3
MTH _____	Math Elective <sup>2</sup>	3
CST 100 or 110	Principles of Public Speaking or Intro. to Speech Communication	3
_____	Social and Behavioral Science Elective <sup>2</sup>	3

## Second Year

### Third Semester

Course #	Course Description	Credits
_____	Art/Literature Elective <sup>2</sup>	3
HIS 121	U.S. History to 1877	3
_____	Transfer Core Elective <sup>2,3,4,5</sup>	3
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### Fourth Semester

Course #	Course Description	Credits
HIS 122	U.S. History Since 1865	3
_____	Transfer Core Elective <sup>2,3,4,5</sup>	3
_____	Transfer Core Elective <sup>2,3,4,5</sup>	3
_____	Transfer Core Elective <sup>2,3,4,5</sup>	3
_____	Transfer Core Elective <sup>2,3,4,5</sup>	4

Total Credits Required for Associate or Arts/Liberal Arts Degree/JMU History requirements – 60

## Advising Notes for History

1. History is a B.A. degree. The B.A. degree requirements are a philosophy class (PHI 100, not 220) and intermediate proficiency in a foreign language. Students who are proficient or fluent in another language may elect to wait and take JMU's foreign language placement exam once admitted. It is possible to test out of the language requirement. You may also choose to take foreign language courses at BRCC.
2. View options for [natural science electives](#), [math electives](#), [social and behavioral science electives](#), [art/literature electives](#) (choose one course from art or literature; PHI 100 satisfies the humanities requirement), and [transfer core electives](#).

## Information for Students Interested in Teaching High School Social Studies

3. PSY 230 and EDU 200 should be taken as transfer core electives. They are required for admission to the College of Education.
4. Students may also take EDU 204 and 250 to satisfy education requirements. EDU 200 is a prerequisite for EDU 250.
5. History/Secondary Education students also complete the Social Studies minor for the endorsement in social studies. PLS 135, ECO 201 or 202 and GEO 210 or 220 will satisfy SS minor requirements.

## Admission to the College of Education

Once admitted and enrolled at JMU, students must apply to teacher education and be accepted before they can take the required education courses. Students who meet the criteria for the [Guaranteed Admission Agreement \(GAA\)](#) with JMU, have completed the coursework outlined in the advising guide for the appropriate teacher licensure area, and who have met the Teacher Education Admission Requirements outlined below will receive conditional admission into JMU Teacher Education during their first semester at JMU. Conditional admission to teacher education programs requires completion of ENG 112 or equivalent (must transfer to JMU as WRTC 103), PSY 230, and EDU 200 with a grade of C or better, and satisfaction of the teacher education admission assessment requirements. See [Admission to Teacher Education](#) for more information. **Students cannot have any record of felony convictions or misdemeanors involving children or drugs.**

Other admission requirements include a cumulative JMU GPA of at least 2.5, satisfactory completion of training modules in universal precautions and child abuse prevention, and submission of two reference forms. These requirements should be completed by the end of a transfer student's first semester at JMU.

Students seeking teacher licensure in high school social studies must also complete the pre-professional secondary education program (5-year program) or double major in secondary education (4-year program). They must also demonstrate professional behavior and perform satisfactorily in practicums and key assessments in order to progress.

## Graduate Program

Consult the graduate catalog for M.A.T. graduate requirements. Admission to and the satisfactory completion of the M.A.T. program are required in order to receive a recommendation through JMU for a teacher license at the secondary school level.

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