

THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND
College of Human Science & Services
School of Education

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 students 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

<u>Date(s) Course Completed</u>	<u>Course No.</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Credit</u>
<u>Minimum of one course from:</u>			
_____	HIS 111	History of Ancient Greece and Rome	
	HIS 112	History of Medieval Europe	
	HIS 304	Western Europe in the Middle Ages	
	HIS 308	Between Eve and Mary: Women in the Middle Ages	3
<u>Minimum of one course from:</u>			
_____	HIS 113	History of Western Civilization from the Late Middle Ages to 1789	
	HIS 114	History of Western Civilization Since 1789	

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HIS 310	History of Europe: 1815-1914	
HIS 311	History of Europe Since 1914	3

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 Wars 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

_____	HIS 3		3
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Capstone Requirement

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

_____	HIS 401	Advanced Topics in European History (taken in the spring junior year)	3
	HIS 441	Advanced Topics in American History	
	HIS 481	Advanced Topics in Asian or Latin American History	

Capstone (must be taken in fall of senior year)

_____	HIS 495	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)	3
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History credits to a total of 30 30

Other Course Requirements*:

Two courses in Political Science (please indicate):

_____	PSC 113	American Government or Equivalent	3
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Economics (1 course) and Geography (1 course), and Sociology (1 course – Soc. 100)

_____	ECN	_____	3
_____	GEG	_____	3
_____	SOC 100	General Sociology or Equivalent	<u>3</u>

*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 45**