

West Potomac Social Studies Department

Grade	Graduation Requirement Options
9th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ World History I (Prehistory - 1500 CE) ❖ World History I Honors ❖ AP Human Geography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ This course focuses on geographic foundations, population and migration patterns, the formation of cultural identity, the evolving use of agriculture, urban planning, and how economic development leads to globalization. ➢ Can also be taken as an elective later in high school
10th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ World History II (1500 CE - Present) ❖ World History II Honors ❖ AP Human Geography ❖ Humanities/World History II Honors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Paired with a section of English 10 Honors ➢ For students who are not ready for or do not want to take AP World but who are targeting AP/DE classes in the 11th and 12th grades ❖ AP World History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Study the cultural, economic, political, and social developments that have shaped the world from c. 1200 CE to the present. ➢ College credit offered for students who pass the AP test at the end of the year
11th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ US/VA History ❖ US/VA History Honors ❖ AP US History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Students will develop the knowledge and skills necessary to interpret U.S. History on a level taught in a full-year introductory college course. ➢ College credit offered for students who pass the AP test at the end of the year ❖ Dual Enrollment US History <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Students will develop the knowledge and skills necessary to interpret U.S. History on a level taught in a full-year introductory college course. ➢ Students who earn a C or higher will earn NVCC that is guaranteed to transfer to all public VA colleges/universities
12th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ US Government ❖ US Government Honors ❖ AP US Government <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Students will study the key concepts and institutions of the political system and culture of the United States. ➢ College credit offered for students who pass the AP test at the end of the year ❖ AP US and Comparative Government <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Students will take one semester of AP U.S. Government and one semester of AP Comparative Government ❖ DE US Government <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Students will study the key concepts and institutions of the political system and culture of the United States. ➢ Students who earn a C or higher will earn NVCC that is guaranteed to transfer to all public VA colleges/universities

West Potomac Social Studies Elective Course Offerings

- ❖ **AP African American Studies**
 - Contact: David Houston - djhouston@fcps.edu
- ❖ **AP European History**
 - Contact: Charlotte Salzman - csalzman@fcps.edu
- ❖ **AP Human Geography**
 - Contact: Heather O'Grady - hlogrady@fcps.edu
- ❖ **AP Micro/Macro Economics**
 - Contact: James Dahlgren - jrdahlgren@fcps.edu
- ❖ **AP Psychology**
 - Contact: Steve Przywara - scprzywara@fcps.edu
 - Contact: Ryan Garasich - rgarasich@fcps.edu
- ❖ **Combating Intolerance**
 - Contact: Dan Baldwin - dbaldwin@fcps.edu
- ❖ **Latin American History**
 - Contact: Zachary Fidel - zmfidel@fcps.edu
- ❖ **Psychology/Sociology**
 - Contact: Katie Prible - ksprible@fcps.edu
- ❖ **Women's History**
 - Contact: Heather O'Grady - hlogrady@fcps.edu
- ❖ **World Religions/Current Affairs**
 - Contact: George Coe - ggcoe@fcps.edu