**Information for all ISS minors** registering for fall 2018

Note that all general education courses have been renamed to take away the G. Courses formerly GHIST or GPOSC or GGEOG are now HIST or POSC or GEOG.

If you are interested in doing study abroad, talk to one of us about classes that may count toward the minor.

**Information for Seniors:**

HIST/POSC will go back to being offered T/Th 9:30, with MSSE 470H at 11. Please email ([sandmaad@jmu.edu](mailto:sandmaad@jmu.edu)) and let me know if you plan to take it them fall or spring.

**Cohort option for Sophomores and Juniors**

In spring 2019 we will have a cohort aimed at sophomores and juniors --- this will involve taking several ISS classes together with a class on teaching social studies (which includes extensive discussion and some class observations). This lets you not only meet other students in the program, but get a chance to see what teaching is really like, and to talk about teaching, interdisciplinary learning, and the links between what you learn and how you teach. HIST 350 or 303, ISS 330, and MSSE 201 will be offered in the spring to fit with the cohort.

**POSC 335: Comparative Politics for Teachers will NOT be offered in spring 2019. If you need it this year, take it in the fall.**

**Fall 2018 history classes for those majoring in political science:**

1. You need to take either HIST 350 or HIST 303; neither is offered this semester, but HIST 303 will be offered in the spring.
2. You will need a regional elective. Offered in the are HIST 263 (Africa) and HIST 269 (Premodern Middle East). You can also take certain sections of HUM 252 (formerly GHUM)--- HUM 252 sections 1 and 2 (on Latin America with Dr. McCleary), or sections 3 and 4 (on Global South Asia with Dr. Hanifi). Do NOT take other sections of HUM 250 or 252; if you aren’t sure what counts, ask Dr. Hulsey or Dr. Sandman.
3. You will need a trans-regional elective. HIST 307 (The Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade) and HIST 453 (Patterns of Global History) will count for this requirement. If you need an override for HIST 453 email Dr. Sandman at [sandmaad@jmu.edu](mailto:sandmaad@jmu.edu) saying that you are a POSC ISS student and she will grant it.
4. Remember that you will need to take POSC/HIST 457 in the semester when you take MSSE 470 and 471. It will continue to be offered both fall and spring. Try NOT to take it in the semester when you take POSC 492. POSC majors who need to take POSC 457 should email Dr. Hulsey ([hulseyjw@jmu.edu](mailto:hulseyjw@jmu.edu)) for an override into the course.

**Fall 2018 political science classes for those majoring in history:**

1) **POSC 335: Comparative Politics for Teachers**. This should be the first upper-level Political Science course you take. POSC 335 is open to IdLS & ISS students only. THIS CLASS WILL NOT BE OFFERED in the spring, so if you need it this year, take it now.

2) **POSC 302** (section 2) – **State & Local Government** will be open only to IdLS & ISS students. This course has the most direct application of any POSC course to your future in the classroom. Note that you must take section 2 (the evening one); you will not be able to register for section 1.

3)       Remember that everyone needs to take both POSC 335 and POSC 302. In addition, you take one more political science class. **ISS minors will not be able to directly register for any other political science classes until they have taken BOTH 335 and 302.**

4)       There are three POSC classes being offered that can fulfill the elective requirement: **POSC 385: The U.S. Congress, POSC 364 Political Parties in America** and **POSC** **369: Elections and Voting Behavior.**  If you have taken both 335 and 302, you should be able to directly register into POSC 385, 364 or 369. If you run into problems, or think you qualify for an exception, email Dr. Hulsey and Dr. Sandman explaining the problem.