**Information for all ISS minors** registering for spring 2019

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 If you see online information with the G-prefix classes, it is probably out of date.

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

**HIST 303: Early America counts for the Virginia History requirement (in place of HIST 350)**

**Cohort option for Sophomores and Juniors**

This spring we again 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.

Cohort Classes:

MSSE 201: Introduction to teaching social studies (will also count for MSSE 101)

 ISS 330: Maps, Money, and World Trade

 HIST 303: Early America (Counts for the Virginia History requirement in place of 350)

 POSC 302: State and Local Government, evening section only

If you are interested in these classes, let Dr. Sandman know (sandmaad@jmu.edu) or sign up on the sheet outside Jackson 212 and we will save spots for you.

**Spring 2019 history classes for those majoring in political science:**

1. You need to take either HIST 350 or HIST 303; **HIST 303: Early America** is offered this spring and meets the requirement.
2. You will need a regional elective. Offered in the spring are HIST 263 (Africa) and HIST 270 (Modern Middle East). You can also take certain sections of HUM 252 (formerly GHUM)--- HUM 252 sections 1 and 2 (on Global South Asia with Dr. Hanifi), or sections 3 and 4 (on Latin America with Dr. Van Norman). 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. There is none offered this semester; if you need one to graduate in in May or August, talk to Dr. Sandman and we will find one that works.
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) to make arrangements.

**Spring 2019 political science classes for those majoring in history:**

1) **POSC 335: Comparative Politics for Teachers**. This class is NOT offered this semester; it will be offered in the fall.

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 362: Political Behavior, POSC 386: The US Judiciary and POSC 368: Interest Groups, Lobbying and Public Policy.**  If you have taken both 335 and 302, you should be able to directly register into POSC 362, 386 or 368. If you run into problems, or think you qualify for an exception, email Dr. Hulsey and Dr. Sandman explaining the problem.