

SOCIAL STUDIES

GRADE 9

All Freshmen take **Western Civilizations I**, a full-year course that explores the emergence and growth of the Western world. Main topics of study include Ancient Greece & Rome, Medieval Europe, the Renaissance, the Reformation, and the Age of Exploration—a period covering nearly 6,000 years.

In addition to content, instruction will also focus on skill development, especially related to critical thinking, reading, writing, research, public speaking, geography, and primary source analysis.

Parents and students are advised to follow the recommendation of their 8th grade teacher when completing the course selection process. This course is offered at Honors, Academic, and General levels.

OTHER SOCIAL STUDIES COURSES

GRADE 10

Western Civilizations II

(Fall Semester)

Civics*

(Spring Semester)

GRADE 11

United States History*

(Full Year)

**Required for Graduation*

AP COURSES

European History

(10th Grade)

United States History

(11th Grade)

United States Government

(12th Grade)

Psychology

(11th/12th Grade)

ELECTIVES

Law & Order

(Fall Semester)

20th C. American Culture & Society

(Spring Semester)

Current Issues

(Full Year)

American & World Politics

(Full Year)

African American/Latino Studies

(Full Year)

Psychology

(Fall or Spring)

If you have any questions about Social Studies offerings, please email Amy Rosenberg, Social Studies Department Supervisor: rosenberg@rockyhillps.com