

# Rockville HS - Social Studies Department

## Requirements: 3 credits

**Requirements:** Three credits in social studies are required for graduation. For Grade 9 -US History requirement, 2114/2124 US History (AP) satisfies the graduation requirement. For Grade 10, NSL requirement, 2104/2105 Government (AP) satisfies the graduation requirement. For Grade 11- Modern World History, 2240/2241 World History (AP) and 2230/2231 History 1 A/B (IB) in conjunction with 2403/2404 History 2 A/B (IB) with satisfies the graduation requirement.

Course Code	Course Title	GR	Description	Fees
2110/2112	US History A/B	9	This course is a continuation of eighth grade U.S. history. Students learn key concepts and events through reading, writing, document analysis, and historical thinking. In the first semester, students learn the effects of migration, immigration, and industrialization; the impact of United States involvement in world affairs through World War I; and major developments of the 1920s and 1930s. In the second semester, students learn the impact of World War II; the origins and effects of the Cold War; cultural changes in post-war America including the expansion of civil rights; and foreign and domestic policies between 1968 and 1991. <b><i>This course is required for graduation.</i></b>	
2111/2113	Hon. US History A/B	9	This course is a continuation of eighth grade U.S. history. Students learn key concepts and events through reading, writing, document analysis, and historical thinking. In the first semester, students learn the effects of migration, immigration, and industrialization; the impact of United States involvement in world affairs through World War I; and major developments of the 1920s and 1930s. In the second semester, students learn the impact of World War II; the origins and effects of the Cold War; cultural changes in post-war America including the expansion of civil rights; and foreign and domestic policies between 1968 and 1991. <b><i>This course is required for graduation.</i></b>	
2114/2124	AP US History A/B	9 or 11-12	This course is for students desiring a freshman college-level course in United States history. The course is a survey of this nation's history from 1607 to the present, using a college-level text and requiring college-level writing and discussion. <b><i>AP U.S. History A/B satisfies the graduation requirement of a year in U.S. History. Resource Teacher Approval required</i></b>	\$
2107/2108	NSL Government A/B	10	Students will utilize inquiry and literacy skills to develop a deep understanding of the foundation and structures of the U.S. government, evaluate the importance of citizen participation, and analyze the impact of principles, laws, people, and organizations on domestic, foreign, and economic policies that affect our daily lives. Throughout the course, students study contemporary public policy issues while deepening their ability to analyze and evaluate sources and respond to document based questions. <b><i>This course satisfies the NSL Government graduation requirement. SSL hours: first semester, 7; second semester, 8</i></b>	
2127/2128	Hon. NSL Government A/B	10	Students will utilize inquiry and literacy skills to develop a deep understanding of the foundation and structures of the U.S. government, evaluate the importance of citizen participation, and analyze the impact of principles, laws, people, and organizations on domestic, foreign, and economic policies that affect our daily lives. Throughout	

			the course, students study contemporary public policy issues while deepening their ability to analyze and evaluate sources and respond to document based questions. <b><i>This course satisfies the NSL Government graduation requirement. SSL hours: first semester, 7; second semester, 8</i></b>	
2104/2105	AP Gov't and Politics A/B	10 or 11-12	This course is a year-long survey of American government. The course combines the content and skill development of AP U.S. Government and Politics and National, State, and Local Government. <b><i>AP United States Government and Politics with NSL may be used to satisfy the graduation requirement for National, State and Local Government A and B. SSL hours: first semester, 7; second semester, 8</i></b>	\$
2221/2222	Modern World History A/B	11	Throughout the course students examine past world history and draw connections to similar concepts and forces at work today. Students will build an understanding of the complexity of our global relationships. Concept-based instruction, a comparative case study approach, and historical thinking skills are used to frame world history from the 15th century to today. <b><i>This course is required for graduation.</i></b>	
2223/2224	Hon. Modern World History A/B	11-12	Throughout the course students examine past world history and draw connections to similar concepts and forces at work today. Students will build an understanding of the complexity of our global relationships. Concept-based instruction, a comparative case study approach, and historical thinking skills are used to frame world history from the 15th century to today. <b><i>This course is required for graduation.</i></b>	
2240/2241	AP World History A/B	11-12	This college-level course helps students develop greater understanding of world history and human societies. This understanding is advanced through a combination of selective factual knowledge and appropriate analytical skills. The chronological time frame is from 8000 BCE to the present. <b><i>AP World History A/B satisfies the graduation requirement of a year in Modern World History.</i></b>	\$
2230/2231	IB History 1 A/B	11	This course, the first year of a required two-year sequence, surveys European and world history from the Renaissance (1450) through the Age of Enlightenment (1750) up to 1900. Emphasis is on the rise of the European nation states; the scientific, economic, industrial, and political revolutions; colonialism; the new imperialism and its impact on Asia and Africa; nationalistic movements in Europe; and the long-term causes of World War I. <b><i>Earning two credits in IB History 1 and 2 (2230/2231 and 2403/2403) satisfies the graduation requirement of a year of Modern World History.</i></b>	\$
2403/2404	IB History 2 A/B Prerequisite History 1 IB	12	This detailed study of 20th century history completes the requirement for the higher-level IB History examination. The first semester focuses on the causes, practices, and effects of war; the rise of single-party states; and the work of international organizations and minorities in the modern state. Second-semester topics include nationalistic political movements, decolonization, social change, the artist and society, and religion and politics. <b><i>Earning two credits in IB History 1 and 2 (2230/2231 and 2403/2403) satisfies the graduation requirement of a year of Modern World History.</i></b>	\$

**Electives**

5146/5147	Law and Administrative Justice A/B	9-12	This yearlong course will focus on law within our society, informing citizens of their rights, and the ability to support a position based on facts. The course begins with an in-depth focus on the Bill of Rights and continues with the consideration of due process, equal protection, and human rights. In the second semester, students will apply their knowledge through mock trial and moot court opportunities. All students will learn and demonstrate critical-thinking and legal-research skills.	
2330/2331	AP Psychology A/B	11-12	This college-level course prepares students for the AP exam. Students scientifically study behavior and investigate the psychological domains-methods of research, biopsychology, cognitive processes, lifespan development, and sociocultural dimensions of behavior, thinking and language, states of consciousness, individual differences, personality and assessment, and psychological disorders and their treatment.	\$
2232/2233	IB Psychology A/B	11-12	This course focuses on the nature of human beings, appreciation of psychology, and methods of psychological inquiry. Students study human behavior through four psychological perspectives: behavioral, cognitive, humanistic/phenomenological, and psychodynamic. Students also study research design, methods, statistics, and ethical issues in psychological research and application and undertake one internally assessed research study.	\$
2332/2333	AP Human Geography A/B	11-12	This college-level course introduces students to the systematic study of patterns and processes that have shaped human understanding, use, and alteration of Earth's surface. Students employ spatial concepts and landscape analysis to analyze human social organization and its environmental consequences. They also learn about the methods and tools geographers use in their science and practice.	\$
2242/2243	IB Social and Cultural Anthropology A/B	11-12	Social and cultural anthropology is the comparative study of culture and human societies. Anthropologists seek an understanding of humankind in all its diversity. This understanding is reached through the study of societies and cultures and the exploration of the general principles of social and cultural life. Social and cultural anthropology places special emphasis on comparative perspectives that challenge cultural assumptions.	\$
2327/2328	Hon. Sociology 1/2			

H - Honors level    AP- Advance Placement (College Board)    IB- International Baccalaureate

***For any other options and questions please see Ms. Michelle Pettit, Resource Teacher (RT) for guidance and information.***

# Rockville HS - Social Studies Sequence Options\*

