

### III. HISTORY, POLITICS, and INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

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#### Guidelines for Mathematical Sciences Courses

**History and Public History majors.** There is no specific math course required for the History major. Familiarity with digital technology is increasingly important for students in the humanities with new developments in the digital humanities majors. Students interested in pursuing digital applications in the humanities should consider taking courses in CIS. The introductory CIS courses to consider include:

**CIS 171 Problem Solving with Computers** focuses on using computers and software to create reports, images, spreadsheets, web pages, and databases.

**CIS 180 Introduction to Computer and Information Science** covers both technical and social aspects of computing, including privacy, security, reliability, and ethics.

**CIS 181 Introduction to Computer Programming** in Python is the introductory programming course for both majors and non-majors.

We recommend students with a History or Public History major enroll in MATH 101, MATH 102, MATH 107, or CIS 171 in their first year, unless they have had a pre-calculus course; then they should consider MATH 108. Statistical literacy is another important area of mathematical study, and STAT 269 introduces statistical methods and meets the QuEST requirement.

**Politics and International Relations majors.** Students interested in pursuing digital applications in the humanities should consider taking courses in CIS (listed above). For students interested in math, we strongly recommend students enroll in STAT 269. Students may alternately students enroll in MATH 101, MATH 102, or MATH 107 in their first year, unless they have had a pre-calculus course; then they should consider MATH 108.

#### Students with Advanced Placement credit:

Requirements for courses in mathematical sciences can be met through Advanced Placement exam credit. Students who have taken AP exams in calculus, computer science, or statistics should go to the math department's website ([www.messiah.edu/departments/mathsci/courses/ap\\_credit.html](http://www.messiah.edu/departments/mathsci/courses/ap_credit.html)) to find out how credit is awarded for your scores.

## 8 semester plan History (B.A.)

Course #	Course Name	Credits	Course #	Course Name	Credits
<b>First Year – Fall</b>			<b>First Year – Spring</b>		
IDFY 101	First year seminar *	3	IDCR 151	Created and Called for Community *	3
LANG	1 <sup>st</sup> semester foreign language *	3	LANG	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester foreign language *	3
ENG / SPAN	Literature *	3	Varies	Laboratory Science *	3-4
COMM 105	Foundations of Oral Communication *	3	HIST 202	Historical Methods	3
HIST 201	Introduction to History	1	HIST 203	Effective Historical Writing	1
HIST 2xx	1 <sup>st</sup> 200-level course <sup>1</sup>	3	HIST 2xx	2 <sup>nd</sup> 200-level course <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>16</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>16-17</b>
<b>Sophomore – Fall</b>			<b>Sophomore – Spring</b>		
LANG	3 <sup>rd</sup> semester foreign language *	3	Varies	Arts *	3
Varies	Mathematical Science *	3	BIBL 2xx	Bible *	3
PHIL / REL	Phil/Religion *	3	WELL 1xx	Wellness Activity *	1
HIST 2xx	3 <sup>rd</sup> 200-level course <sup>1</sup>	3	HIST 2xx	4 <sup>th</sup> 200-level course <sup>1</sup>	3
Varies	Free elective	3	HIST 3xx	First 300-level Seminar	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Junior – Fall</b>			<b>Junior – Spring</b>		
THEO 2xx	Christian Beliefs *	3	IDPL	Ethics, World Views, and Pluralism * <sup>2</sup>	3
HIST 3xx	2 <sup>nd</sup> 300-level seminar	3		Experiential learning (encouraged here)	0-1
HIST 3xx	3 <sup>rd</sup> 300-level seminar	3	HIST 3xx	4 <sup>th</sup> 300-level seminar	3
Varies	Free Elective	3	Varies	Free Elective	3
Varies	Free Elective	3	Varies	Free Elective	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>15-16</b>
<b>Senior – Fall</b>			<b>Senior – Spring</b>		
IDST 3xx	Science, Tech & the World *	3	Hist 3xx	6 <sup>th</sup> 300-level seminar	3
HIST 401	Historiography & Philosophy of History	3	Varies	Free elective	3
HIST 3xx	5 <sup>th</sup> 300-level seminar	3	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>15</b>

\* QuEST / General Education requirement

1. Students may fulfill QuEST non-western studies requirement by taking HIST 271, 272, 273, or 274.

2. Students may fulfill QuEST ethics and pluralism requirement by taking HIST 345, 352, 355, or 392.

## History (B.A.) with Secondary Social Studies Teaching Certification

Course #	Course name	Credits	Course #	Course name	Credits
<b>First Year – Fall</b>			<b>First Year – Spring</b>		
HIST 201	Introduction to History	1	HIST 202	Historical Methods	3
HIST 2xx	1 <sup>st</sup> 200-level course	3	HIST 203	Effective Historical Writing	1
IDFY 101	First Year Seminar *	3	HIST 2xx	2 <sup>nd</sup> 200-level course	3
COMM 105	Foundations of Oral Communication *	3	varies	1 <sup>st</sup> Mathematical Science *	3-4
LANG	1 <sup>st</sup> semester foreign language *	3	IDCR 151	Created and Called for Community *	3
ENGL 1xx	ENGL 122 to ENGL 175 *	3	LANG	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester foreign language *	3
			WELL 1xx	Wellness *	1
		<b>TOTAL 16</b>			<b>TOTAL 17-18</b>
			Submit three required security clearances (FBI, Child Abuse, Criminal) by 3/31. Complete Basic Skills requirement (PAPA or ETS CORE), if not exempt based on SAT/ACT scores, by end of summer after first year.		
<b>Sophomore – Fall</b>			<b>Sophomore – Spring</b>		
HIST 2xx	3 <sup>rd</sup> 200-level course	3	HIST 2xx	4 <sup>th</sup> 200-level course	3
Varies	2 <sup>nd</sup> Mathematical Science *	3	HIST 3xx	1 <sup>st</sup> 300-level seminar	3
EDUC 203	Educational Psychology +	3	HIST 3xx	2 <sup>nd</sup> 300-level seminar	3
EDSP 207	Introduction to Special Education +	3	ECON 110/120	Principles of Macro OR Microeconomics	3
TEP 210	Sophomore Field Experience +	0	HDFS 311	Adolescent Develop (EDUC 203 prereq)	3
LANG	3 <sup>rd</sup> semester language *	3	BIBL 20x	Bible *	3
		<b>TOTAL 15</b>			<b>TOTAL 18</b>
These courses also offered in spring			Submit TEP application electronically by 3/31. Clearances completed last year must be <1 yr old.		
<b>Junior – Fall</b>			<b>Junior – Spring</b>		
HIST 3xx	3 <sup>rd</sup> 300-level seminar	3	HIST 3xx	4 <sup>th</sup> 300-level seminar	3
HIST 390 (or HIST 3xx)	Teaching History and Social Studies <sup>1</sup>	3	Varies	Laboratory Science *	3
EDUC 208	Teaching English Language Learners +	3	Varies	Philosophy or Religion *	3
EDUC 331	Instructional Design and Assessment +	3	GEOG 103	Regional Geography of the World <sup>2</sup>	3
EDSP 307	Inclusion Practice +	3	POLI 113	American Government	3
TEP 310	Junior Field Experience +	0	EDUC 346	Sociocultural Perspectives in Educ <sup>3</sup>	3
		<b>TOTAL 15</b>			<b>TOTAL 18</b>
			Submit Professional Semester application electronically by 1/15.		
<b>Senior – Fall</b>			<b>Senior – Spring</b>		
HIST 401	Historiography and Philosophy of History	3	TEP 407	Student Teaching Seminar +	1
HIST 3xx (or HIST 390)	5 <sup>th</sup> 300-level history	3	EDUC 420	Professional Issues in Education +	2
Varies	Science, Tech, & World *	3	TEP 410	Secondary Pre-Student Teaching Exp.+	0
Varies	Arts *	3	TEP 435/439	Student Teaching: Secondary +	9
THEO 2xx	Christian Beliefs *	3			
Take Praxis II exam summer prior to senior year and up to six weeks prior to graduation date.			Apply for PA certification on or after May 1. <b>No other courses may be taken in the Professional Semester.</b>		
		<b>TOTAL 15</b>			<b>TOTAL 12</b>

\* QuEST / General Education requirement      + Courses are co-requisite and should be taken during the same semester:

1. HIST 390 is offered every other year in the fall; take when offered during fall of junior or senior year.
2. GEOG 103 fulfills QuEST non-western studies requirement.
3. EDUC 346 fulfills QuEST ethics and pluralism requirement.

## Public History (B.A.)

Course #	Course name	Credits	Course #	Course name	Credits
<b>First Year – Fall</b>			<b>First Year – Spring</b>		
IDFY 101	First Year Seminar *	3	IDCR 151	Created and Called for Community *	3
COMM 105	Foundations of Oral Communication *	3	LANG	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester foreign language *	3
ENGL 1xx	Literature *	3	Varies	Laboratory Science *	3-4
LANG	1 <sup>st</sup> semester foreign language *	3	HIST 202	Historical Methods	3
HIST 201	Introduction to History	1	HIST 203	Effective Historical Writing	1
HIST 2xx	1 <sup>st</sup> 200-level course <sup>1</sup>	3	HIST 2xx	2 <sup>nd</sup> 200-level course <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>16</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>16-17</b>
<b>Sophomore – Fall</b>			<b>Sophomore – Spring</b>		
LANG	3 <sup>rd</sup> semester foreign language **	3	Varies	Arts *	3
Varies	Mathematical Science *	3-4	BIBL 20x	Bible *	3
PHIL/RELI	Philosophy or Religion*	3	WELL 1xx	Wellness *	1
HIST 2xx	3 <sup>rd</sup> 200-level course <sup>1</sup>	3	HIST 300x	1 <sup>st</sup> 300-level seminar	3
HIST 294	Digital History (3 <sup>rd</sup> 200-level course) <sup>2</sup>	3	Varies	Free elective	3
			Varies	Free elective	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15-16</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Junior – Fall</b>			<b>Junior – Spring</b>		
THEO 2xx	QuEST Christian Beliefs*	3	HIST 3xx	4 <sup>th</sup> 300-level seminar	3
HIST 3xx	2 <sup>nd</sup> 300-level seminar	3	HIST 393	Public History <sup>2</sup>	3
Varies	3 <sup>rd</sup> 300-level seminar	3	Varies	1 <sup>st</sup> Experiential Learning/Internship	1
Varies	Applied course for Public History major	3	IDPL	Ethics, World View, or Pluralism * <sup>3</sup>	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
			Varies	Free elective	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Senior – Fall</b>			<b>Senior – Spring</b>		
Varies	Science, Tech, & World *	3	HIST 3xx	6 <sup>th</sup> 300-level seminar	3
HIST 401	Historiography and Philosophy of History	3	Varies	Free elective	3
HIST 3xx	5 <sup>th</sup> 300-level seminar	3	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	2 <sup>nd</sup> Experiential Learning/Internship	4	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective (if needed to reach 123)	1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>16</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>13</b>

\* QuEST / General Education requirement

1. Students may fulfill QuEST non-western studies requirement by taking HIST 271, 272, 273, or 274.

2. Digital History (HIST 294) and Public History (HIST 393) are typically offered in alternate years and do not need to be taken in order.

3. Students may fulfill QuEST ethics and pluralism requirement by taking HIST 345, 352, 355, or 392.

**Politics and International Relations with American Studies Concentration - EVEN**  
Even year start

Course #	Course name	Credits	Course #	Course name	Credits
<b>First Year – Fall</b>			<b>First Year – Spring</b>		
IDFY 101	First Year Seminar*	3	IDCR 151	Created and Called for Community*	3
COMM 105	Foundations of Oral Communication*	3	Varies	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester foreign language*	3
Varies	1 <sup>st</sup> semester foreign language*	3	Varies	QuEST Mathematical Science	3-4
POLI 212	International Politics	3	HIST xxx	QuEST U.S. History*	3
POLI 213	Comparative Politics	3	WELL 1xx	Wellness*	1
			POLI 113	American Government	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>16-17</b>
<b>Sophomore – Fall</b>			<b>Sophomore – Spring</b>		
Varies	3 <sup>rd</sup> semester language*	3	Varies	QuEST Laboratory Science*	3-4
ENGL 1xx	QuEST Literature*	3	PHIL/RELI	QuEST Philosophy or Religion*	3
BIBL 20x	Knowledge of the Bible*	3	Varies	Free elective	3
POLI xxx	Politics elective (POLI 316***)	3	POLI 220	Parties and Elections**	3
Varies	Free elective	3	POLI 314	Constitutional Law	3
Varies	Free elective	3			
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15-16</b>
<b>Junior – Fall</b>			<b>Junior – Spring</b>		
Varies	QuEST Christian Beliefs*	3	Varies	QuEST non-western*	3
Varies	QuEST Arts (ART, THEA, MUGE)*	3	POLI 243	Political Research Methods	3
POLI 240	American Presidency	3	POLI 334	Public Opinion & Political Socialization**	3
POLI 332	Congress	3	POLI 372 or INTE 391	Preparing for Public Service or Internship	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Senior – Fall</b>			<b>Senior – Spring</b>		
POLI 323	Public Policy	3	Varies	Science, Tech, & World*	3
Varies	Free elective	3	POLI 494	Politics Seminar	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>

\*QuEST requirement

\*\*Take either POLI 220 OR POLI 334 to meet Political Forces requirement

\*\*\*Students who have an interest in the legal system may wish to take POLI 316, which also meets QuEST Pluralism.

**Politics and International Relations with American Studies Concentration - ODD**  
Odd year start

Course #	Course name	Credits	Course #	Course name	Credits
<b>First Year – Fall</b>			<b>First Year – Spring</b>		
IDFY 101	First Year Seminar*	3	IDCR 151	Created and Called for Community*	3
COMM 105	Foundations of Oral Communication*	3	Varies	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester foreign language*	3
Varies	1 <sup>st</sup> semester foreign language*	3	Varies	QuEST Mathematical Science	3-4
POLI 212	International Politics	3	HIST xxx	QuEST U.S. History*	3
POLI 213	Comparative Politics	3	WELL 1xx	Wellness*	1
			POLI 113	American Government	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>15</b>
<b>Sophomore – Fall</b>			<b>Sophomore – Spring</b>		
Varies	3 <sup>rd</sup> semester language*	3	POLI 243	Political Research Methods	3
BIBL 20x	Knowledge of the Bible*	3	PHIL/RELI	QuEST Philosophy or Religion*	3
POLI 240	American Presidency	3	ENGL 1xx	QuEST Literature*	3
Varies	QuEST Laboratory Science*	3-4	POLI 334	Public Opinion & Political Socialization**	3
POLI 332	Congress	3	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	Free elective	3			
		<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>18</b>
<b>Junior – Fall</b>			<b>Junior – Spring</b>		
Varies	QuEST Christian Beliefs*	3	Varies	QuEST non-western*	3
Varies	QuEST Arts (ART, THEA, MUGE)*	3	POLI 220	Parties and Elections **	3
POLI 323	Public Policy	3	POLI 494	Politics Seminar	3
Varies	Free elective or POLI 316***	3	POLI 314	Constitutional Law	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	Free elective	3			
		<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>18</b>
<b>Senior – Fall</b>			<b>Senior – Spring</b>		
POLI xxx	Politics elective	3	Varies	Science, Tech, & World*	3
Varies	Free elective	3	POLI 372 or INTE 391	Preparing for Public Service or Internship	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>15</b>

\*QuEST requirement

\*\*Take either POLI 220 OR POLI 334 to meet Political Forces requirement, POLI 334 meets QuEST Pluralism

\*\*\*Students who have an interest in the legal system may wish to take POLI 316, which also meets QuEST Pluralism. This course may be used to meet the Politics elective requirement for the major.

**Politics & International Relations with International Relations concentration EVEN**  
Even Year start

Course #	Course name	Credits	Course #	Course name	Credits
<b>First Year – Fall</b>			<b>First Year – Spring</b>		
IDFY 101	First Year Seminar*	3	IDCR 151	Created and Called for Community*	3
COMM 105	Foundations of Oral Communication*	3	varies	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester foreign language*	3
Varies	1 <sup>st</sup> semester foreign language*	3	Varies	QuEST Mathematical Science	3-4
POLI 212	International Politics	3	HIST xxx	QuEST History*	3
POLI 213	Comparative Politics	3	POLI 243	Political Research Methods	3
			WELL 1xx	Wellness*	1
		<b>TOTAL 15</b>			<b>TOTAL 16-17</b>
<b>Sophomore – Fall</b>			<b>Sophomore – Spring</b>		
varies	3 <sup>rd</sup> semester language*	3	ECON 220	Principles of Microeconomics	3
BIBL 20x	Knowledge of the Bible*	3	POLI 113	American Government	3
ECON 120	Principles of Macroeconomics	3	POLI xxx	2 <sup>nd</sup> POLI regional expertise course	3
ENGL 1xx	QuEST Literature*	3	POLI 362	Theories of International Relations	3
POLI xxx	1 <sup>st</sup> POLI regional expertise course	3	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	Free elective	3			
		<b>TOTAL 18</b>			<b>TOTAL 15</b>
<b>Junior – Fall</b>			<b>Junior – Spring</b>		
Varies	QuEST Christian Beliefs*	3	Varies	QuEST non-western*	3
Varies	QuEST Laboratory Science*	3-4	POLI xxx	3 <sup>rd</sup> POLI regional expertise course	3
PHIL/RELI	QuEST Philosophy or Religion*	3	Varies	QuEST Arts (ART, THEA, MUGE)*	3
Varies	Free elective	3	POLI 494	Politics Seminar	3
Varies	Free elective	3	POLI xxx	1 <sup>st</sup> POLI issue expertise course <sup>1</sup>	3
		<b>TOTAL 15-16</b>			<b>TOTAL 15</b>
<b>Senior – Fall</b>			<b>Senior – Spring</b>		
POLI xxx	2 <sup>nd</sup> POLI issue expertise course <sup>1</sup>	3	Varies	Science, Tech, & World*	3
Varies	Free elective	3	POLI xxx	3 <sup>rd</sup> POLI issue expertise course <sup>1</sup>	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
		<b>TOTAL 15</b>			<b>TOTAL 15</b>

\*QuEST requirement

<sup>1</sup> Politics and International Relations majors may take any approved course that meets QuEST Ethics, Worldviews or Pluralism. However, within the issue area expertise block for the IR concentration, POLI 330 and POLI 366 meet QuEST Ethics.

**Politics & International Relations with International Relations concentration ODD**  
Odd Year start

Course #	Course name	Credits	Course #	Course name	Credits
<b>First Year – Fall</b>			<b>First Year – Spring</b>		
IDFY 101	First Year Seminar*	3	IDCR 151	Created and Called for Community*	3
COMM 105	Foundations of Oral Communication*	3	varies	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester foreign language*	3
Varies	1 <sup>st</sup> semester foreign language*	3	WELL 1xx	Wellness*	1
POLI 212	International Politics	3	HIST xxx	QuEST History*	3
POLI 213	Comparative Politics	3	Varies	QuEST Mathematical Science	3-4
			ENGL 1xx	QuEST Literature*	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15-16</b>
<b>Sophomore – Fall</b>			<b>Sophomore – Spring</b>		
Varies	3 <sup>rd</sup> semester language*	3			
BIBL 20x	Knowledge of the Bible*	3	ECON 220	Principles of Microeconomics	3
ECON 120	Principles of Macroeconomics	3	POLI 113	American Government	3
PHIL/RELI	QuEST Philosophy or Religion*	3	POLI 243	Political Research Methods	3
Varies	QuEST Arts (ART, THEA, MUGE)*	3	POLI xxx	1 <sup>st</sup> POLI regional expertise course	3
Varies	Free elective	3	POLI xxx	1 <sup>st</sup> POLI issue expertise course <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Junior – Fall</b>			<b>Junior – Spring</b>		
Varies	QuEST Christian Beliefs*	3	Varies	QuEST non-western*	3
POLI xxx	2 <sup>nd</sup> POLI regional expertise course	3	POLI xxx	3 <sup>rd</sup> POLI regional expertise course	3
Varies	QuEST Laboratory Science*	3-4	POLI xxx	2 <sup>nd</sup> POLI issue expertise course <sup>1</sup>	3
Varies	Free elective	3	POLI 362	Theories of International Relations	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15-16</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Senior – Fall</b>			<b>Senior – Spring</b>		
POLI xxx	3 <sup>rd</sup> POLI issue expertise course <sup>1</sup>	3	Varies	Science, Tech, & World*	3
Varies	Free elective	3	POLI 494	Politics Seminar	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
Varies	Free elective	3	Varies	Free elective	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>

\*QuEST requirement

<sup>1</sup> Politics and International Relations majors may take any approved course that meets QuEST Ethics, Worldviews or Pluralism. However, within the issue area expertise block for the IR concentration, POLI 330 and POLI 366 meet QuEST Ethics.