

# 10th Grade Social Studies Options

1. World History/Geography 1500 to present Academic 745300 Virtual Loudoun 745V00 Grade(s): 10 Credit: 1 Prerequisite: None

Today, individuals live in a global world that allows them to log on to a computer and talk live to other students in China, India, or South Africa. World History helps students understand how different societies developed the way they did and prepares students to live in a global, interconnected society. In World History II, students expand their ability to think clearly and carefully about social and historical forces that have shaped the world. They compare the roles of different groups of people, including young people, in different times and places. They learn to think in an organized way to understand history and to express themselves in all forms of writing, both formal and informal. This course assists students in the study of modern human history by posing the questions: What changes and events have caused people to live the way they do today? What progress have humans made? What problems still exist today? What solutions to these problems can individuals of today offer?

2. AP World History 751000 Grade(s): 10-12 (Sequenced for Grade 10) Credit: 1 Prerequisite: World History/Geography

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both formal and informal. They also have a chance to complete an inquiry-based project on a World History topic of personal interest. This course teaches students to think critically and to develop the ability to use evidence to make arguments and draw conclusions. Students have the opportunity to take the AP World History exam in May with the possibility of earning college credit.

3. AP Human Geography 741100 Grade(s): 10-12 Credit: 1  
Prerequisite: None

AP Human geography helps students analyze the world and their relationship to it. Students learn to look for geographic causes for events in different regions to compare geographic features and their effects on human life, and to see how their lives are connected to and affected by human and geographic conditions all over the globe. In this course, students write, read, discuss, and present issues of global and local importance. Students also learn about an important tool for Human Geography: GIS software. AP Human Geography prepares individuals to be part of the solution to the challenges facing humanity on Earth in the 21st Century. Students have the opportunity to take the AP Human Geography exam in May with the possibility of earning college credit