

Social Studies Course Flowchart -- 2010-2011 School Year

Freshmen

Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors

Only Juniors & Seniors may take

Group I—Must take one

American
Studies II

Contemporary American History

OR

Historical Viewpoints of Modern
America (more in-depth)

OR

AP United States History (**3 terms—juniors & seniors only**)

Group III—Must take at least one

Economics

Applied Economics (more hands on)

Sociology

Psychology

Advanced Psychology (Psychology is a Prerequisite)

Intro to Psychology (Joint Credit course with Scott Com.)

Group II—Must take at least one

Early Western Civilization

Modern Western Civilization

World Cultures

U.S. Cultural Tapestry

Geography

Contemporary World Issues GLS 100 (Joint Credit Course with SCC. Juniors & Seniors only)

Group IV—Must take one

American Government

OR

AP US Government (**3 terms**--Sophomores may take with
instructor approval)

Electives

Independent Study in Social Studies (sophomores, juniors or seniors)

Student Senate Student Council (open to all West High students)

Student page Iowa General Assembly (open to all West high Students)

American Studies is a two term course and the student receives .5 units of credit for each term.

All other courses (except for AP United States History and AP US Government and Politics) are for one term and a student receives .5 units of credit for each course.

Advanced Psychology and *Introduction to Psychology* are the only courses with a prerequisite. Both courses require that Psychology be taken first. Scott Community College requires that the COMPASS test be completed when students have earned more than 6 hours of credit from Scott Community College.

Students must successfully complete term 3 of AP United States History to receive Group 1 credit.

Students are required to successfully complete American Studies II and successfully complete at least one course from each of groups I, II, III, and IV.