## San Clemente High School *SOCIAL SCIENCE* Course Placement Guidelines

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| Taking Social Science as a freshman is optional | World History  
This course meets the World History grad requirement  
Listed as “Wh/Geo/Cult” in Aeries portal | US History  
This course meets the US History grad requirement | American Government/Economics  
This course meets the Econ/Gov grad requirement |
| World History TWI  
This course meets the World History grad requirement  
Offered only to 10th graders in TWI program | | American Cultures  
This course meets the US History grad requirement  
Listed as “AmCul/HisAcc” in Aeries portal  
Enrolled in American Cultures (English)  
AND  
Earned a B or better in 10th grade social science OR  
Earned a C or better in 10th grade AP social science | Note:  
Students take American Government for a semester and Economics for a semester |
| **ADVANCED** (weighted) | | | |
| Honors World History  
This course meets the World History grad requirement  
Enrolled in Honors English I or Meets the criteria for Honors English I  
**Recommendation:**  
Concurrent enrollment in Honors English I. This combination is designed to prepare students for the rigors of AP classes their sophomore year | AP European History  
This course meets the World History grad requirement  
Earned a B or better in English I OR  
Enrolled in Honors English II | AP US History  
This course meets the US History grad requirement  
Enrolled in AP/IB Language and Composition OR  
Earned a B or better in 10th grade social science OR  
Earned a C or better in 10th grade AP social science | Psychology/Sociology  
This course counts as elective credit, NOT social science credit |
| Honors World History TWI  
This course meets the World History grad requirement  
Only offered to 9th graders in TWI program  
Concurrent enrollment in Spanish IV | AP Art History  
This course is a VPA elective, NOT social science credit  
Earned a B or better in English I OR  
Earned a C or better in Honors English II  
AND  
Passed Honors World History OR  
Concurrent enrollment in World History OR  
Concurrent enrollment in AP European History | AP Psychology  
This course counts as elective credit, NOT social science credit  
Earned a B or better in 10th grade social science OR  
Earned a C or better in 10th grade AP social science | |
| AP Art History  
This course is a VPA elective, NOT social science credit  
Earned a B or better in 10th grade social science OR  
Earned a C or better in 10th grade AP social science | | AP Government  
This course meets the Econ/Gov graduation requirement  
Listed as “AP American Gov’t/Econ” in Aeries portal  
Earned a B or better in US History OR  
Earned a B or better in Am. Cultures/Hist. Acc. OR  
Earned a C or better in AP US History | |
| AP US History  
This course meets the US History grad requirement  
Enrolled in AP/IB Language and Composition OR  
Earned a B or better in 10th grade social science OR  
Earned a C or better in 10th grade AP social science | | AP Economics  
This course meets the Econ/Gov graduation requirement  
Listed as “Econ/Gov AP” in Aeries portal  
Earned a B or better in US History OR  
Earned a B or better in Am. Cultures/Hist. Acc. OR  
Earned a C or better in AP US History | |
| IB Global Politics  
This course meets the Econ/Gov graduation requirement  
Priority given to IB Diploma students  
Earned a C or better in AP US History | | | |
| AP History  
This course counts as elective credit, NOT social science credit  
Earned a B or better in 11th grade social science OR  
Earned a C or better in 11th grade AP social science | | AP Psychology  
This course is a VPA elective, NOT social science credit  
Earned a B or better in 11th grade social science OR  
Earned a C or better in 11th grade AP social science | |
| IB History  
This course is a VPA elective, NOT social science credit  
Earned a B or better in 11th grade social science OR  
Earned a C or better in 11th grade AP social science | | AP Art History  
This course is a VPA elective, NOT social science credit  
Earned a B or better in 11th grade social science OR  
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**PLEASE NOTE:** Students can move between standard and advanced courses as long as they meet the course prerequisites.