This course outline includes all of the modules and topics in this course and their alignment to the 2015 Virginia History and Social Science Standards of Learning. Please note: Virginia Standards of Learning WHI.1 i and j are covered across all course modules.

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		rpose of this module is to provide resources and review skills that	
	students need in order to be successful in this course. Module 1: Early Humans: The Paleolithic and Neolithic Eras		
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Topic 1	Early Humans	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.2 The student will apply social science skills to understand the period from the Paleolithic Era to the agricultural revolution by a) explaining the impact of geographic environment on huntergatherer societies; b) describing characteristics of hunter-gatherer societies, including their use of tools and fire; and d) analyzing how archaeological discoveries are changing current understanding of early societies.	
Topic 2	The Neolithic Era	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.2 The student will apply social science skills to understand the period from the Paleolithic Era to the agricultural revolution by c) analyzing how technological and social developments gave rise to sedentary communities. d) analyzing how archaeological discoveries are changing current understanding of early societies.	
Module 2:	Module 2: Ancient River Valley Civilizations		
Topic 1	Mesopotamia	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible	



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		a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends
		to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.3 The student will apply social science skills to understand the ancient river valley civilizations, including those of Mesopotamia, Egypt, the Indus River Valley, and China and the civilizations of the Hebrews and Phoenicians, by a) locating these civilizations in time and place and describing their major geographic features; b) describing the development of social, political, and economic patterns, including slavery; c) explaining the development and interactions of religious traditions; and
Topic 2	Ancient Egypt	e) explaining the development of language and writing. WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.3 The student will apply social science skills to understand the ancient river valley civilizations, including those of Mesopotamia, Egypt, the Indus River Valley, and China and the civilizations of the Hebrews and Phoenicians, by a) locating these civilizations in time and place and describing their major geographic features; b) describing the development of social, political, and economic patterns, including slavery; c) explaining the development and interactions of religious traditions; and e) explaining the development of language and writing.



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Topic 3	Secondary Civilizations: Hebrews, Phoenicians, Nubians, and Lydians	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.3 The student will apply social science skills to understand the ancient river valley civilizations, including those of Mesopotamia, Egypt, the Indus River Valley, and China and the civilizations of the Hebrews and Phoenicians, by a) locating these civilizations in time and place and describing their major geographic features; b) describing the development of social, political, and economic patterns, including slavery; c) explaining the development and interactions of religious traditions; d) describing the origins, beliefs, traditions, customs, and spread of Judaism; and e) explaining the development of language and writing.
Module Assess -ment	Bodystorming Assessment	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place; and h) using a decision-making model to analyze and explain the incentives for and consequences of a specific choice made.
Module 3: Classical Civilizations and Religious Traditions		
Topic 1	The Persian Empire	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; and



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Topic 2	Topic 2 Ancient India: The Aryan Civilization	c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history. WHI.4 The student will apply social science skills to understand civilizations of Persia, India, and China in terms of chronology, geography, social structures, government, economy, religion, and contributions to later civilizations by a) locating Persia in time and place, including Zoroastrianism and the development of an imperial bureaucracy. WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; and c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history. WHI.3 The student will apply social science skills to understand the ancient river valley civilizations, including those of Mesopotamia, Egypt, the Indus River Valley, and China and the civilizations of the Hebrews and Phoenicians, by a) locating these civilizations in time and place and describing their major geographic features; b) describing the development of social, political, and economic patterns, including slavery; and e) explaining the development of language and writing. WHI.4 The student will apply social science skills to understand civilizations of Persia, India, and China in terms of chronology, geography, social structures, government, economy, religion, and contributions to later civilizations by b) locating India in time and place, including its origins, early development, and the debate of the Aryan migrations; d) describing the origins, beliefs, traditions, customs, and spread of Buddhism; and
		f) describing the impact of Confucianism, Taoism, and Buddhism. WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking,
Topic 3	Early Chinese Civilizations	geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; and f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history. WHI.3 The student will apply social science skills to understand the ancient river valley civilizations, including those of Mesopotamia, Egypt, the Indus River Valley, and China and the civilizations of the Hebrews and Phoenicians, by



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Topic 4	Comparing and Contrasting Eastern Religions	a) locating these civilizations in time and place and describing their major geographic features; b) describing the development of social, political, and economic patterns, including slavery; and e) explaining the development of language and writing. WHI.4 The student will apply social science skills to understand civilizations of Persia, India, and China in terms of chronology, geography, social structures, government, economy, religion, and contributions to later civilizations by e) locating China in time and place, including the development of an empire and the construction of the Great Wall; and f) describing the impact of Confucianism, Taoism, and Buddhism. WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; and f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history. WHI.4 The student will apply social science skills to understand civilizations of Persia, India, and China in terms of chronology, geography, social structures, government, economy, religion, and contributions to later civilizations by c) describing the origins, beliefs, traditions, customs, and spread
		of Hinduism; d) describing the origins, beliefs, traditions, customs, and spread of Buddhism; and
		f) describing the impact of Confucianism, Taoism, and Buddhism.
Module 4:	Ancient Greece	
Topic 1	Geography and its Impact on Greece's Development	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; and g) analyzing connections across time and place. WHI.5 The student will apply social science skills to understand ancient Greece in terms of its impact on Western civilization by a) locating Greek civilizations in time and place and describing their major geographic features; b) describing the social and religious structure of ancient Greece; and



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		 c) describing the cultural development of Athens and Sparta, with emphasis on the significance of citizenship and the development of democracy.
Topic 2	Greek City-States	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.5 The student will apply social science skills to understand ancient Greece in terms of its impact on Western civilization by c) describing the cultural development of Athens and Sparta, with emphasis on the significance of citizenship and the development of democracy.
Topic 3	City-States at War	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.5 The student will apply social science skills to understand ancient Greece in terms of its impact on Western civilization by d) evaluating the political and economic development of Greece, with emphasis on the Persian and Peloponnesian wars; and e) evaluating the significance of the conquest of Greece by Macedonia and the formation and spread of Hellenistic culture by Alexander the Great.
Topic 4	Greek Influence and Learning	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; and b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history. g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.5



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		The student will apply social science skills to understand ancient Greece in terms of its impact on Western civilization by e) evaluating the significance of the conquest of Greece by Macedonia and the formation and spread of Hellenistic culture by Alexander the Great; and f) citing and explaining contributions in drama, poetry, history, sculpture, architecture, science, mathematics, and philosophy, with emphasis on Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle.
Module 5:	Ancient Rome	,
Topic 1	Geography and Early History of Ancient Rome	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history. WHI.6 The student will apply socials science skills to understand ancient Rome from about 700 B.C. (B.C.E.) to 500 A.D. (C.E.) in terms of its impact on Western civilization by a) locating Roman civilizations in time and place and describing their major geographic features.
Topic 2	Roman Mythology	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.6 The student will apply socials science skills to understand ancient Rome from about 700 B.C. (B.C.E.) to 500 A.D. (C.E.) in terms of its impact on Western civilization by b) describing the social and religious structure of ancient Rome.
Topic 3	The Roman Republic's Rise and Fall	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place; and h) using a decision-making model to analyze and explain the incentives for and consequences of a specific choice made. WHI.6 The student will apply socials science skills to understand ancient



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		Rome from about 700 B.C. (B.C.E.) to 500 A.D. (C.E.) in terms of its impact on Western civilization by b) describing the social and religious structure of ancient Rome. c) describing the social structure and cultural development of the Roman Republic; and d) describing and evaluating the political and military structure of the Roman Republic under the rule of Julius Caesar.
Topic 4	The Roman Empire	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.6 The student will apply socials science skills to understand ancient Rome from about 700 B.C. (B.C.E.) to 500 A.D. (C.E.) in terms of its impact on Western civilization by d) describing and evaluating the political and military structure of the Roman Republic under the rule of Julius Caesar; e) describing and evaluating the political structure of the Roman Empire under the rule of Augustus Caesar; and f) assessing the economic structure of Rome, Rome's imperial conquests, and the Pax Romana.
Topic 5	Christianity in the Roman Empire	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; d) evaluating sources for accuracy, credibility, bias, and propaganda; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.7 The student will apply social science skills to understand the development of Christianity by a) describing the origins, beliefs, traditions, customs, and spread of Christianity in time and place; and b) explaining the unifying role of the Church in Europe after the collapse of Rome.
Topic 6	Decline of the Roman Empire	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine; and characteristics of people, places, or events in world history;



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		f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history.
		WHI.6 The student will apply socials science skills to understand ancient Rome from about 700 B.C. (B.C.E.) to 500 A.D. (C.E.) in terms of its impact on Western civilization by g) evaluating the fall of the Western Roman Empire and the
		Germanic invasions. WHI.7
		The student will apply social science skills to understand the development of Christianity by b) explaining the unifying role of the Church in Europe after the
		collapse of Rome. WHI.1
	Contributions and Legacy of Ancient Rome	The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and
Topic 7		secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.6
		The student will apply socials science skills to understand ancient Rome from about 700 B.C. (B.C.E.) to 500 A.D. (C.E.) in terms of its impact on Western civilization by c) describing the social structure and cultural development of the Roman Republic
Module 6:	The Byzantine Empire ar	nd Eastern Europe
Topic 1	The Byzantine Empire	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; and c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history. WHI.6 The student will apply socials science skills to understand ancient Rome from about 700 B.C. (B.C.E.) to 500 A.D. (C.E.) in terms of its impact on Western civilization by g) evaluating the fall of the Western Roman Empire and the Germanic invasions. WHI.8 The student will apply social science skills to understand the Byzantine Empire and Eastern Europe from about 300 to 1000 A.D. (C.E.) by a) explaining the influence of geography on the establishment of Constantinople as the capital of the Eastern Roman Empire



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		and describing the Byzantine Empire in time and place; b) describing Justinian and his contributions, including the codification of Roman law, and the expansion of the Byzantine Empire and economy; and c) characterizing the role Byzantine art and architecture played in the preservation of Greek and Roman traditions.
Topic 2	The Church Divides	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history. e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.8 The student will apply social science skills to understand the Byzantine Empire and Eastern Europe from about 300 to 1000 A.D. (C.E.) by d) explaining the disputes that led to the split between the Roman Catholic Church and the Greek Orthodox Church.
Topic 4	Russians Adapt Byzantine Culture	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; and f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; WHI.8 The student will apply social science skills to understand the Byzantine Empire and Eastern Europe from about 300 to 1000 A.D. (C.E.) by e) analyzing and explaining the influence of Byzantine culture on Eastern Europe.
Module 7:	The Islamic Civilization	
Topic 1	The Origin and Beliefs of Islam	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and



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		political perspectives in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.9 The student will apply social science skills to understand the Islamic civilization from about 600 to 1000 A.D. (C.E.) by a) describing the origin, location, beliefs, traditions, customs, and spread of Islam, with emphasis on the Sunni-Shi'a division and the Battle of Tours.	
Topic 2	The Spread of Islam	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.9 The student will apply social science skills to understand the Islamic civilization from about 600 to 1000 A.D. (C.E.) by a) describing the origin, location, beliefs, traditions, customs, and spread of Islam, with emphasis on the Sunni-Shi'a division and the Battle of Tours; and b) assessing the influence of geography on Islamic economic, social, and political development, including the impact of conquest and trade.	
Topic 3	Contributions of Islamic Society	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.9 The student will apply social science skills to understand the Islamic civilization from about 600 to 1000 A.D. (C.E.) by b) assessing the influence of geography on Islamic economic, social, and political development, including the impact of conquest and trade; and c) explaining the cultural and scientific contributions and achievements of Islamic civilization.	
Module 8: Th	Module 8: The Early Middle Ages		



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Topic 1	The Franks and the Age of Charlemagne	The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.10 The student will apply social science skills to understand Western Europe during the Middle Ages from about 500 to 1000 A.D. (C.E.) in terms of its impact on Western civilization by a) locating and describing the societies of Western Europe during the Middle Ages in time and place; b) describing the social, religious, and cultural development of the Franks, with emphasis on the Age of Charlemagne; and c) explaining the social, religious, and cultural development of the Magyars and Anglo-Saxons.
Topic 2	Feudalism and the Manor System	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place; WHI.10 The student will apply social science skills to understand Western Europe during the Middle Ages from about 500 to 1000 A.D. (C.E.) in terms of its impact on Western civilization by d) describing the social, religious, and cultural patters of the Vikings; and e) evaluating and explaining the development of feudalism and the manor system.
Topic 3	The Age of Faith	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.7 The student will apply social science skills to understand the development of Christianity by c) sequencing events related to the spread and influence of Christianity and the Catholic Church throughout Europe. WHI.10 The student will apply social science skills to understand Western Europe during the Middle Ages from about 500 to 1000 A.D. (C.E.)



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	·	in terms of its impact on Western civilization by a) locating and describing the societies of Western Europe during the Middle Ages in time and place; b) describing the social, religious, and cultural development of the Franks, with emphasis on the Age of Charlemagne; and d) describing the social, religious, and cultural patters of the Vikings.
Module 9:	Empires of Africa and th	e Americas
Topic 1	The African Kingdoms	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.12 The student will apply social science skills to understand the civilizations and empires of Africa, with emphasis on the African kingdoms of Axum and Zimbabwe and the West African civilizations of Ghana, Mali, and Songhai, by a) locating early civilizations and kingdoms in time and place and describing major geographic features; and b) explaining the development of social, political, economic, religious, and cultural patterns in each region.
Topic 2	Pre-Columbian Civilizations in the Americas	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.13 The student will apply social science skills to understand the major civilizations of the Western Hemisphere, including the Mayan, Aztec, and Incan, by a) locating early civilizations in time and place and describing major geographic features; and b) explaining the development of social, political, economic, religious, and cultural patterns in the civilizations of the Americas.



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Topic 3	European Impact on African and Early American Civilizations	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; e) comparing and contracting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place; and h) using a decision-making model to analyze and explain the incentives for and consequences of a specific choice made. WHI.12 The student will apply social science skills to understand the civilizations and empires of Africa, with emphasis on the African kingdoms of Axum and Zimbabwe and the West African civilizations of Ghana, Mali, and Songhai, by c) evaluating and explaining the European interactions with these societies, with emphasis on trading and economic interdependence. WHI.13 The student will apply social science skills to understand the major civilizations of the Western Hemisphere, including the Mayan, Aztec, and Incan, by c) evaluating and explaining the European interactions with these societies, with emphasis on trading and economic interdependence.
Topic 1	The Rise, Fall, and Legacy of the Mongols	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place; and WHI.11 The student will apply social science skills to understand the civilizations and empires of Asia, with emphasis on Japan and China, by d) evaluating the impact of the Mongol Empire throughout Asia.
Topic 2	East Asia: Japan	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by



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		 a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place; and WHI.11 The student will apply social science skills to understand the civilizations and empires of Asia, with emphasis on Japan and
		China, by c) explaining the impact of Shinto and Buddhist traditions and the influence of Chinese culture on the region.
Topic 3	Trade in the Eastern Hemisphere	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place; and WHI.11 The student will apply social science skills to understand the civilizations and empires of Asia, with emphasis on Japan and China, by a) locating and explaining major global and regional trade routes; and b) explaining technological advances and transfers, networks of economic interdependence, and cultural interactions.
Module 11	: The High Middle Ages	
Topic 1	The Rise of Nation- States	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.14 The student will apply social science skills to understand the social, economic, and political changes and cultural achievements in the high and late medieval periods by



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		a) describing the emergence of centralized monarchies (England, France, Spain, and Russia) and distinctive political developments in each.
Topic 2	The Crusades	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; and f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history. WHI.14 The student will apply social science skills to understand the social, economic, and political changes and cultural achievements in the high and late medieval periods by b) explaining conflicts across Europe and Asia, including the Crusades and the fall of Constantinople.
Topic 3	The Black Death	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; and f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history. WHI.14 The student will apply social science skills to understand the social, economic, and political changes and cultural achievements in the high and late medieval periods by c) explaining patterns of crisis and recovery related to the Black Death (bubonic plague).
Topic 4	A Revival of Learning	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; WHI.14 The student will apply social science skills to understand the social, economic, and political changes and cultural achievements in the high and late medieval periods by d) evaluating and explaining the preservation and transfer to Western Europe of Greek, Roman, and Arabic philosophy, medicine, and science.



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Module 12	2: The Renaissance	
Topic 1	The Rise of Italian City- States	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.15 The student will apply social science skills to understand the developments leading to the Renaissance in Europe in terms of its impact on Western civilization by a) determining economic and cultural foundations of the Italian Renaissance; and b) sequencing events related to the rise of Italian city-states and their political development, including Machiavelli's theory of governing as described in <i>The Prince</i> .
Topic 2	The Italian Renaissance	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; and c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine characteristics of people, places, or events in world history; e) comparing and contrasting historical, cultural, economic, and political perspectives in world history; f) explaining how indirect cause-and-effect relationships impacted people, places, and events in world history; and g) analyzing multiple connections across time and place. WHI.15 The student will apply social science skills to understand the developments leading to the Renaissance in Europe in terms of its impact on Western civilization by c) citing the contributions of artists and philosophers of the Renaissance, as contrasted with the medieval period, including Leonardo da Vinci, Michelangelo, and Petrarch.
Topic 3	The Northern Renaissance	WHI.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical thinking, geographical analysis, economic decision making, and responsible citizenship by a) synthesizing evidence from artifacts and primary and secondary sources to obtain information about events in world history; b) using geographic information to determine patterns and trends to understand world history; c) interpreting charts, graphs, and pictures to determine



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	WHI.15 d) comparing and contrasting the Italian and the Northern Renaissance, and citing the contributions of writers.

