



# Social Studies

D E P A R T M E N T

## Faculty

**Angela Ruffolo, Chair**  
BS University of Dayton  
EdS University of Dayton  
24 years of experience

**Marcus Colvin**  
BS University of Dayton  
14 years of experience

**Tony Ricciuto '74**  
BS University of Dayton  
38 years of experience

**Jim Sparrow**  
BA Hiram College  
MA Case Western Reserve University  
MA University of Dayton  
34 years of experience

**Joe Staley '72**  
BA Wright State University  
EdS, MSE University of Dayton  
41 years of experience

## Department Highlights

- ✓ The social studies program offers five advanced placement and honors courses; AP courses can result in college credits.
- ✓ Students can travel as part of the program. Trips include:
  - Senior trip to Washington D.C.
  - Cultural and historical immersion experiences
- ✓ Many cultural opportunities are opened up through courses offered in the social studies department. Through programs and courses offered by this department, students can:
  - attend Junior Council of World Affairs (JCOWA) youth forums, exchange programs and immersion trips,
  - participate in the Holocaust Remembrance program,
  - work in teams in Economics classes to plan, publicize and raise money for charities through the CJ Challenge Project,
  - volunteer at “Youth at the Booth” sites and with public servants through government class,
  - improve their public speaking and research skills by being a member of the Mock Trial team, and
  - travel to the State House in Columbus to debate important issues on the House Floor for AP US Government.

## Courses

Advanced Placement  
American Studies  
Advanced Placement  
European History  
Advanced Placement  
U.S. Government  
Advanced Placement  
Psychology  
Honors World Cultures  
College Preparatory  
World Cultures

World History  
College Preparatory American Studies  
College Preparatory Economics  
College Preparatory Psychology  
College Preparatory Sociology  
College Preparatory Government  
College Preparatory  
The American Presidency  
College Preparatory  
Post World War II America