

COMMITTEE ON DEGREES IN SOCIAL STUDIES

Junior Application for Admission , Fall 2009

Due Wednesday, September 2nd, by 2 p.m.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT NEATLY. THANKS!

NAME _____

CLASS _____

COLLEGE ADDRESS _____
(include mailbox #)

PHONE _____

EMAIL: _____

Harvard ID _____

HIGH SCHOOL (include city) _____

COURSES TAKEN: PLEASE LIST COURSE NUMBER (E.G., HISTORY 10a), COURSE TITLE, GRADE, AND INSTRUCTOR'S NAME

2007-08

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1. Which course(s) interested you most and why?

2. What are your extracurricular interests?

3. If you are not admitted to Social Studies, which other concentration will you choose to enter?

4. Create a possible focus field for yourself in Social Studies, following the guidelines provided in the concentration handbook. Give your focus field a title (along the lines of the sample focus fields listed in the handbook) and create a plan of study. Include at least four courses, drawn from at least two departments (in the social sciences, history, or continental philosophy), and include at least one course on an historical topic. In 2-3 paragraphs (no longer than 1 page, typed, double spaced), explain why this focus field interests you and why you would want to follow this plan in Social Studies as opposed to another department. Attach your plan of study to your application.

5. Enclose a paper no longer than 5-10 pages, double spaced, examining a topic in the social sciences, history, or philosophy. Ideally, this paper will be one that you wrote for a Harvard social science, history, or philosophy course or for an expository writing course on a topic in the social sciences, history, or philosophy. If you have not written an appropriate paper of this length at Harvard, you can use one that you wrote in high school. Please attach, on a separate piece of paper at the beginning of the paper, the question that you are answering. If you are using a paper that you have already turned in for course credit, it is fine to edit it first.

6. Please attach a current transcript to your application which includes Harvard's calculation of your GPA. You should be able to find you transcript on your advising portal (www.harvard.edu/~advising)