

Social Science

Social Science Major

A special interdisciplinary Social Science major is available. It includes courses from disciplines such as history, economics, political science, geography, psychology, sociology, or anthropology. Students can obtain the appropriate curriculum guides from the School of Education (<https://www.ndsu.edu/education>), Office of Registration and Records (<https://www.ndsu.edu/registrar>), or the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Dean's Office (<https://www.ndsu.edu/ahss>).

Before taking advanced course work required for the Social Science major, the student should complete at least one year in each of the required disciplines. In addition, students should complete course work in economics and world history.

Students who wish to prepare for high school teaching should make this intention known to the School of Education before entering their junior year to ensure that state teacher certification requirements are met.

Major Requirements

Major: Social Science

Degree Type: B.A. or B.S.

Required Degree Credits to Graduate: 122

General Education Requirements for Baccalaureate Degree

- A list of approved general education courses is available here (<http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2017-18/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/general-education/#genedcoursestext>).
- General education courses may be used to satisfy requirements for both general education and the major, minor, and program emphases, where applicable. Students should carefully review the major, minor, and program emphases requirements for minimum grade restrictions, should they apply.

Code	Title	Credits
Communication (C)		12
ENGL 110	College Composition I	
ENGL 120	College Composition II	
COMM 110	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	
Upper Division Writing [†]		
Quantitative Reasoning (R) [†]		3
Science and Technology (S) [†]		10
Humanities and Fine Arts (A) [†]		6
Social and Behavioral Sciences (B) [†]		6
Wellness (W) [†]		2
Cultural Diversity (D) ^{**†}		
Global Perspectives (G) ^{**†}		
Total Credits		39

* May be satisfied by completing courses in another General Education category.

† May be satisfied with courses required in the major. Review major requirements to determine if a specific upper division writing course is required.

Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

Degree Requirements

Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Degree – The completion of a minor program of study, a second major, or a second degree is required.

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Degree – Second year language proficiency at college level required.

Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences College Requirements

An additional 9 credits are required by the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences for all Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degree programs of study, except the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, the Bachelor of Music degree, Bachelor of Landscape Architecture degree, and the Bachelor of Science in Architecture degree:

Code	Title	Credits
AH&SS College Requirements		
Courses used to satisfy any general education requirement cannot be used to also count toward the AH&SS College Requirements. A minimum of three credits is required in each of the 3 following areas for a total of 9 credits. Choose only those courses with the prefixes listed for each area. A course with the WGS prefix can only be used in one area.		
Area One: Humanities		3
ARB, ENGL, FREN, GERM, HIST, HUM, PHIL, RELS, SPAN, or WGS		
Area Two: Social Sciences		3
ANTH, CJ, COMM, EMGT, POLS, SOC, or WGS		
Area Three: Fine Arts		3
ARCH, ART, ENVD, LA, MUSC, or THEA		
Total Credits		9

Major Requirements

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Social Science Major Requirements		
History	US HIST at 400 level	6
Psychology	PSYC at 300-400 Level	6
Sociology	SOC at 300-400 Level	6
Political Science: Select 2 from the following:		6
POLS 420	Political Behavior-Executive-Legislative Process	
POLS 421	Political Behavior-Political Parties	
POLS 422	State and Local Politics	
Economics:		
ECON 201 or ECON 202	Principles of Microeconomics (May satisfy a general education category B and G) Principles of Macroeconomics	3
Geography:		6
Social Science	Elective	0-2
Senior Capstone Experience		1-3
The Senior Capstone experience must be completed in one of the following departments: HISTORY, ECONOMICS, POLITICAL SCIENCE, PSYCHOLOGY OR SOCIOLOGY / ANTHROPOLOGY. A capstone course completed for a second major in History, Political Science, Psychology or Sociology / Anthropology can be used to satisfy the Social Science major capstone requirement.		
Total Credits		34-38