

# Social Science Education

---

## Department Information

- **Department Location:**  
Katherine Kilbourne Burgum Family Life, 4-H Center
- **Department Phone:**  
701-231-7921
- **Department Web Site:**  
[www.ndsu.edu/education/](http://www.ndsu.edu/education/) (<http://www.ndsu.edu/education/>)
- **Credential Offered:**  
B.S.; B.A.
- **Plan Of Study Sample:**  
[catalog.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/social-science-education/#planofstudytext](http://catalog.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/social-science-education/#planofstudytext) (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/social-science-education/#planofstudytext>)

## Major Requirements

### Major: Social Science Education

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

**Minimum Degree Credits to Graduate:** 120

### University Degree Requirements

1. Satisfactory completion of all requirements of the curriculum in which one is enrolled.
2. Earn a minimum total of 120 credits in approved coursework. Some academic programs exceed this minimum.
3. Satisfactory completion of the general education requirements as specified by the university.
4. A minimum institutional GPA of 2.00 based on work taken at NDSU.
5. At least 36 credits presented for graduation must be in courses numbered 300 or higher.
6. Transfer Students: Must earn a minimum of 60 credits from a baccalaureate-degree granting or professional institution.
  - a. Of these 60, at least 36 must be NDSU resident credits as defined in #7.
  - b. Within the 36 resident credits, a minimum of 15 must be in courses numbered 300 or higher and 15 credits in the major field of study.
7. At least 36 credits must be NDSU resident credits. Resident credits include credits registered and paid for at NDSU.

For complete information, please refer to the Degree and Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2021-22/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/degree-and-graduation/>) section of this Bulletin.

### University General Education Requirements

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

- \* May be satisfied by completing courses in another General Education category.
- † 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 major requirements to determine if specific courses can also satisfy these general education categories.
- A list of university approved general education courses and administrative policies are available here (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2021-22/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/general-education/#genedcoursestext>).

## Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Teaching Specialty Requirements</b>		
HIST 101	Western Civilization I (May satisfy general education category A)	3
HIST 102	Western Civilization II (May satisfy general education category A)	3
HIST 103	U.S. to 1877	3
HIST 104	U.S. Since 1877	3
HIST 390	Historical Research and Writing (May satisfy general education category C)	3
HIST: Non-US History (300-400 level)		6
HIST: US History (300-400 level)		6
<b>Select two of the following areas (A-C):</b>		<b>24</b>
A. Political Science (12 cr):		
POLS 115	American Government	
Select 3 from the following:		
POLS 215	Problems and Policies In American Government	
POLS 230	Judicial Process	
POLS 420	Political Behavior-Executive-Legislative Process	
POLS 421	Political Behavior-Political Parties	
POLS 422	State and Local Politics	
POLS 430	Constitutional Law-Civil Liberties	
POLS 431	Constitutional Law-Criminal Justice	
B. Geography (12 cr):		
GEOG 262	Geography of North America	
GEOL 106	The Earth Through Time	
GEOG	Geography Electives (6 cr)	
C. Economics (12 cr):		
ECON 201	Principles of Microeconomics	
ECON 202	Principles of Macroeconomics	
ECON:Electives (6 cr)		
<b>US HIST (6 credits)* Select from:</b>		<b>6</b>
HIST 328	War and Society in America	
HIST 415	Public Memory and Memorialization in America	
HIST 420	Colonial American History	
HIST 421	Revolutionary America	
HIST 422	American Civil War and Reconstruction	
HIST 423	The Gilded Age and Progressive America	
HIST 424	U.S. History 1917-1960	
HIST 425	U.S. History 1917-Present II	
HIST 426	Women in American History	
HIST 431	The North American Plains	
HIST 434	Environmental History	
HIST 436	American Frontier to 1850	
HIST 437	American West Since 1850	
RELS 340	New Religious Movements	
RELS 345	Religion and Politics	

**European HIST\* (6 credits) select from: 6**

HIST 320	History of Christianity
HIST 450	Ancient History
HIST 451	Medieval History
HIST 454	Renaissance And Reformation
HIST 455	The Eighteenth Century
HIST 456	Europe 1815-1914
HIST 457	Europe Since 1914
HIST 464	Imperial Spain
HIST 465	Germany since 1750
HIST 467	History Of Russia II

**Widening Horizons\* (6 credits) Select from: 6**

HIST 381	Australia & New Zealand
HIST 440	The Ottoman Empire
HIST 470	Modern Latin America I
HIST 471	Modern Latin America II
HIST 473	Colonial Mexico
HIST 474	Modern Mexico
HIST 475	The Aztec, Maya, and Inca
HIST 477	Slavery in the Atlantic World
HIST 480	History of Modern China from 1600
HIST 481	History of Japan
HIST 482	Vietnam: 125 Years of Conflict
HIST 484	Cultures and Civilizations of the Pre-modern World
HIST 485	Cultural Exchange and the Making of the Modern World
HIST 486	Plague! Tragedies and Triumphs of Globalization

**Diversity and Inclusion in HIST\* (3 credits) select from: 3**

HIST 135	Race in U.S. History
HIST 271	Introduction to Latin American History
HIST 280	History of East Asia to 1600
HIST 281	History of East Asia from 1600
HIST 320	History of Christianity
HIST 355	History of Global Islam
HIST 415	Public Memory and Memorialization in America
HIST 426	Women in American History
HIST 440	The Ottoman Empire
HIST 473	Colonial Mexico
HIST 475	The Aztec, Maya, and Inca
HIST 477	Slavery in the Atlantic World
HIST 480	History of Modern China from 1600
HIST 481	History of Japan
HIST 482	Vietnam: 125 Years of Conflict
HIST 484	Cultures and Civilizations of the Pre-modern World
HIST 485	Cultural Exchange and the Making of the Modern World
HIST 486	Plague! Tragedies and Triumphs of Globalization

**Professional Education Requirements**

EDUC 321	Introduction to Teaching	3
EDUC 322	Educational Psychology	3
EDUC 451	Instructional Planning, Methods and Assessment	3
EDUC 481	Classroom Practice Methods of Teaching I: (Soc Sci)	3
EDUC 485	Student Teaching Seminar	1
EDUC 486	Classroom Management for Diverse Learners	3

EDUC 487	Student Teaching	9
EDUC 488	Applied Student Teaching	3
EDUC 489	Teaching Students of Diverse Backgrounds	3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>103</b>

\* None of these courses can be double counted with another HIST requirement

### **Degree Requirements and Notes**

- A GPA of 2.75 or better in the teaching specialty is required for placement in student teaching and exit from the program.
- A grade of 'C' or better is required in all Professional Education Requirement courses.
- A GPA of 2.75 or better in professional education as well as passing the appropriate Praxis II exam are required to exit the program.
- Course taken *Pass/Fail* will not be used to satisfy any requirements other than total credits.
- See School of Education (<https://www.ndsu.edu/education/>) for admission requirements.