

# Social Science

IN THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS

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## Offered by Social Science

Major in social science with the B.A. degree in liberal arts and sciences.

Teaching major in social science in preparation for the single subject teaching credential.

Emphasis in integrated teacher education program (ITEP-SS).

## The Major

Social science is a multidisciplinary program, encompassing courses in 12 departments—Africana Studies, American Indian Studies, Anthropology, Chicana and Chicano Studies, Economics, Geography, History, Political Science, Psychology, Religious Studies, Sociology, and Women's Studies. Social science research attempts to understand how society works through behavioral or social explanations. Social science students learn to analyze and critically examine cultural, economic, political, and social phenomena by studying human behavior and social processes.

The major provides students with a broad understanding of social science and an appreciation of the interrelatedness of its disciplines. The general social science major is not vocational training, and thus there is no specific career path. This program is appropriate for students who desire a liberal arts education and seek to develop analytical, critical thinking, and writing skills that can be applied to a wide range of occupations and professions. Because of the flexibility of the major, students can take courses that are relevant to their career interests.

The social science major in preparation for the single subject teaching credential is designed for students who want to pursue a career teaching economics, geography, government, or history in middle and high schools. Students take core courses in each of the four areas to provide a breadth of knowledge, as well as electives to build depth. The major also includes the required early field experience necessary to enter SDSU's teaching credential program. Students who choose this major will acquire the content knowledge necessary to successfully complete a teaching credential program and then be able to teach in California middle and high schools.

## Impacted Programs

The social science major, emphases, and social science major in preparation for the single subject teaching credential are impacted programs. Students must enter the university under the designated major code for selected programs. To be admitted to the selected program, refer to the program description for specific impacted criteria.

## Advising

All College of Arts and Letters majors are urged to consult with their department adviser as soon as possible; they are required to meet with their department adviser in order to declare or change the major.

## Major Academic Plans (MAPs)

Visit <http://www.sdsu.edu/mymap> for the recommended courses needed to fulfill your major requirements. The MAPs website was created to help students navigate the course requirements for their majors and to identify which General Education course will also fulfill a major preparation course requirement.

## Social Science Major

With the B.A. Degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences

(Major Code: 22011) (SIMS Code: 116701)

All candidates for a degree in liberal arts and sciences must complete the graduation requirements listed in the section of this catalog on "Graduation Requirements."

A minor is not required with this major.

**Impacted Program.** The social science major is an impacted program. To be admitted to the social science major, students must meet the following criteria:

- Complete preparation for the major;
- Complete a minimum of 60 transferable semester units;
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0.

To complete the major, students must fulfill the degree requirements for the major described in the catalog in effect at the time they are accepted into the premajor at SDSU (assuming continuous enrollment).

**Preparation for the Major.** Three units of statistics selected from Economics 201, Linguistics 270, Political Science 201, Psychology 280, Sociology 201, or Statistics 119 or 250. A six-unit sequence in each of three of the following departments selected from: (1) Anthropology 101, 102; (2) Chicana and Chicano Studies 120A-120B; (3) Economics 101, 102; (4) Geography 101, 102; (5) History 105, 106; 109, 110; (6) Political Science 101, 102, 103; (7) Sociology 101, 102. Statistics courses taken in a social science department may not be used in fulfillment of that department's six-unit sequence. (21-22 units)

**Language Requirement.** Competency (successfully completing the third college semester or fifth college quarter) is required in one foreign language to fulfill the graduation requirement. Refer to section of catalog on "Graduation Requirements." Spanish is recommended for those planning to work in this part of the United States.

**Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement.** Passing the Writing Placement Assessment with a score of 10 or completing one of the approved upper division writing courses (W) with a grade of C (2.0) or better. See "Graduation Requirements" section for a complete listing of requirements.

**Major.** A minimum of 33 upper division units to include a 15-unit specialization in one department and the remaining 18 units from among three additional departments. Students may specialize in anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science, sociology, or, under certain conditions listed below, Chicana and Chicano studies. The remaining 18 units must be taken from three separate departments other than the department of specialization. Students who specialize in anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science or sociology may take a maximum of six units in Africana studies or American Indian studies or Chicana and Chicano studies or psychology or religious studies or women's studies from courses listed below.

Students specializing in Chicana and Chicano studies must select courses from Chicana and Chicano Studies 301, 303, 320, 350A-350B, 480 and take the remaining 18 upper division units in anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science, or sociology.

Only students with a specialization in anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science or sociology may take a maximum of six units in the major from Africana studies or American Indian studies or Chicana and Chicano studies or psychology or religious studies or women's studies. These six units can only be selected from the following courses (additional prerequisites may apply):

- Africana Studies 321, 322, 421, 422, 471.
- American Indian Studies 320, 331 [or Political Science 331], 440, 451 [or Anthropology 451], 480.
- Chicana and Chicano Studies 301, 303, 320, 350A-350B, 480.
- Psychology 320, 321, 340, 350, 351, 355, 452.
- Religious Studies 301, 305, 328, 339, 345, 353, 363.
- Women's Studies 310, 325, 340, 341A-341B, 375, 382, 530, 535, 536, 572.

## Social Science Major

In preparation for the Single Subject Teaching Credential with the B.A. Degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences

(Major Code: 22011) (SIMS Code: 116703)

All candidates for a teaching credential must take and pass the CSET and complete all requirements as outlined in this section of the catalog under Dual Language and English Learner Education or Teacher Education.

This major may be used by students in dual language and English learner education or teacher education or as undergraduate for the B.A. degree in liberal arts and sciences.

**Impacted Program.** The social science major in preparation for the single subject teaching credential is designated as an impacted program. To be admitted to the major, students must meet the following criteria:

- Complete with a grade of C (2.0) or better: Economics 101, 102; Geography 102; History 100, 101, 109, 110; Political Science 102; Religious Studies 101. These courses cannot be taken for credit/no credit (Cr/NC);
- Complete a minimum of 60 transferable semester units;
- Have a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or better.

To complete the major, students must fulfill the degree requirements for the major described in the catalog in effect at the time they are accepted into the premajor at SDSU (assuming continuous enrollment).

**Preparation for the Major.** Economics 101, 102; Geography 102; History 100, 101, 109, 110; Political Science 102, Religious Studies 101. (27 units)

These prerequisite courses may not be taken Cr/NC. The minimum grade in each class is C (2.0) or better.

**Language Requirement.** Competency (successfully completing the third college semester or fifth college quarter) is required in one foreign language to fulfill the graduation requirement. Refer to section of catalog on "Graduation Requirements." Spanish is recommended for those planning to work in this part of the United States.

**Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement.** Passing the Writing Placement Assessment with a score of 10 or completing one of the approved upper division writing courses (W) with a grade of C (2.0) or better. See "Graduation Requirements" section for a complete listing of requirements.

**Major.** A minimum of 42 upper division units to include: Teacher Education 362\* (must be taken upon entering the major).

**United States and California History:** History 410, 445, and three units selected from any 500-level United States history course.

**American Government and Politics:** Three units selected from Political Science 305, 320, 321, 334 [or Sustainability 334], 347A, 347B, 348, 422, 436.

**United States Geography:** Geography 321.

**Ethnic and Women's Studies:** Six units from two departments selected from African Studies 321, 322, 421, 422, 471, American Indian Studies 320, 331 [or Political Science 331], 440, 451, 480, Chicana and Chicano Studies 301, 350B, 375, History 422 [or Asian Studies 422], Women's Studies 310, 331, 341B, 375, 382, 535.

**World History:** Twelve units distributed as follows: Three units selected from any 500-level history course in an area other than U.S. history. History 412 and six additional units selected from two of the following areas (500-level history courses selected from any of the two required areas below cannot be used to satisfy both the area requirement and the above three unit requirement):

**Asia:** History 420, 421 [or Asian Studies 421], 566, 567, 570.

**Europe:** History 407, 408, 418, 436, 440, 486, 488, 502, 503, 504 [or Humanities 504], 505, 506 [or Humanities 506], 508, 509; Women's Studies 340.

**Latin America:** Chicana and Chicano Studies 350A; History 415 [or Latin American Studies 415], 416, 550, 551, 558, 580.

**Middle East:** History 473, 474, 574.

**International Politics:** Three units selected from International Security and Conflict Resolution 300; Political Science 356, 359, 362, 363, 364, 366 [or Latin American Studies 366], 375, 380, 479.

**Economics:** Three units selected from Economics 330, 338, 349, 382, 456, 490.

\*Contact adviser for specified section.

## Emphasis in Integrated Teacher Education Program (ITEP-SS)

(SIMS Code: 116704)

This emphasis is designed to combine the degree and credential into a four-year Integrated Teacher Education Program. The program is designed to qualify the student for a social science degree and a preliminary single subject teaching credential in social science. A minor is not required with this major.

**Impacted Program.** The social science major in preparation for the emphasis in integrated teacher education program (ITEP-SS) is designated as an impacted program. To be admitted to the major, students must meet the following criteria:

- Complete with a grade of C (2.0) or better: Economics 101, 102; Geography 102; History 100, 101, 109, 110; Political Science 102; Teacher Education 170 [or Child and Family Development 170], 211A or 211B, 280. These courses cannot be taken for credit/no credit (Cr/NC);
- Complete a minimum of 60 transferable semester units;
- Have a cumulative GPA of 2.67 or better.

To complete the major, students must fulfill the degree requirements for the major described in the catalog in effect at the time they are accepted into the premajor at SDSU (assuming continuous enrollment).

**Preparation for the major.** Economics 101, 102; Geography 102; History 100, 101, 109, 110; Political Science 102; Teacher Education 170 [or Child and Family Development 170], 211A or 211B, 280. (29 units)

These prerequisite courses may not be taken Cr/NC. The minimum grade in each class is C (2.0) or better.

**Language Requirement.** Competency (successfully completing the third college semester or fifth college quarter) is required in one foreign language to fulfill the graduation requirement. Refer to section of catalog on "Graduation Requirements." Spanish is recommended for those planning to work in this part of the United States.

**Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement.** Students must have fulfilled the Writing Placement Assessment with a score of 8 or above before taking Teacher Education 405W\* and earn a grade of C (2.0) or better. See "Graduation Requirements" section for a complete listing of requirements.

**Major.** A minimum of 36 upper division units to include:

- History 410 (3 units).
- History 412 (3 units).
- History 445 (3 units).
- United States History: Any 500-level U.S. history course (3 units).
- American Government and Politics. Three units selected from Political Science 305, 320, 321, 334 [or Sustainability 334], 347A, 347B, 348, 422, 436.
- Geography 321 (3 units).
- World History. Three units selected from: History 407, 408, 415 [or Latin American Studies 415], 416, 418, 420, 421 [or Asian Studies 421], 440, 473, 474, 486, 502, 503, 504 [or Humanities 504], 505, 506 [or Humanities 506], 508, 550, 551.
- Any 500-level world history course (3 units).
- Global Perspectives. Three units selected from Chicana and Chicano Studies 340A; History 488, 509, 553 [or Latin American Studies 553], 558, 566, 567, 570, 574, 580; International Security and Conflict Resolutions 300; Political Science 356, 359, 362, 363, 364, 366 [or Latin American Studies 366], 375, 380; Women's Studies 310, 331, 340.
- Perspectives on American History. Three units selected from African Studies 422, 471; American Indian Studies 440, 480; Chicana and Chicano Studies 340B, 350A, 350B, 375; History 422 [or Asian Studies 422], 425 [or Asian Studies 425], 533, 534, 535, 536, 548 [or Chicana and Chicano Studies 548]; Women's Studies 341A, 341B.
- Economics. Three units selected from Economics 330, 338, 349, 382, 456, 490.
- Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement: Teacher Education 405W\*.

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**Additional Requirements for Subject Matter Preparation Certification.** Certification of subject matter competency offered by social science requires completion of all preparation for the major and major courses with at most one course with a C- or lower among courses listed under preparation for the major, and at most one course with a C- or lower among courses listed under the major. If a course is repeated, the highest grade will count. Certification must be achieved before student teaching.

**ITEP Admission Requirements.** Students apply for admission to the Integrated Teacher Education Program during the spring of their sophomore year. Students who qualify for admission to the Integrated Teacher Education Program in social science the summer prior to their junior year must have a GPA of 2.67 or better, passing scores on the CBEST, a documented field experience, and complete program application.

**Credential Requirements (32 units).** Education 484, 970 (1 unit); Special Education 450; Teacher Education 303 (3 units), 903 (1 unit), 914C, 924C (3 units), 933, 954 (3 units), 963 (9 units).

\*Required of all single subject ITEP majors regardless of Writing Proficiency Assessment score.

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