

Social Science & Composite Social Science Teaching

Bachelor of Science (B.S.) | Bachelor of Science in Education (B.S. Ed.)



Investigate the Social Sciences

Are you interested in the Social Sciences, such as History, Political Science, and Geography? Do you plan to teach the Social Science subjects in middle school or high school? To open as many doors as possible, the Social Science or the Composite Social Science Teaching program may be for you.

Prepare For Your Future

Many of the Social Science disciplines are interconnected, such as History and Political Science. You will explore the mutual relationships, while learning about what makes each discipline unique. If you are unsure which area of Social Sciences to major in, this program will encompass all. With classes in History, Political Science, Geography, Sociology, and Economics, a Social Science degree will give you a broad knowledge base which can lead to graduate work in a specific area, or to a gratifying career in any number of possible occupations. Education majors will find the options in the Social Science Teaching degree to be the right choice for the variety of subjects taught in the region's small and rural schools.

Learn From The Best

This program will introduce you to a variety of faculty from across the various disciplines. Faculty members are regionally and nationally recognized for teaching and research excellence. The small class atmosphere will provide you the opportunity to form a mentor relationship with them, drawing you more closely into the subject as you learn about past events, state and world politics, social problems, and social science research methods.

Enjoy The Experience

Each of the areas in the Social Sciences has an active organization and many possibilities for student involvement. You will enhance your academic experience by joining:

- The BHSU Political Science Association participate in political discussions and debates that promote the application of current political ideologies and to explore current political events.
- The BHSU Student History Association takes field trips to historical sites, and promotes history in general.

A variety of internships are available to Social Science majors. Internships can be arranged in area museums, with political organizations, such as the state legislature, and with businesses and social service agencies.

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- Government
- Public Agencies
- Business
- Education
- Law School
- Graduate School
- Museums
- Non-profit Organizations

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Social Science



Major in Social Science

ECON 201 Principles of Microeconomics
ECON 202 Principles of Macroeconomics
ECON Elective
GEOG 101 Introduction to Geography
POLS 100 American Government
POLS 210 State and Local Government
POLS 250 World Politics
SOC 100 Introduction to Sociology
SOC 150 Social Problems
SOC Elective
SS 350 Introduction to Research Methods
Elective in ECON, GEOG, POLS, OR SOC

A *minor* is required with this major plus electives to total 120 hours, of which 36 hours must be 300-400 level courses.

Composite Social Science - Teaching

GEOG 210 World Regional Geography **
GEOG 300/400 Elective
HIST 115 Survey of Non-Western Civilizations
HIST 121 Western Civilization I **
HIST 151 United States History I **
HIST 152 United States History II
HIST 327 European History 1500/1815
HIST 328 European History since 1815
HIST 476 History of South Dakota
POLS 100 American Government **
POLS 141 Governments of the World **
POLS 210 State and Local Government
SEED 415 7-12 Social Science Methods
SOC 100 Introduction to Sociology
ECON 201 Principles of Microeconomics **
OR ECON 202 Principles of Macroeconomics **
HIST 480 Historical Methods and Historiography
OR SS 350 Introduction to Research Methods

Pre-Professional Teaching Core

EDFN 338 Foundations of American Education
EDFN 295 Practicum: Pre-Admission Teaching
EPSY 302 Educational Psychology
ESPY 428 Child & Adolescent Development
INED 411 South Dakota Indian Studies
PSYC 101 General Psychology **
SPED 405 Educating Secondary Students with Disabilities
OR SPED 300 Students with Exceptionalities

Professional Secondary Ed Teaching Core

EDFN 365 Computer-Based Technology & Learning
MLED 480 Middle Level Methods
SEED 408 Plan, Manage & Assess the 7-12 Diverse Classroom
SEED 450 7-12 Reading and Content Literacy
SEED 488 7-12 Student Teaching
EDFN 475 Human Relations
SEED 495 Practicum: Pre-Student Teaching

General Education Requirements

Gen Ed - Mathematics *3 semester hours*
Gen Ed - Social Science *satisfied by major*
Gen Ed - Arts & Humanities *9-12 semester hours*
Gen Ed - Natural Science AND Lab *6-8 semester hours*
ENGL 101 - Composition I
ENGL 201 - Composition II
SPCM 101, OR SPCM 215, OR SPCM 222 *Speech*
WEL 100 - Wellness for Life AND WEL 100L Lab

**Completes one general education requirement.