

History/Social Sciences

Majors in Criminal Justice, History, Geography, Political Science, and Sociology often pursue further studies at the graduate level in their respective disciplines. Traditionally, these studies lead to careers in teaching and research. In addition, because of their training in reading, writing, and critical thinking, history and social science graduates often pursue legal careers.

The student majoring in the department of History/Social Sciences may elect one of four Degrees: History, Geography, Political Science, or Sociology/Social Work. The student majoring in any of these areas must complete a core curriculum and elect a concentration in one of four options listed above. Required courses specified in those tracks are designed to provide a broad general knowledge in that field. Additional course work in political science or sociology may be selected for greater specialization. The Political Science major must choose a minimum of 15 hours from courses numbered 300 and above. Those courses will be chosen from the primary and suggested courses in the respective concentration. The student should be aware that the Department of History/Social Sciences may retain all work written or created as a course requirement.

History/Social Science Core Curriculum:

- History 105-106,
- American history (3 hours),
- Psychology 216,
- Sociology 285,
- Philosophy (3 hours),
- At least an additional 12 hours of social sciences outside the area of concentration.
- Economics (3 hours),
- Political Science: Primary courses - 101, 151.
- A minimum of 9 hours from American Politics - 190, 201, 211, 256, 306, 307, 315, 316, 317, 399, 411, 427, 434; and a minimum of 9 hours from International Politics and Theory - 203, 204, 403, 424, 425, 427, 442, 460.
- Suggested additional courses - 190, 211, 256, 316, 317, 411, 427.
- Sociology: Primary courses - 105, 142, 465. Suggested additional courses are 250, 255, 256, 301, 302, 317, 375, 420, 460, 495, 499.

Sociology

The student majoring in Sociology must complete a minimum of 30 hours in sociology, and must choose a minimum of 12 hours in sociology from courses numbered 300 and above, excluding Sociology 495. The sociology major interested in pursuing a career in Social Welfare should contact the sociology adviser for information.

SOCIOLOGY (Social Work)			
Total Hours: 129			
<u>FRESHMAN YEAR</u>	<u>Sem. Hrs.</u>	<u>SOPHOMORE YEAR</u>	<u>Sem. Hrs.</u>
English 105, 115	6	English (200-level literature)	6
History 105, 106	6	History (American)	3
Foreign Language ¹	9	Mathematics above 121	3
Mathematics 121	3	Psychology 152, 212, 216	9
Communications 135	3	Sociology	3
Sociology 105 or 107, 142	6	Sciences (two-term sequence and lab)	7
	33	Science (nonsequential)	3
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<u>JUNIOR YEAR</u>	<u>Sem. Hrs.</u>	<u>SENIOR YEAR</u>	<u>Sem. Hrs.</u>
Sociology 285	3	Humanities (Drama, Fine Arts, or Music) ³	6
Sociology	9	Philosophy	3
Social Sciences	9	Sociology	6
Approved Electives (200 and above) ²	2	Sociology 465	3
	30	Social Sciences	3
		Approved Electives ²	<u>11</u>
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¹The student shall complete 9 hours in one foreign language.

²The student is encouraged to select at least 9 hours from among courses in computer science, mathematics (above 121), and statistics.

³See "General Degree Requirements" *LSU in Shreveport Catalog* for restrictions.

Sociology Minor: The student choosing to minor in Sociology (social work) must earn 21 hours in sociology consisting of 3 hours of SOCL 142, 3 hours of either SOCL 105 or 107, 6 hours of SOCL electives, and 9 hours of SOCL electives 300+.