

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.

Geography

The student majoring in Geography must complete a minimum of 30 hours in geography, including a minimum of 12 hours in geography from courses numbered 300 and above.

GEOGRAPHY			
Total Hours: 129			
<u>FRESHMAN YEAR</u>	<u>Sem. Hrs.</u>	<u>SOPHOMORE YEAR</u>	<u>Sem. Hrs.</u>
English 105, 115	6	Anthropology 205, 210	6
Foreign Languages ¹	9	Communications 135	3
Geography 105, 106	6	English (200-level literature)	6
History 105, 106	6	Geography 251, 252, 257	9
Mathematics 121	3	Science (two-term sequence and lab)	7
Science (nonsequential)	<u>3</u>	Mathematics above 121	<u>3</u>
	33		34
<u>JUNIOR YEAR</u>	<u>Sem. Hrs.</u>	<u>SENIOR YEAR</u>	<u>Sem. Hrs.</u>
Economics	3	Geography	6
Geography	9	Approved Humanities electives (Drama, Fine Arts, or Music) ²	6
Approved electives	15	Social Sciences	6
American History	3	Approved electives	<u>16</u>
Philosophy	<u>3</u>		29
	33		

¹The student shall complete 9 hours in one foreign language.

²See "General Education Course Requirements" under **DEGREE REQUIREMENTS** for restrictions.

Geography Minor: The student choosing to minor in geography must earn 21 hours consisting of 6 hours in GEOG 105 and 106, 6 hours of GEOG electives, and 9 hours of GEOG electives 300+.

Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Minor: The student choosing to minor in Geographic Information Systems must earn 21 hours consisting of 9 hours of GEOG 257, GEOG 357, and GEOG 420, and 12 hours selected with the aid of the department chair, including 3 hours numbered 300 or above.