

SOCIAL SCIENCE (BA)

NOTE: Social Science is typically pursued as a double-major with Secondary Education in order to prepare graduates for a career in secondary school teaching. However, a student may choose Social Science as an interdisciplinary major that does not entail teaching certification after graduation.

The Social Science major will consist of a minimum of 56 hours from history and the social sciences. Students majoring in Social Science must take a minimum of 40% of the coursework required for the major at Benedictine College.

Program Mission

The mission of the Social Science Program is to prepare students to pursue a career in secondary school teaching by providing them with a broad-based program meeting the requirements for certification to teach all or most of the usual social sciences offered in secondary schools. A student who opts to complete the Social Science degree without double majoring in Secondary Education will receive a comprehensive education in history and the social sciences but will **not** be prepared to meet the certification requirements necessary for a teaching career in most secondary schools.

Program Outcomes

1. Graduates will have knowledge of Western history focused on North America and Western Europe.
2. Graduates will have knowledge of non-Western history focused on areas outside of North America and Western Europe or peoples outside of the dominant civilization of either in order to more easily live and work in a multicultural world.
3. In addition to the above-listed history competencies, graduates will have knowledge of the content of government, economics, geography, and social systems.
4. Graduates will understand the implications of living and working in a diverse society.

Social Science B.A. Requirements

Note that this option does not lead to teaching certification.

Code	Title	Hours
World History (15 hours)		
HIST-1100	World Civilization to 1500	3
HIST-1101	World Civilization Since 1500	3
Select three from the following upper-division history courses		
HIST-3140	Medieval Travelers	
HIST-3141	The Crusades	
HIST-3280	Modern Asian Survey	
HIST-3400	History of Latin America	
HIST-3520	Ancient Greece	
HIST-3521	Ancient Rome	
HIST-3522	Greek & Roman History	
HIST-3540	Medieval History	
HIST-3541	Byzantine History	
HIST-3542	The Renaissance	
HIST-3543	Medieval England	

HIST-3544	Medieval Lay Religion	
HIST-3660	The Reformation Era	
HIST-3661	Early Modern Europe	
HIST-3680	French Revolution & Napoleon	
HIST-3681	Nineteenth-Century Europe	
HIST-3682	Europe Since 1945	
HIST-3684	Russian History	
HIST-3685	World War I	
HIST-3686	World War II	
HIST-3687	The Holocaust	
HIST-3720	Ancient Egypt	

American History (12 hours)

HIST-1300	United States History to 1865	3
HIST-1380	United States History Since 1865	3
Select two of the following upper-division American history courses:		
HIST-3100	United States Diplomatic History	
HIST-3301	United States Military History	
HIST-3302	Native America 1492-1864	
HIST-3360	Selected Themes in Early American History	
HIST-3380	Early American Republic 1789-1828	
HIST-3381	United States Civil War 1828-1865	
HIST-3382	Reconstruction & Reform 1865-1919	
HIST-3383	Prosperity & Depression 1919-1941	
HIST-3384	United States Since 1945	
HIST-3385	History of American Film	

Kansas History (3 hours)

HIST-3300	History of Kansas	3
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Politics and Government (9 hours)

POLS-1100	Fundamentals of Politics	3
POLS-1800	Principles of American Government	3
Select one of the following Politics and Government courses:		
POLS-3250	The American Presidency	
POLS-3500	The American Congress	
POLS-3750	American Constitutional Development	
POLS-3760	Fundamental Freedoms: First Amendment	
POLS-3765	Civil Rights: 14th Amendment	

Sociology (6 hours)

SOCI-1000	Introduction to Sociology	3
SOCI-3250	Race & Ethnicity	3

Economics (6 hours)

ECON-2090	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ECON-2100	Principles of Microeconomics	3

Geography (3 hours)

NASC-2300	World Regional Geography	3
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Total Hours **54**

Suggested Sequence of Courses for a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Social Science (non-teaching)

Course	Title	Hours
Freshman Year		
First Semester		
ENGL-1010	English Composition	3
THEO-1100	Introduction to Theology	3
Foreign Language		4
MATH-1220	Introductory Statistics	4
EXSC-1115	Wellness for Life	1
Hours		15
Second Semester		
SOCI-1000	Introduction to Sociology	3
ENGL-1020	Introduction to Literature	3
Aesthetic Foundation		3
Foreign Language		4
EXSC Fitness Course		1
POLS-1100	Fundamentals of Politics	3
Hours		17
Sophomore Year		
First Semester		
HIST-1300	United States History to 1865	3
HIST-1100	World Civilization to 1500	3
PHIL-2100	Principles of Nature	3
Natural World Foundation		4
NASC-2300	World Regional Geography	3
Hours		16
Second Semester		
HIST-1380	United States History Since 1865	3
Faith Foundation		3
POLS-1800	Principles of American Government	3
Philosophical Inquiry Foundation		3
HIST-1101	World Civilization Since 1500	3
Hours		15
Junior Year		
First Semester		
SOCI-3250	Race & Ethnicity	3
Political Science Elective		3
Faith Foundation		3
PSYC-1000	General Psychology	3
History Elective		3
Hours		15
Second Semester		
Natural World Foundation		4
ECON-2090	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
Visual Communication		3
Philosophical Inquiry Foundation		3
Written Communication		3
Hours		16

Senior Year

First Semester

Written Communication		3
Oral Communication		3
ECON-2100	Principles of Microeconomics	3
HIST-3300	History of Kansas	3
SOSC-COMP	Senior Comprehensive Exam	NULL
History Electives		6
Hours		18

Second Semester

Electives		10
History Electives		6
Hours		16
Total Hours		128