SECONDARY EDUCATION SOCIAL STUDIES, B.SOSC.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus
End Campus: Harrisburg

Degree Requirements
For the Bachelor of Social Science degree in Secondary Education Social Studies, a minimum of 122 credits is required:

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21 of the 45 credits for General Education are included in the Requirements for the Major. This includes: 6 credits of GH courses, 6 credits of GQ courses, 3 credits of GN courses, 6 credits of GS courses.

General Education
Connecting career and curiosity, the General Education curriculum provides the opportunity for students to acquire transferable skills necessary to be successful in the future and to thrive while living in interconnected contexts. General Education aids students in developing intellectual curiosity, a strengthened ability to think, and a deeper sense of aesthetic appreciation. These are requirements for all baccalaureate students and are often partially incorporated into the requirements of a program. For additional information, see the General Education Requirements (https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-education/baccalaureate-degree-general-education-program/) section of the Bulletin and consult your academic adviser.

The keystone symbol appears next to the title of any course that is designated as a General Education course. Program requirements may also satisfy General Education requirements and vary for each program.

Foundations (grade of C or better is required.)
- Quantification (GQ): 6 credits
- Writing and Speaking (GWS): 9 credits

Knowledge Domains
- Arts (GA): 6 credits
- Health and Wellness (GHW): 3 credits
- Humanities (GH): 6 credits
- Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS): 6 credits
- Natural Sciences (GN): 9 credits

Integrative Studies (may also complete a Knowledge Domain requirement)
- Inter-Domain or Approved Linked Courses: 6 credits

University Degree Requirements
First Year Engagement
All students enrolled in a college or the Division of Undergraduate Studies at University Park, and the World Campus are required to take 1 to 3 credits of the First-Year Seminar, as specified by their college First-Year Engagement Plan.

Other Penn State colleges and campuses may require the First-Year Seminar; colleges and campuses that do not require a First-Year Seminar provide students with a first-year engagement experience.

First-year baccalaureate students entering Penn State should consult their academic adviser for these requirements.

Cultures Requirement
6 credits are required and may satisfy other requirements
- United States Cultures: 3 credits
- International Cultures: 3 credits

Writing Across the Curriculum
3 credits required from the college of graduation and likely prescribed as part of major requirements.

Total Minimum Credits
A minimum of 120 degree credits must be earned for a baccalaureate degree. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 credits. Students should consult with their college or department adviser for information on specific credit requirements.

Quality of Work
Candidates must complete the degree requirements for their major and earn at least a 2.00 grade-point average for all courses completed within their degree program.

Limitations on Source and Time for Credit Acquisition
The college dean or campus chancellor and program faculty may require up to 24 credits of course work in the major to be taken at the location or in the college or program where the degree is earned. Credit used toward degree programs may need to be earned from a particular source or within time constraints (see Senate Policy 82-44 (http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#82-44)). For more information, check the Suggested Academic Plan for your intended program.

Requirements for the Major
To graduate, a student enrolled in the major must earn a grade of C or better in each course designated by the major as a C-required course, as specified by Senate Policy 82-44 (http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#82-44). For additional information, check the Suggested Academic Plan for your intended program.

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EDUC 490  Student Teaching  12
GEOG 40  World Regional Geography  3
GEOG 128  Geography of International Affairs  3
HDFS 239  Adolescent Development  3
HIST 20  American Civilization to 1877  3
HIST 21  American Civilization Since 1877  3
HIST 320  Contemporary World History and Issues  3
PLSC 1  American Politics: Principles, Processes and Powers  3
PSYCH 100  Introductory Psychology  3
SOC 1  Introductory Sociology  3

**Additional Courses**
ECON 104  Introductory Macroeconomic Analysis and Policy  3
or ECON 14  Principles of Economics
Select 3 credits from the following:
- HIST 1  Western Civilization I
- HIST 2  Western Civilization II
- HIST 10  World History to 1500
- HIST 11  World History since 1500

**Additional Courses: Require a grade of C or better**
Select 6 credits from the following:
- MATH 21  College Algebra I
- MATH 22  College Algebra II and Analytic Geometry
- MATH 26  Plane Trigonometry
- MATH 30  Problem Solving
- MATH 35  General View of Mathematics
- MATH 36  Insights Into Mathematics
- MATH 37  Finite Mathematics
- MATH 38  Elementary Linear Algebra
- MATH 40  Algebra, Trigonometry, and Analytic Geometry
- MATH 200  Problem Solving in Mathematics
  or MATH 220  Matrices
- STAT 100  Statistical Concepts and Reasoning
- STAT 200  Elementary Statistics

**Supporting Courses and Related Areas**
Select 3 credits of literature courses from approved department list  3
Select 3 credits of African American studies, American studies, history or minority studies from approved department list  3
Select 3 credits of anthropology from approved department list  3
Select 3 credits of political science  3
Select 3 credits of sociology (must be a 400-level course)  3

1 6 of these 15 credits must be at the 400-level, 3 of which must be in sociology. In addition, 3 of these must be US Cultures.