

Major Requirements for the Social Science Major
College of Arts and Letters
MAJOR CATALOG YEARS 2022-23 AND LATER

Note: Many of the courses below can “double count” for both the social science major and general education. Please see an advisor if you have any questions.

I. Preparation for the Major: 18 units

a.) Choose five courses from at least three different departments: AFRAS 101, ANTH 102, ASIAN 100, ECON 101, 102, GEOG 102, 106, 170, HIST 109, 110, LATAM 101, LING 101, POLS 101, 102, 103, 104, PSY 101, SOC 101, 102, WMST 103

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b.) _____ Lower division methods (3 units): ECON 201, GEOG 104, LING 270, POLS 201, SOC 201, STATS 119, STATS 250.

II. The Major: 33 upper-division units

Students need at least one upper-division course from 5 different departments

a.) _____ Required course: SOCSI 300: Social Science Approaches and Concepts

b.) _____ Social Science theory (one course): Select from AFRAS 322, 327; ANTH 303; ECON 311, 320, 321; GEOG 348; POLS 301A, 301B, 302, 305, 406; SOC 401, 403, 410

c.) _____ Upper-division methods (one course): Select from ANTH 520; CCS 402; ECON 301, 441; GEOG 380, 381, 385, 586; SOC 301, 406, 407, 408

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d.) Clusters: Pick two clusters and do three courses from each (18 units total). See pages 3-4 for a list of approved clusters. Students may develop a custom cluster based on their interests with the permission of the undergraduate advisor.

Cluster #1: _____

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c. _____

Cluster #2: _____

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b. _____

c. _____

e.) Electives. Choose two courses from the following: AFRAS 321, 341, 380, 421, 455, 473; AMIND 320, 451, 460; ANTH 333, 348, 350, 353, 404, 410, 439, 440, 442, 451, 460; ASIAN 300, 320, 353, 460; CCS 303; CHIN 353; ECON 464; EUROP 320; FILIP 460; GEOG 312, 321, 324, 336, 340, 341, 342, 354, 370; HIST 404; ISCOR 310, 320; LATAM 333, 350, 430; LGBT 321; LING 350, 354, 420, 452, 454, 460; POLS 300, 320, 334, 336, 347A, 347B, 356, 359, 361, 362, 363, 365, 422; PSY 340, 351; RELS 343, 390A, 390B; SOC 320, 330, 335, 338, 350, 352, 355, 430, 450, 460; SPAN 462; SUSTN 334, 353; WMNST 310, 325, 331, 341A, 341B, 370, 375, 385

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Clusters

Topic: California

- AMIND 420: Indian Peoples of California
- CCS/LATAM 355: The United States-Mexico International Border
- GEOG 320: California
- HIST 445: California History
- HIST 539: Topics in the History of the American West
- POLS 321: State Politics

Topic: Political economy

- AFRAS 320: Political Economy of African Diaspora
- CCS 301: Political Economy of the Chicano People
- ECON 330: Comparative Economic Systems
- ECON 401: Public Finance
- GEOG 353: Economic Geography
- ISCOR 300: Global Systems
- LATAM 325: Political Economy of Brazil
- POLS 435: Power and Poverty in the United States
- POLS 507: Marx and Marxism
- SOC 433: Wealth, Status, and Power
- SOC 531: Working and Society

Topic: Social movements

- AFRAS 422: Modern Civil Rights Movements
- ISCOR 324: Politics of Global Resistance and Solidarity
- POLS 531: Interest Groups and Political Movements
- SOC 457: Protests, Reforms, and Revolutions
- SOC 458: Nonviolence, Peace, and Social Change
- SOC 459: The American Labor Movement
- WMST 530: Women's Movements and Activism
- WMST 585: Local Feminist Activism & Organizations

Topic: Teaching and learning

- AMIND 480: Issues in American Indian Education
- CCS 480: Chicanos and the Schools
- CCS 485: K-12 Ethnic Studies Teaching
- ECON 349: Economics for Teachers
- HIST 410: US History for Teachers
- HIST 412: Modern World History for Teachers
- LING 550: Theory and Practice of English as a Second Language
- SOC 539: Sociology of Education

Topic: Violence and society

- ANTH 443: Anthro. of Violence
- HIST 580: Topics in the History of War and Violence
- HIST 440: Holocaust
- ISCOR 301: Conflict and Conflict Res
- POLS 370: Political Violence
- SOC 442: Homicide
- SOC 443: Crime and Society
- SOC 436: Sociology of Criminal Organizations
- SOC 543: Police, Courts, and Corrections
- WMST 572: Women and Violence

Topic: Health and well-being

- ANTH 402: Dynamics of Biocultural Diversity
- ANTH 508: Medical Anthropology
- ECON 403: Health Economics
- LATAM 425: Illness, Health, and Healing in Latin America
- PSY 353: Stress, Trauma, and the Psychological Experience of Combat
- SOC 436: Sociology of Health and Illness
- Soc 441: Sociology of Mental Illness
- WMST 565: Women: Health, Healing, and Medicine

Topic: Families, children, and society

- AFRAS 331: The Black Family
- ANTH 537: Anthropology of Childhood
- CCS 320: Chicana and Chicano Lifestyles
- ECON 382: Economics of Work, Marriage, and Family
- HIST 402: History of Childhood
- SOC 421: American Families
- SOC 522: The Family in Comparative and Cross-Cultural Perspectives
- WMST 320, Socialization of Women

Topic: Immigration

- CCS 306: Mexican Immigration
- ECON 381: Economics of Immigration
- POLS 430: Immigration and Border Politics
- SOC 555: Immigrants and Refugees in Contemporary American Society
- WMST 581: Women's Experiences of Migration