

BA IN SOCIAL SCIENCE

Units required for Major: 63

Units required for Subject Matter Program: 69-74

Total units required for BA: 120

Program Description

The Social Science major is offered by the departments of Anthropology, Economics, Ethnic Studies, Geography, Government, History, Sociology, and Women's and Gender Studies. It serves both as an interdisciplinary major for the Bachelor of Arts degree and to provide subject matter preparation for the Single Subject Teaching Credential in Social Science.

Minimum Grade Requirement

Minimum grade of "C-" is required in all courses completed toward the Social Science major and pre-credential requirements.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Core Requirements (48 Units)		
ECON 1A	Introduction to Macroeconomic Analysis ¹	3
ECON 1B	Introduction to Microeconomic Analysis ¹	3
Choose one of the following: ²		3
ECON 101	History of Economic Thought	
ECON 113	Economic History of the United States	
ECON 120	Economics and Environmental Degradation	
GEOG 100	Themes In World Geography	3
GEOG 121	United States and Canada	3
HIST 17A	United States History, 1607-1877 ¹	3
HIST 17B	United States History, 1877-Present ¹	3
HIST 50	World History I: to 1500 ¹	3
HIST 51	World History from 1500 to the Present. ¹	3
HIST 100	Introduction to Historical Skills	3
HIST 133	Twentieth-Century World History	3
HIST 183B	California History, 1860-1970	3
POLS 35	World Politics ¹	3
Choose one of the following:		3
POLS 1	Essentials Of Government	
POLS 150	American Governments	
POLS 180	California State and Local Government ¹	3
SSCI 193	Integrating History and Social Science	3
Electives (15 Units)		
Select one of the following (National Perspective, History):		3
HIST 150	Colonial America	
HIST 151	The Age of the American Revolution	
HIST 152	Young Republic, 1790-1840	
HIST 153	Civil War and Reconstruction, 1840-1890	
HIST 154	20th Century United States, 1890-1940	
HIST 155	20th Century United States, 1941-Present	
HIST 156	The Sixties: Years of Hope, Days of Rage	
HIST 157	History of International Relations in the 20th Century	
HIST 159	History of US Foreign Relations ¹	

HIST 160	The United States in Vietnam, 1940-1975	
HIST 162	Social History of the United States ¹	
HIST 163	The City in US History ¹	
HIST 167	History of American Women ¹	
HIST/HRS 168	Images Of America ¹	
HIST 173	The History of the Civil Rights Movement: From Reconstruction to Deconstruction, 1865-Present ¹	
HIST 177	The African-American Experience, 1603-Present ¹	
HIST 178	Mexican-American History ¹	
Select one of the following (National Perspective, other Social Sciences):		3
ANTH 101	Cultural Diversity ¹	
ANTH 135	Indians of North America	
ECON 152	Economics of Education	
ECON 181	Economics of Racism ¹	
ECON 184	Women and the Economy	
ECON 189	Economics at the Movies	
ETHN 100	Ethnic America ¹	
ETHN 131	La Raza Studies ¹	
ETHN 140	Native American Experience ¹	
ETHN 170	Pan African Studies ¹	
POLS 112	Current Political Thought	
POLS 153	United States Presidency	
POLS 155	United States Congress	
POLS 165	Politics of the Underrepresented ¹	
SOC 120	Ethnic and Race Relations ¹	
SOC 125	Social Inequalities	
SOC 135	Sociology of Popular Culture ¹	
WGS 110	Introduction to Feminist Movements in the United States	
WGS 133	Gender & Health	
WGS 136	Gender, Race, and Class ¹	
WGS 137	Women of Color ¹	
WGS 150	Introduction to Queer and Trans Studies	
Select one of the following (World Perspectives, History):		3
HIST 109	History of Modern Greece ¹	
HIST 103	Mediterranean Europe: From the Renaissance to the European Union	
HIST 117	Europe, 1815-1914	
HIST 118A	World War I: Causes, Conduct, Consequences	
HIST 118B	World War II: Causes, Conduct, Consequences	
HIST 119	Europe Since 1945	
HIST 122B	History of Women in Western Civilization, Renaissance-Present ¹	
HIST 125	Modern Germany, 1806-Present	
HIST 128C	British History, 1714-Present	
HIST 129C	Twentieth Century Russia	
HIST 130	The Fall Of Communism	
HIST 135A	History Of Mexico To 1910	
HIST 135B	Revolutionary and Modern Mexico	

HIST 138A	Colonial Latin America ¹	
HIST 138B	Modern and Contemporary Latin America ¹	
HIST 141	History of Africa Since 1800	
HIST 142	History of Women in Africa	
HIST 143B	The Modern Middle East	
HIST 143C	Ottoman State and Society	
HIST 143D	The Arab-Israeli Conflict	
HIST 146B	Modern Japan, 1800-present	
HIST 148B	China, 1600 to Present	
Select one of the following (World Perspectives, other Social Sciences):		3
ANTH 102	The Nature of Culture	¹
ANTH 121	Archaeology of Mexico ¹	
ANTH 143	Culture and Society in Mexico ¹	
ANTH 145	Peoples and Cultures of Latin America	
ANTH 149	Cultures of South Asia	
ECON 112	European Economic History ¹	
ECON 190	International Trade	
ECON 192	International Finance	
ECON 193	Development Economics	
GEOG 127	Geography Of Africa	
GEOG 128	Geography Of Europe	
GEOG 145	Population Geography ¹	
POLS 130	International Politics	
POLS 142	Government and Politics in Africa ¹	
POLS 144	European Politics	
POLS 147	Latin American Government and Politics ¹	
POLS 148	Governments and Politics in the Middle East ¹	
SOC 160	Asian Societies ¹	
SOC 162	Middle Eastern Societies and Culture ¹	
SOC 164	Sociology of Globalization ¹	
WGS 121	Women Of The Middle East	
WGS 147	Women & Globalization	
WGS 166	Gender and Politics	
Select one of the following (State Perspective):		3
ANTH 128	Indians of California	
ECON 114	The California Economy	
ETHN 110	The Asian American Experience ¹	
ETHN 130	Chicano/Mexican-American Experience ¹	
GEOG 131	California	
HIST 185	California Indian History	
SOC 118	Chicano Community	¹

Total Units **63**

¹ Course also satisfies General Education (GE)/Graduation Requirement.

² Students may also take ECON 181, ECON 184, or ECON 189 to satisfy this requirement. If a student chooses to take one of these courses to satisfy the core requirements, they may not double count the same course toward major elective requirements.

General Education Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Area A: Basic Subjects (9 Units)		
A1	Oral Communication	3
A2	Written Communication	3
A3	Critical Thinking	3
Area B: Physical Universe and Its Life Forms (10 Units)		
B1	Physical Science	3
B2	Life Forms	3
B3	Lab (Note: Lab experience to be taken with one of the following: B1, B2 or B5)	1
B4	Math Concepts	3
B5	Additional Course (Any B to reach 12 units) - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements. ²	0
Area C: Arts and Humanities (6 Units)		
C1	Arts ³	0
C2	Humanities ³	0
C1/C2	Area C Course	3
C1/C2	Area C Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements. ²	3
Area D: The Individual and Society		
Area D Course ³		0
Area D Course ³		0
Area D Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements. ²		0
Area E: Understanding Personal Development (3 Units)		
Area E Course		3
Area F: Ethnic Studies		
Area F Course		
Total Units		28

¹ To help you complete your degree in a timely manner and not take more units than absolutely necessary, there are ways to use single courses to meet more than one requirement (overlap). For further information, please visit the General Education page (<https://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/academic-affairs/general-education/>).

Note: There is no way to list all possible overlaps so please consult with a professional advisor. The Academic Advising Center can be visited online (<http://www.csus.edu/acad/>), by phone (916) 278-1000, or email (advising@csus.edu).

² Students may select an elective within the major that satisfy this upper division GE area.

³ Required in Major; also satisfies GE.

Graduation Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Graduation Requirements (required by CSU) (3 Units)		
American Institutions: U.S. History ²		0
American Institutions: U.S. Constitution & CA Government ²		0
Writing Intensive (WI) ³		3
Graduation Requirements (required by Sacramento State) (9 Units)		
English Composition II		3

Race and Ethnicity in American Society (RE) ⁴	0
Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement ⁴	6

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² Required in Major; also satisfies Graduation Requirement.

³ Students may select an elective within the major that is a Writing Intensive course.

⁴ If not satisfied before entering Sacramento State, it may be satisfied in General Education Area C2 (Humanities). "C- or better required." The alternative methods for satisfying the Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement are described here: <https://www.csus.edu/college/arts-letters/world-languages-literatures/foreign-language-requirement.html>

The following roadmaps are sample planning resources. Please consult your academic advisor and Academic Catalog for graduation requirements as you develop your individualized academic plan.

Social Science, BA: 4-Year Roadmap

Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
First Semester		
ECON 1A	Introduction to Macroeconomic Analysis	3
HIST 17A	United States History, 1607-1877	3
GE Area 1B - Critical Thinking ²		3
GE Area 1C - Oral Communication ²		3
GE Area 3B - Humanities ²		3
Units		15
Second Semester		
HIST 17B	United States History, 1877-Present	3
POLS 1 or POLS 150	Essentials Of Government ³ or American Governments	3
GE Area 1A - English Composition ²		3
GE Area 2 - Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning ²		3
GE Area 6 - Ethnic Studies ²		3
Units		15
Year 2		
First Semester		
ECON 1B	Introduction to Microeconomic Analysis	3
ENGL 20	College Composition II	3
HIST 50	World History I: to 1500	3
HIST 51	World History from 1500 to the Present.	3
GE Area 5A - Physical Science ²		3
GE Area 5C - Laboratory ²		1
Units		16
Second Semester		
HIST 133	Twentieth-Century World History	3
POLS 35	World Politics	3
GE Area 3A - Arts ²		3

GE Area 5B - Biological Science ²	3	
Foreign Language Semester 1 ²	4	
Units		16

Year 3		
First Semester		
ECON 101 or ECON 113 or ECON 120	History of Economic Thought ³ or Economic History of the United States or Economics and Environmental Degradation	3
GEOG 100	Themes In World Geography	3
HIST 183B	California History, 1860-1970	3
Writing Intensive ²		3
Foreign Language Semester 2 ²		4
Units		16

Second Semester		
GEOG 121	United States and Canada	3
POLS 180	California State and Local Government	3
National Perspectives, History Elective ³		3
Upper Division GE Area 3 - Arts or Humanities ²		3
Elective of Choice (EDUC 100A & EDUC 100B recommended for Single Subject Teaching Credential) ³		3
Units		15

Year 4		
First Semester		
National Perspective, Other Social Sciences Elective ³		3
World Perspectives, History Elective ³		3
Upper Division GE Area 5 or 2 - Science or Mathematical Concepts/Quantitative Reasoning ²		3
Elective of Choice (PUBH 136 recommended for Single Subject Teaching Credential) ³		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		15

Second Semester		
HIST 100	Introduction to Historical Skills	3
SSCI 193	Integrating History and Social Science	3
World Perspectives, Other Social Sciences Elective ³		3
State Perspectives Elective ³		3
Elective of Choice (EDUC 170 recommended for Single Subject Teaching Credential) ³		3
Units		15

Total Units 123

Social Science, BA: 2-Year Roadmap

Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
First Semester		
ECON 101 or ECON 113 or ECON 120	History of Economic Thought ³ or Economic History of the United States or Economics and Environmental Degradation	3
GEOG 100	Themes In World Geography	3
HIST 133	Twentieth-Century World History	3
HIST 183B	California History, 1860-1970	3
Foreign Language Semester 1 ²		4
Units		16
Second Semester		
GEOG 121	United States and Canada	3
POLS 180	California State and Local Government	3

National Perspectives, History Elective ³	3
Upper Division GE Area 3 - Arts or Humanities + Writing Intensive ²	3
Foreign Language Semester 2 ²	4
Units	16
Year 2	
First Semester	
National Perspective, Other Social Science Elective ³	3
World Perspectives, History Elective ³	3
Upper Division GE Area 5 or 2 - Science or Mathematical Concepts/Quantitative Reasoning ²	3
Elective of Choice (EDUC 100A & EDUC 100B recommended for Single Subject Teaching Credential) ³	3
Elective of Choice (PUBH 136 recommended for Single Subject Teaching Credential) ³	3
Units	15
Second Semester	
HIST 100 Introduction to Historical Skills	3
SSCI 193 Integrating History and Social Science	3
World Perspectives, Other Social Science Elective ³	3
State Perspectives Elective ³	3
Elective of Choice (EDUC 170 recommended for Single Subject Teaching Credential) ³	3
Units	15
Total Units	62

¹. Any course not completed in the first semester should be taken in the second or a later semester.

². Please see General Education/Graduation Requirement **course options** (https://www.csus.edu/academic-affairs/curriculum-%20workflow/_internal/_documents/program-road-maps/als_2yr/art_transfer-%20roadmap-2024-25.pdf).

³. Please see an academic advisor for elective options.