

# SOCIAL SCIENCE, BA/BS

## Program Description

The social science degree equips students with the knowledge and skills necessary to be effective citizens and to have rewarding careers in a wide range of employment settings, in both the public and private sectors.

The **Academic Minor** option provides students with the opportunity to complete an additional set of courses within a discipline of interest and relevance to their career goals.

The **Secondary Teaching Concentration** leads to a Michigan secondary (grades 6 – 12) teaching certificate with a Social Studies endorsement.

## Program Learning Outcomes

- **Historical Movements** – Students will be able to synthesize major historical movements and their impact on democratic thought and participation.
- **Environment** – Students will discuss the impact of humans on our environment and how our environment impacts our choices and behaviors.
- **Political System** – Students will be able to communicate the complexities of the American political system through a discussion of how it is affected by the world political system and how it in turn affects the global political system.
- **Global Economy** – Students will apply knowledge about global and persona economic decisions to encourage students to understand the interconnected nature of a global economy.
- **Civic Responsibility** – Students demonstrate democratic values and civic responsibility through an understanding of social science research methods and the ability to see current issues as developments from our shared history.
- **Instructional Choices (for Sec. Teaching Conc.)** – Students will make instructional choices that consider historical perspectives and developments that highlight the interconnected nature of economics, geography, and political science.

## Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Economics</b>		
ECON 201	Principles Macroeconomics	3
ECON 202	Principles Microeconomics	3
<b>Geography</b>		
GEOG 201	World Regional Geography	4
GEOG 306	Cultural Geography	3
<b>History</b>		
HIST 101	History World Civilization I	4
HIST 102	History World Civilization II	4
HIST 131	United States History I	4
HIST 132	United States History II	4
HIST 250	The Atlantic World	3
HIST 316	Europe in the 20th Century	4
HIST 321	History of Michigan	2
<b>Political Science</b>		
POLI 110	Intro American Govt/Politics	4
POLI 241	Intro International Relations	4

POLI 367	Congress and the Presidency	4
<b>Methods and Research</b>		
POLI 202	Soph Sem Political Res & Stats	3
HIST 296	Historical Methods	2
HIST 497	Senior Seminar in History	2
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>57</b>

## Minor or Concentration

**Complete one of the following:**

**Academic Minor:** Select an approved minor, to be completed with a minimum of 20 credits as listed in the catalog. The Academic Minor may not be History or Political Science. Complete Social Science Cognates.

**Secondary Teaching Concentration:** Complete Professional Education Sequence and Education Cognates – See Secondary Education.

**General Education:** All LSSU bachelor's degree candidates must complete the LSSU General Education Requirements.

**Bachelor of Arts degree (6-8 credits):** One year of a modern language other than English. If taken at LSSU, this would be OJIB 130 Ojibwe Lang I Anishinaabemowin-OJIB 131 Ojibwe Lng II Anishinaabemowin or SPAN 161 First Year Spanish I-SPAN 162 First Year Spanish II. One-half year of two different languages will not meet this requirement.

**Academic Minor Option: A minimum of 124 credits (at the 100 level or higher) must be earned for graduation with a cumulative gpa of 2.00 or higher. A gpa of 2.00 or higher is also required in your Major and Minor as well as in your General Education Requirements.**

**Secondary Teaching Concentration option: A minimum of 124 credits (at the 100 level or higher) must be earned for graduation with a cumulative gpa of 2.70 or higher. A gpa of 2.70 or higher is also required in your Major, and a gpa of 2.00 or higher is required in your General Education Requirements.**