Social Science Education

Department Information

- **Department Location:**
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- **Department Phone:**
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- **Department Web Site:**
  www.ndsu.edu/education/
- **Credential Offered:**
  B.S.; B.A.
- **Plan Of Study Sample:**
  bulletin.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/social-science-education/#planofstudytext

Major Requirements

**Major: Social Science Education**

**Degree Type:** B.A. or B.S.

**Minimum Degree Credits to Graduate:** 120

University Degree Requirements

1. Satisfactory completion of all requirements of the curriculum in which one is enrolled.
2. Earn a minimum total of 120 credits in approved coursework. Some academic programs exceed this minimum.
3. Satisfactory completion of the general education requirements as specified by the university.
4. A minimum institutional GPA of 2.00 based on work taken at NDSU.
5. At least 36 credits presented for graduation must be in courses number 300 or higher.
6. Transfer Students: Must earn a minimum of 60 credits from a baccalaureate-degree granting or professional institution.
   a. Of these 60, at least 36 must be NDSU residence credits as defined in #7.
   b. Within the 36 resident credits, a minimum of 15 must be in courses numbered 300 or higher and 15 credits in the major field of study.
7. At least 36 credits must be NDSU resident credits. Residence credits include credits registered and paid for at NDSU.

For complete information, please refer to the Degree and Graduation Requirements (http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2019-20/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/degree-and-graduation) section of this Bulletin.

University General Education Requirements

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<td>COMM 110</td>
<td>Fundamentals of Public Speaking</td>
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Upper Division Writing †

Quantitative Reasoning (R) †

Science and Technology (S) †

Humanities and Fine Arts (A) †

Social and Behavioral Sciences (B) †

Wellness (W) †

Cultural Diversity (D) ††

Global Perspectives (G) ††

Total Credits

39

* May be satisfied by completing courses in another General Education category.

† General education courses may be used to satisfy requirements for both general education and the major, minor, and program emphases, where applicable. Students should carefully review major requirements to determine if specific courses can also satisfy these general education categories.
A list of university approved general education courses and administrative policies are available here (http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2019-20/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/general-education/#genedcoursestext).

### Major Requirements

#### Teaching Specialty Requirements

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Select one of the following areas (A-C):

- **A. Anthropology (6 cr):**
  - ANTH 111 Introduction to Anthropology
  - ANTH 300-400 Level

- **B. Sociology (6 cr):**
  - SOC 110 Introduction to Sociology
  - SOC 300-400 Level

- **C. Psychology (6 cr):**
  - PSYC 111 Introduction to Psychology
  - PSYC 250 Developmental Psychology

Select two of the following areas (D-F):

- **D. Political Science (12 cr):**
  - POLS 115 American Government

Select 3 from the following:

- POLS 215 Problems and Policies In American Government
- POLS 230 Judicial Process
- POLS 420 Political Behavior-Executive-Legislative Process
- POLS 421 Political Behavior-Political Parties
- POLS 422 State and Local Politics
- POLS 430 Constitutional Law-Civil Liberties
- POLS 431 Constitutional Law-Criminal Justice

- **E. Geography (12 cr):**
  - GEOG 262 Geography of North America
  - GEOL 106 The Earth Through Time
  - GEOG Geography Electives (6 cr)

- **F. Economics (12 cr):**
  - ECON 201 Principles of Microeconomics
  - ECON 202 Principles of Macroeconomics
  - ECON Electives (6 cr)

#### Professional Education Requirements

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EDUC 489  
Teaching Students of Diverse Backgrounds  
3

Total Credits  
91

**Degree Requirements and Notes**

- A GPA of 2.75 or better in the teaching specialty is required for placement in student teaching and exit from the program.

- A grade of 'C' or better is required in all Professional Education Requirement courses.

- A GPA of 2.75 or better in professional education as well as passing the appropriate Praxis II exam are required to exit the program.

- Course taken *Pass/Fail* will not be used to satisfy any requirements other than total credits.

- See School of Education ([https://www.ndsu.edu/education](https://www.ndsu.edu/education)) for admission requirements.